



**Board Meeting Minutes  
Casa del Cielo Pool Ramada  
Monday, February 27, 2023 at 5 pm**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Tom Krebs, Debby Castro, Paula Hoff, Ginny Bertoncino and Kathy Hippensteel

**HOMEOWNERS PRESENT:** Carmen Padgett, Shirley Ekvall, Frieda Vogel, Randy Vogel, Marcia Cherry, Mike Wolfe, Leslye Lebakken

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Casa del Cielo Board President Tom Krebs at 5 pm.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes of January 23, 2023, Annual Meeting were previously approved by the board via email and are posted at [www.casadelcieloscottsdale.com](http://www.casadelcieloscottsdale.com).

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Tom opened the meeting by introducing the board members and their positions for 2023: Debby Castro, Vice President; Paula Hoff, Treasurer; Ginny Bertoncino, Member-at-Large & Social; Kathy Hippensteel, Secretary & Communications; and Tom Krebs, President & ACC. Krebs requested that residents hold any comments and questions until the end and during the Homeowners Forum. He asked that residents raise their hands, and state their name and address before speaking. Remaining respectful during discussions will be expected at the meetings.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Finance**

Paula Hoff, the Treasurer, reported that it was a smooth transfer of duties from the previous Treasurer Diana Love. The Treasurer and Board reviewed the financials prior to the meeting. Paula recommended the financials for January be approved as presented. **Debby Castro motioned to approve January's financials and Ginny Bertoncino 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion approved.**

**Architectural**

There was no report for ACC.

**Pool**

Leslye Lebakken and Mike Wolfe, Pool Committee Co-Chairs, reported everything is in working order for the pool and spa. Receipts were provided for the purchase of toilet paper and paper towels for the bathrooms. Inspections have been done by the county with regard to the pool and spa and passed inspection. Recently, new railing covers have been added, the deck was repaired and the pool heater was fixed, which took a while but was under warranty. The pool needed a new anoid, which was done after the heater was repaired. Leslye noted she will not be available beginning March 21<sup>st</sup> and requested all pool concerns/questions be directed to Mike Wolfe.

**Landscape**

Randy Vogel, Landscape Committee Chair, reported that the lawns have been fertilized, 42 Olive trees were trimmed and topped, and a Palo Verde tree was removed at 9290 N. 100<sup>th</sup> Place due to storm damage. 85 Olive trees are scheduled to be sprayed on March 7<sup>th</sup>. Signs will be set out notifying residents. Frost damage on shrubs has been limited so far, and any trimming of frost damage will be scheduled for late March and early April since frost damage still provides protection should there be a freeze in the next several weeks. Desert Villa is in contact with the resident at 10059 E. San Salvador for removal of agreed-upon foliage. Residents are reminded that any landscape changes to their front yard must be approved in writing by the Landscape/ACC Committee before work is started. The Landscape Change form is available online at [www.casadelcieloscottsdale.com](http://www.casadelcieloscottsdale.com).

**Social Committee**

Shirley Ekvall, Social Committee Chair, noted that her husband has refurbished and donated additional blank A-frame signs that can be used to notify the community of events. The new A-frames can be easily written on and wiped off. They will be stored in the kitchen for groups to use. The social committee recently met and has planned out events for the year. She will be getting that information out shortly. She requested approval for the Holiday Social to take place this year on Wednesday, December 6, 2023 at Scottsdale Ranch Community Center. **Ginny Bertoncino made a motion to approve, and Debby Castro 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion approved.**

### **Social Committee (Cont.)**

Residents were reminded if they would like to receive information about upcoming Casa del Cielo social events, please send her your email at [cdcsocial19@gmail.com](mailto:cdcsocial19@gmail.com) to be added to the list. The Social Committee is also looking for more residents to help on the committee. Please let Shirley know if you are interested in helping. Requests for help will be included in the newsletter also.

### **Communication**

Kathy Hippensteel, Communications Chair, noted that she will be getting a new board and committee roster out to the board and committee chairs for their reference. She reported that so far one resident requested help picking fruit and she was able to connect them with a volunteer. She reminded those present that if they have helpful information for the newsletter to please let her know.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None to report.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Paula Hoff said she will be Chairing the Neighborhood Watch Committee and already has met a few residents interested in volunteering. She will have more information at the next meeting. Kathy Hippensteel noted we have been trying to get the Neighborhood Watch program started for a few years and that she has names of residents who had previously volunteered that she will forward to Paula.

A discussion was held about forming a Welcome Committee to welcome new residents. Ginny Bertoncino recommended it fall under the Social Committee. Shirley Ekvall asked for Kathy Hippensteel to send her any new homeowner's contact information so the committee can begin reaching out to them, making them feel welcome in the community and possibly providing a small gift.

### **HOMEOWNERS FORUM**

There were no comments or questions from residents.

**Meeting adjourned** at 5:30pm

**Next Meeting: Monday, March 27, 2023 at 5pm at the Pool**