

# **Board of Directors Actions – September 21, 2024**

There were nine Board members in attendance at the September 21, 2024 meeting. The meeting was held live/in-person at the Sunriver Owners Association Administrative Office and was available for viewing via internet broadcast on YouTube.

At its regular monthly meeting, the SROA Board of Directors took the following actions:

## **FINANCIAL**

- Received the financial report from August 2024.
- Approved the August 2024 unaudited financials.
- Approved a 3% discount for owners for full payment of regular maintenance fees by January 25, 2025.

## **COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP ACTIONS**

- Approved the appointment of new members/alternates to the Covenants Committee, Finance Committee, Election Committee, Nominating Committee, Design Committee and Owner Enrichment Committee as attached hereto.

## **COMMITTEE/TASK FORCE ACTIONS**

- Approved a revision to the Covenants Committee Charter to allow up to seven members on the committee and also allowing non-voting alternate members to the committee.

## **NON-FINANCIAL**

- Approved minutes from the August 16, 2024 work session and August 17, 2024 business meeting and SROA annual meeting.
- Received the monthly Sunriver Service District report for the month of August 2024
- Received the monthly General Manager's report for SROA Departments for the month of August 2024.
- Received the monthly committee/liason reports for the month of August 2024.
- Approved a recommendation to the Deschutes County Board of Commissioners as the Governing Body of the Sunriver Service District to amend the Restated Sunriver Service District Management

Agreement (Deschutes County Document Number 2024-395, approved July 24, 2024 / Effective August 1, 2024) by the addition of an Addendum stating reasons why the SROA Board is opposed to the revised County/SSD Agreement.

- Accepted the SROA 2030 Strategic Plan.
- The Board approved a motion to switch from First Interstate Wealth Management to Morgan Stanley for management of the Association's operation and reserve investments.
- The Board approved a motion to authorize the General Manager and the two Board members to investigate and meet with Oregon legislators to discuss possible legislation regarding the distribution of the TRT revenues and considering factors that would make SROA directly eligible.
- The Board approved a motion for Directors Beenen, Pederson and Banta to negotiate a new 5-year contract with General Manager Lewis and report back to the Board by December 31, 2024.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** An executive session was held at September 20<sup>th</sup> Work Session but not at the September 21<sup>st</sup> Business Meeting.

**OWNERS FORUM - three owners spoke at the Friday (20<sup>th</sup>) work session; no owners spoke at the Saturday (21<sup>st</sup>) business meeting – three owner comment letters were read and/or summarized into the record at the Friday work session on the 20<sup>th</sup>. A brief summary of all comments are as follows:**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20<sup>th</sup>:**

**(IN PERSON SPEAKERS)**

**Paul Lindstrom, 17 Cherrywood Lane:** Mr. Lindstrom suggested that SROA could erect banner signs that include the E-bike rules for Sunriver - similar to those stating that fireworks are illegal in Sunriver.

**Bill Hepburn, 1 Red Cedar Lane:** Mr. Hepburn discussed a need for a Firearms Discharge Restricted area designation under Deschutes County Code to increase safety within Sunriver. He referred to communities/neighborhoods surrounding Sunriver and areas along the Deschutes River where such designations already exist. He discussed the County process/requirements to create such – including a petition that requires 60% of Deschutes County registered voters residing within Sunriver to sign a petition that then must be verified by the Deschutes County Clerk and subsequently presented to the County Board of Commissioners for consideration. He suggested that SROA should champion the effort and take on the responsibility of collecting the necessary petition signatures.

**Cindy McCabe, 13 River Village Condominium:** Ms. McCabe provided comments regarding her suggestion that SROA should enact a requirement that dogs be on-leash on the SROA pathways. She stated that she first brought this up during a report to the Board in the spring of this year and is reiterating now after the busy summer season..

**(LETTERS SUMMARIZED/READ INTO THE RECORD)**

**Mark Vieira, 14 Blue Grouse Lane:** Mr. Vieira's comments were directed to the condition of the National Forest to the west of Sunriver, across the Deschutes River. He stated that the fuel load (dead trees and overgrown vegetation) are significant and that SROA should discuss this condition with Forest Service representatives to see what plans (and encourage) are in place to reduce the fuel load.

**Kevin Mitchell, 9 Aquila Lodge:** Mr. Mitchell's comments were directed toward the August 2024 Board Election results as posted to the SROA webpage. He referenced a message stating that the results showing the top three vote recipients would be posted and that an audit of the vote count would be conducted for verification of the count conducted by the Election Committee – and that the actual vote tallies would be posted. He stated that he is not questioning the results of the election but rather not posting the actual vote tallies (number of votes that each candidate received) is a lack of transparency. He is asking that the Board direct the actual vote tallies for each candidate be posted for owners to review. He also noted that he believes that the fourth leading vote recipient from the election should have been appointed by the Board to fill the vacant position created by a resigning Board member. He stated that he is not intending to diminish the value of Keith Mobley who was appointed to fill the position, but that the effort of an owner to run for the Board should be acknowledged and valued.

**Craig Carver, 7 Goldfinch:** Mr. Carver's comments were directed toward the closure of SROA offices and lack of on-site staff during the recent fire evacuation notices. He stated that a skeleton staff should have been in place to answer phones and provide information. He further stated that SHARC should not have been made unavailable for a public meeting regarding fire information from emergency management personnel. He referred to the recent fire activity actions of SROA as sending a message of abandonment to owners during an emergency situation.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21<sup>st</sup>:**

**There were no in-person speakers or letters read into the record.**

PC: Board Members  
Committee Chairs  
Department Heads & SSD Chiefs  
Sunriver Service District Board Chair