

## SEMARA Board of Directors Meeting 9-30-2023

Meeting called to order by President Marcel Dumont at 1010 AM

Present were Marcel Dumont, Mike McDonald, Richard Netinho, Larry Ferreira, Joe Barros, J.P. Chiron

Rich Netinho donated and installed a new device from Ubiquiti to supply WIFI instead of using the cable box. This should provide better coverage and reliability. This only covers the club house side and not the radio room. The password is the same.

The CCTV camera facing east on the tower is down again. Rich Netinho said he will replace it with the spare.

Joe Krisnosky asked if there was any progress on the driveway. Marcel Dumont said we are not supposed to do any digging due to the contamination issue, he also said he spoke to Blue Sky and their representative said they had work to do on the tower and would look at it. AT&T will also be doing work on the tower to upgrade their equipment.

Alan Costello was here on Thursday (9-28-23) and started working on the big beam on the club tower but still has to fabricate an adapter plate for the rotor to correct the bolt pattern difference. He was supposed to return on Saturday to climb the cell tower to fix the 220 repeater antenna and cable but cancelled due to the weather.

Marcel Dumont mentioned that he received an emailed letter from Blue Sky looking for a perpetual easement around and to access the tower for a onetime fee of \$517,000. The offer will expire on October 6 if not acted on. Marcel said he needs to talk to the club lawyer next week to review it.

Marcel Dumont said he talked to the contractor that did the siding on the building to look at the corners to address issues with the siding.

Mike hasn't made any decisions on changing banks yet. He will wait for the October business meeting to bring it up again. Larry said he talked to Paul Sadek who has several business accounts with Webster bank but he had not received any correspondence about the fees to cash checks and account minimum balances like the club received.

Marcel said he wants to put everyone's email address on the club discussion list so everyone gets the messages he sends out. If someone doesn't want to receive the emails then they can opt out but the club needs a way to get the information out to the members. He needs to get together with Mike Ponte and Rick Cabral for others, like him, to access the web site to make changes because no one other than them can make changes.

Larry Ferreira mentioned the excess club equipment; Marcel said we need to make a new list since the original list was made by another member that is not available.

Mike McDonald mentioned that the VISA gift cards have a \$6.95 activation fee and adding that to the card amount exceeded the amount the club authorized for the purchase. Joe Barros suggested checking with Amazon to see if they charge the fee on gift cards purchase from them or just buy an Amazon gift card.

Mike mentioned he received a letter from the water department to schedule an appointment to have the water meter changed. Marcel said he would handle it.

Larry Ferreira mentioned scheduling an audit of the club finances. Mike has the check books available; he also has the hard copy and the computer Quicken copies of the financials. He will bring in the books after the next business meeting.

Rich Netinho mentioned that the web site address was just renewed with Network solutions by Rick Cabral for another 3 years for \$122.97.

J.P. Chiron mentioned doing a food spread for the December pre Christmas meeting. This will be brought up at the October business meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 11:16 AM