

MINUTES  
SUPPLEMENTAL BOARD MEETING  
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2025  
1 PM – BOARD ROOM

APPROVED

**DIRECTORS PRESENT**

Ron Clark, President  
Jim Collins, Treasurer  
Geri Roberts  
Tony Rickert  
Arthur DeAngelis  
Julie Porto

**DIRECTORS ABSENT:**

Carrie Blaylock, Vice President  
Debbie Caneen, Secretary  
Nancy McCall

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Lyn Reitz, Community Manager  
Alisha Marshall, Acting Recording Secretary  
5 Members

President Clark welcomed everyone to the Supplemental Meeting, reminding everyone that this meeting is now open to the members for the purpose of increased transparency of the BOD in action. Ron also indicated that while the meeting is now open to CA members, we do not typically take communication from members at this meeting. He asked that all private conversations be held to a minimum to avoid disruption to the meeting.

**1. County First Responders Use of CA Facilities per Policy VI. Facilities 6.05 B  
2. d**

President Clark indicated the first item on the agenda is Hillsborough Count First Responders use of CA Facilities per Policy VI. Facilities 6.05 B 2. D. This topic was addressed by Director Porto's IAC (Internal Affairs Committee) as a CA resident came to the Board at a Board meeting and wanted the Directors to review clause d. This specific clause allows area first responders assigned to the SCC area to use the CA's facilities on an available basis i.e., the CA's pools and fitness center. This clause was amended into policy after September 11<sup>th</sup> as a good will gesture for emergency responders. Director Porto stated that she, Community Manager Reitz, met with this individual. She asked Community Manager Reitz to give some background information on the procedures for this particular policy. Community Manager Reitz declared that the First Responder would go to the CA office with their badge and credentials and we would make them their own separate CA badge. This is so that the individual can have said badge as proof that they can use the facilities. The information is kept on file with the CA Office. These individuals must be in service in the Sun City Center area and there have been only a total of 6 over the years and currently only one who potentially uses the facility. Director

Porto said she went to the Fitness Committee to get a better perspective on who actually uses the Fitness Center. Additionally, there are two former volunteer EMS individuals on the committee. Director Porto read to the Committee the following statement that was requested by the CA member recommending a policy change: "the suggestion to drop clause d. is recommended because members of governmental agencies who serve our community are able to use other facilities and no longer need to use our facility because they do not pay for it either through membership dues or guest passes. This would also reduce further liability to the community. There are retirees who have worked for governmental agencies who live here and pay for it either through membership or as a guest." This was read to the Fitness Committee and their opinion was it is a clause that is a goodwill gesture and there is no reason to remove it from policy. It was also suggested, as this also includes the pools, that the Pool Committee weigh in on this topic. As VP/CLD Blaylock is not in attendance and no information was shared regarding this matter we do not know the Pool Committees decision on this topic. President Clark clarified that this policy is for first responders assigned to Sun City Center. Short conversation between Board members followed regarding the pros and cons of removing this clause from policy. President Clark allowed CA member Michael Blaine to speak at this meeting. Mr. Blaine went on to discuss why he wants this clause removed primarily for liability reasons. Once he was done speaking President Clark asked if there were any Board members who supported removing this clause from the policy. Seeing none, he stated that this will not be on the agenda for the Workshop and the policy will remain as written..

## **2. Ball Holders at the Bocce Courts**

The next item are ball holders for the Bocce Courts. President Clark stated that the club president Becky Barnett attends this meeting. He proceeded to say that he will give her time to talk as he is unsure of what exactly the Bocce Club is asking for. Becky Barnett spoke about Bocce and the ball holders they would like to have. She went on to say that the issue the club has is where the club members stand with their bocce balls. Director Porto stated that elevated ball holders would be best. Brief discussion with board members commenced. President Clark stated his concerns are that the SCCCA is an active retirement community, would the ball holders be actually used, it would be an added expense, and it would be an added obstruction if permanently installed in the walkways between courts. Best case scenario is portable ball holders that are kept in a shed and taken out for games and then returned to the shed. The Board asked Community Manager Reitz to give her views on the liability to the CA for fixed ball holders. Community Manager Reitz mentioned once you affix something to concrete you ruin the integrity of the concrete. As it would put holes in the concrete water could get in, it could cause spalling, it would become something to lean on or be an item to grab onto to support themselves. With that she agrees with President Clark regarding a ball holder that can be brought out and then put back. Another discussion with Board members occurred regarding how bocce balls are handled. Temporary ball holders were decided by the Board of Directors. This topic will not be on the agenda for the Workshop as the Club President will move forward to obtain and use temporary ball holders that are returned to storage after their use.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Director Porto, seconded by Director Rickert. The meeting ended at 1:21 PM with the general consent of the Board members.

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