

Homer Senior Center Board Meeting Minutes

July 16, 2025

I. Call to Order – 4:00 pm by Shirlie Gribble

II. Quorum Established – Present: Shirlie Gribble, Alana Greear, Tiffanie Story, Janice Todd, Jen Hankins, Sharm Setterquist, Kolby Bayless.

Executive Director: Sarah Weideman.

Late Arrival: Mike Kennedy

III. Pledge of Allegiance – Observed

IV. Approval of Agenda – Motion by Alana; approved unanimously (voice vote)

V. Approval of Minutes – Motion by Janice; approved unanimously

VI. Appointment of Bill Hand to the Board – Motion by Alana; approved unanimously (voice vote)

VII. Public Comments (3 minutes each)

- **Debbie Turkington** – Concern over lobby rearrangement for pool table; current setup excludes wheelchair users. Requested return to prior layout.
- **Ole Anderson** – Informed the board of a donation from *100 Men Who Care* and recommended attendance at their meeting tonight to speak to this. Alana agreed to attend.

VIII. Resident Council Minutes

- Residents generally satisfied with food; requested more roasted fresh vegetables.
- Interest in adding fishing to activities.
- Two residents experienced hot water issues (now resolved).

IX. Executive Director's Report – Sarah reported on:

- Preparing for FY '24 financial audit and internal housing file audit; updating policy handbook.
- Kitchen galley system ready for inventory.
- Bloomerang volunteer system launching soon.
- Near full capacity; 2 rooms awaiting repair.
- Internal and external audits ongoing (FY '22 & '23 discrepancies found).

- Meeting with CPAs on tax reporting strategy.
- Awarded \$124,242 ADS grant for FY '26; NTS grant decision pending.
- All past due bills nearly paid; Northrim abatement arranged by Janice.
- Capital project planning and departmental budgeting underway.
- Emergency preparedness drills completed.
- 9 new staff hired (6 Terrace, 2 Maintenance, 1 Reception).
- Plumbing repairs completed in two units.

Discussion: Audit by Aultman & Rogers; minor outstanding bill may remain. Still no Bank of America access; FBI investigation now includes 6 FBI and 1 CID agent.

X. President's Report – Shirlie welcomed new board member Bill Hand and expressed optimism for the coming year.

XI. Treasurer's Report – Janice gaining account and QuickBooks access; pending access to First National Bank account.

XII. Conflict of Interest – None reported

XIII. Unfinished Business – None

XIV. New Business

1. **Automatic Membership for Assisted Living Residents** – Already adopted in updated bylaws.
2. **Reduced Membership Fee (\$5) for Seniors 55+ on Limited Income** – Proposal by Nominating & Membership Committee (presented by Tiffanie).
 - Discussion included fee elimination vs. reduction, financial impact, and inclusivity.
 - Motion to approve: Passed (6–2, opposed: Mike, Janice).
3. **Online Newsletter Transition** – Current mailed newsletter costs \$125–\$200/mo; insufficient mailing list for nonprofit postage rate. Proposal to move to email distribution with mail option for those requesting.
4. **Pool Table Sizing** – No measurements yet; tabled.

XV. Committee Reports (set up new committee chairs as follows)

- Finance, Grants & Funding – Janice Todd: None

- Policy & Quality Assurance – Shirlie Gribble: None
- Membership & Nominating – Tiffanie Story: None
- Fundraising – Jen Hankins: None
- Community Advisory – Kolby Bayless
- Building Maintenance – Mike Kennedy & Bill Hand: Seeking building records; from Sarah: \$2M grant application in process for renovations.
- Gaming – Shirlie Gribble: Needs to complete gaming test.

XVI. General Public Comments

- Independent Living resident complaint about loud neighbor's TV; quiet hours policy under review and clarification.

XVII. Board Comments

- Sharm Setterquist announced resignation due to time constraints; motion to accept passed unanimously.

XVIII. Adjournment – 5:05 pm