

# Bills Creek Community Center Minutes

February 10, 2026 called to order at 6:31 pm

Board Members in attendance: Chuck Landever, Shirley Landever, Clif Swan, David Ray, Carol Hayhoe and Maria Deckert. Special guests were Mike Hager ( past NC State Representative) and Lori Hardin

17 total in attendance

January meeting was cancelled; therefore, minute reading was deferred.

## Treasures Report by Shirley Landever:

January starting treasury amount was \$55,776.54 After donations and expenditures the current community total is \$56,194.49

New board officers, Clif Swan, VP and Carol Hayhoe, Secretary, were introduced. Dave Ray will remain on the Board as a Member-at-Large.

## Continuing Business:

Julia Hampton, who manages the Bills Creek Medical Closet, stated that all is running smoothly for supplies coming in and out. Thank you notes and donations have been received

The dog park has been busy and running well. The only issue is the trash can is being utilized for personal trash on occasion.

The potential addition of a 12x 14 storage area added to the building have a preliminary plan worked up. It will be designed to hold the chairs and provide more space for the rental area. A grant will be applied for

by March 1<sup>st</sup> which would supply approximately 80% of the needed funds for construction.

It was decided that the propane tank would be returned since it is infrequently used. The security camera was installed and is utilizing the hot spot Wi-Fi due to some outside gravel vandalism...several possibilities were discussed for better WIFI and cell service.

The solar grant is moving forward with the Land and Sky Foundation. It will be an 8-Kilowatt system with a full battery panel on the back wall of the building. Solar panels will be next to the dog park on the hill. June 15<sup>th</sup> is the estimated start of construction.

A dehumidifier was installed and concrete quotes are being done to replace the deteriorating steps and add a flat area by the basketball court.

Special Guests Mike Hager and Lori Hardin gave an update on the Tiny Home Communities being proposed nearby. Several areas are under contract, but with contingencies during due diligence. Particular concerns are water and sewer resources as well as police and fire services available with a vastly increase in population. It was pointed out that it will be very important to attend the County Commission meetings on the first Monday of the month and contact state representatives.

#### New Business:

1/ It was decided that a \$100.00 donation would be given for the Lions Club Golf Tournament Hole.

2/ Chuck is looking for ideas on how to increase rentals as they are down so far this year.

3/There was a discussion on developing a potential scholarship for area high school students for College and Trade Programs. Further discussion will take place in the future.

Shirley brought up the potential for getting an electrician to rewire the building, possibly before the solar panels work is completed.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm

Next Meeting – Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30