Site Plan No. 820170120 Leisure World Administration Building and Clubhouse I

**Appendix C** 

E-mail topic area: Concerns for Leisure World Board of Directors' Authority and no referendum

From: admin@justus.group

Sent: Wednesday, November 15, 2017 6:07 PM

To: Shirley, Lori; Afzal, Khalid; Findley, Steve; Axler, Ed; Rubin, Carol

Cc: justus organization; natalie brodsky; carol sloane; carole portis; carol sloane

**Subject:** Illegally constituted Leisure World Community Corporation Board of Directors - failure

to comply w/Maryland Homeowners Association Act and other laws

Attachments: Pages from 1-31-17 LWCC\_BOD\_Agenda\_Packet.pdf

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#### **Marlene Smith**

justus <justus.lwmd@gmail.com> From: Sent: Thursday, January 19, 2017 3:04 PM

David Frager To:

Marlene Smith; Berenice Sommer; alisa bralove Cc:

Illegally constituted LWCC BOD -failure to comply w/ Maryland Homeowners Subject:

Association Act and other laws

Of course, correspondence dated Dec. 23, 2016, Subject: Illegally constituted LWCC BOD -failure to comply w/ Maryland Homeowners Association Act and other laws as per LW BOD Standing Rules 1.4 is to published as correspondence in the 1/31/17 LW BOD agenda packet.

Having been informed that no correspondence was being published in the 1/6/17 LW BOD organization meeting packet, why, was this this not published in the 1/19/17 Exec. Comm. agenda packet?

1.4 All correspondence received from a lot, condominium, cooperative, homeowners' association, or unit owner/resident received by noon three business days prior to the date of the executive committee meeting or board meeting, shall be included in the meeting packet of the next regular meeting of the executive committee or board of directors.

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From: justus <justus.lwmd@gmail.com> Date: December 23, 2016 9:34:20 AM EST

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other laws

For publication as correspondence in the January 6, 2017 LW BOD agenda packet:

From: justus < justus.lwmd@gmail.com > Date: December 17, 2016 2:12:22 PM EST

To: "LW Exec. Committee" < execcomm@lwmc.com >, LW Board of Directors < board@lwmc.com > Cc: George Leventhal < George Leventhal@montgomerycountymd.gov>, Benjamin Delegate Kramer <benjamin.kramer@house.state.md.us>, roger manno <roger.manno@senate.state.md.us>, brian frosh

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Subject: Illegally constituted LWCC BOD -failure to comply w/ Maryland Homeowners Association Act and other laws

To: Leisure World Community Corporation

Attn: David Frager, Chair

Subject: Illegally constituted LWCC BOD must immediately come into compliance with Maryland

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From:

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Sent:

Thursday, October 26, 2017 12:35 AM

To:

Rubin, Carol; Anderson, Casey; barbara studwell; justus organization; LW Green

Cc:

Sanders, Carrie; Afzal, Khalid; Shirley, Lori; Jude Wikraman Email

**Subject:** 

Leisure World Administration Building

To: Carol Rubin

## Principal Counsel

## Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission

#### Carol:

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Date: Wed, Oct 25, 2017 at 11:56 AM

Subject: RE: Leisure World Administration Building
To: "bbstudwell@gmail.com" <bbstudwell@gmail.com>

Cc: "Sanders, Carrie" < carrie.sanders@montgomeryplanning.org >, "Afzal, Khalid"

< halid.afzal@montgomeryplanning.org>, "Shirley, Lori" < lori.shirley@montgomeryplanning.org>

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Sent: Tuesday, October 24, 2017 4:39 PM

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Subject: Leisure World Administration Building

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Sincerely, Barbara Studwell 14805 Pennfield Circle #307 Silver Spring, MD 301-598-0706

From:

Barbara Studwell <bbstudwell@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 24, 2017 4:39 PM

To:

Shirley, Lori; admin@justus.gtoup Leisure World Administration Building

Subject:

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From: admin@justus.group

Sent: Monday, September 25, 2017 9:46 PM

To: justus organization; LW Green; press and tv mediaf; LW News Committee; LW Board of

Directors; Maureen Freeman; stacy smith; mncpcc@justus.group

**Subject:** Get Ye to the Town Hall - this Weds. 9/27/17

## RESIDENTS TOWN HALL MEETING

Date: September 27, 2017

Time: 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Clubhouse 1 – Crystal Ballroom



# LEISURE WORLD GOVERNANCE AND ITS MIS-MANAGEMENT OF YOUR FUNDS

\$\$ -- Follow YOUR Money -- \$\$

EVERY \$\$\$\$ spent --EVERY action taken by the Leisure World Board of Directors is in violation of the State of Maryland Homeowners Association Act.

## This includes:

The unwarranted plan to construct a new administration building!

Denying our right to elect the representatives: (RP § 11B-106.1 requires the association to 'elect' a governing body.

Allowing General Manager use of our funds for \$\$\$ multimillion \$\$\$ contracts

General Manager failure to pay State alcoholic beverage sale tax that YOU are required to pay;

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From: Rubin, Carol

**Sent:** Monday, September 25, 2017 4:02 PM **To:** admin@justus.group; richard thornell

Cc: Shirley, Lori

Subject: RE: Site Plan 820170120, Leisure World Administrative Building and Clubhouse 1 - legal

action against LWCC

On June 26, 2017, the Planning Department accepted the application for Site Plan 820170120, Leisure World Administrative Building and Clubhouse filed by Leisure World of Maryland Corp (Applicant). Section 59.7.3.4.C of the Montgomery County Code requires that the Planning Board schedule a public hearing on the application within 120 days after the date an application is accepted. No request has been made by the applicant for an extension.

Section 59.7.3.4.B requires that an applicant must own the subject property or be authorized by the owner to file the application. On at least three previous applications for development approvals at Leisure World, this same Applicant has been accepted as the authorized applicant without challenge by the community. Therefore, at the time the subject application was submitted, the Planning Department accepted the application from Leisure World of Maryland Corp as duly authorized.

You are now questioning whether Leisure World of Maryland Corp has the proper authority to act on behalf of the Leisure World community. As I indicated earlier, unless that question of authority has been filed with a Court that has jurisdiction over the Planning Board, I am not prepared to recommend that the Planning Board delay without a request from the Applicant, or condition its review and decision without an order by a Court of competent jurisdiction.

You suggest that the Planning Board's action should be stayed under Montgomery County Code - Chapter 10B-9(e), which provides: "Except as provided in Section 10B-9A [where relief from stay has been granted], when a dispute is filed with the Commission [on Common Ownership Communities], a community association must not take any action to enforce or implement the association's decision, other than filing a civil action under subsection (f), until the process under this Article is completed." (emphasis added). The requirement not to take any action to enforce or implement the association's decision is over the community association, which in this case would be the Applicant — not the Planning Board, as the Planning Board is subject to statutory time requirements to act as indicated above. This is clearly a private dispute that must be resolved between the association and its members. The Planning Board would merely be issuing the governmental regulatory authority necessary for the association to take the next step in its development process. Whether the association can act on that regulatory approval and take that next step would depend on private legal action.

## Carol S. Rubin

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From: admin@justus.group [mailto:admin@justus.group]

Sent: Tuesday, September 19, 2017 3:21 AM

To: Rubin, Carol <carol.rubin@mncppc.org>; richard thornell <cthornell@comcast.net>

Subject: Site Plan 820170120, Leisure World Administrative Building and Clubhouse 1 - legal action against LWCC

#### Carol:

- 1. Please identify/provide the regulation showing: "It needs to be a court that would have jurisdiction to set aside the authority of the Applicant to file the site plan."
- 2. . Montgomery County Code Chapter 10B, Common Ownership Communities

upon acceptance of a complaint - CCOC places a "stay" on any actions contained within the complaint, i.e. in this case - LW authority seek permit from Park & Planning

slk

From: "Rubin, Carol" < carol.rubin@mncppc.org>

Date: July 12, 2017 1:13:42 PM EDT To: justus <justus.lwmd@gmail.com>

Cc: richard thornell <rpthornell@comcast.net>, "Shirley, Lori" <lori.shirley@montgomeryplanning.org>, "Butler,

Patrick" <patrick.butler@montgomervplanning.org>

Subject: RE: Site Plan 820170120, Leisure World Administrative Building and Clubhouse 1 - legal action

against LWCC

No. It needs to be a court that would have jurisdiction to set aside the authority of the Applicant to file the site plan.

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email: carol.rubin@mncppc.org

From: justus [mailto:justus.lwmd@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, July 12, 2017 1:01 PM

To: Rubin, Carol < carol.rubin@mncppc.org >

Cc: richard thornell < rpthornell@comcast.net >

Subject: Re: Site Plan 820170120, Leisure World Administrative Building and Clubhouse 1 - legal action against LWCC

Carol:

in an earlier conversation and email exchange - you asked to be advised when legal action has been filed against Leisure World, "so that should any application approval would be considered "conditional until determination that applicant has authority."

Am I correct that this includes a complaint filed with CCOC, the Montgomery County homeowners association regulatory authority?

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From:

admin@justus.group

Sent:

Saturday, September 23, 2017 8:38 AM

To:

justus organization; LW Green; LW Board of Directors; press and tv mediaf;

cpac@justus.group; lwdogs@justus.group; mncpcc@justus.group

Subject:

Administration Site Pictures...June 23, 2015

# THIS IS THE FLOOD ZONE UPON WHICH THE ILLEGALLY SEATED BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THEIR SNAKE OIL SALESMAN GENERAL MANAGER - WANT TO BUILD AN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING:

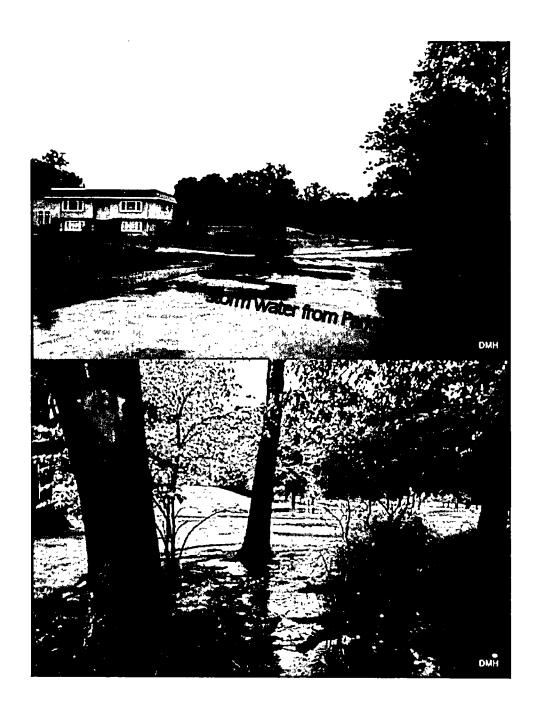
From: Darlene Hamilton

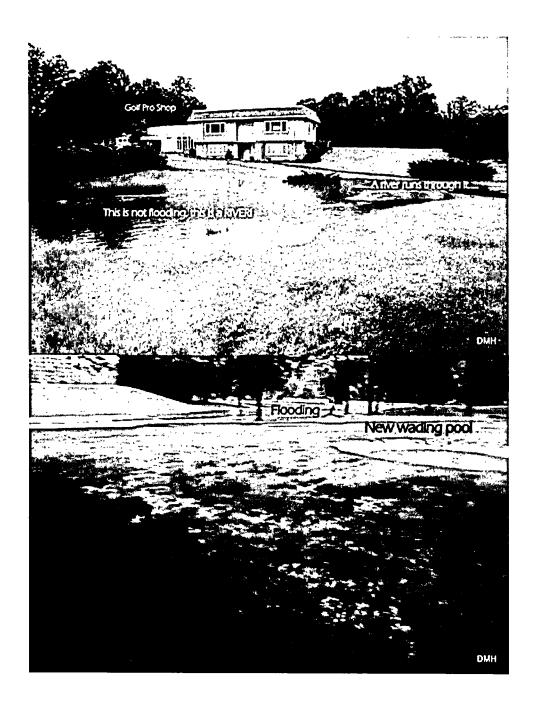
**Date:** September 23, 2017 1:54:17 AM EDT **To:** "mr. longpants" < <u>mr.longpants@gmail.com</u>>,

Subject: Administration Site Pictures...June 23, 2015











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From:

admin@justus.group

Sent:

Tuesday, August 15, 2017 9:07 AM

To:

David Frager; Carole Portis; crystal castillo; mncpcc@justus.group; LW Board of

Directors; justus organization; Town Hall organizing committee

**Subject:** 

Re: Books & Records - Admin. Bldg. studies

As was specifically explained to you -- the State requires a Sales & Use Tax account be established in the SAME name as the liquor license holder - MARYLAND CLUBHOUSE SERVICES, INC. - NO SUCH ACCOUNT EXISTED UNTIL THIS INVESTIGATION CAUSED KEVIN FLANNERY, PRESIDENT - MARYLAND CLUBHOUSE SERVICES to establish such an account in March 2017.

The food service contractor Perrie, LLC - is NOT the liquor license holder - and has no such sales & use tax account.

Until you prove that the taxes were paid into this imaginary sales and use tax account, you et al are complicit in Kevin Flannery's crimes.

On Aug 15, 2017, at 8:55 AM, David Frager wrote:

Let me put in in plain English: my understanding is that the taxes are paid NOT BY LWMC but by our food service contractor, whose records are not subject to the HOA. Again, I cannot believe that the state and county would have allowed all these years to go by without taxes being collected and paid by the food service contractor. If you want to continue to raise this issue, do so with the tax collection authorities. They are very intolerant with those who cheat on taxes in any form.

#### Dave

On Aug 14, 2017, at 11:00 PM, admin@justus.group wrote:

your response has NOTHING to do with the subject request.

re: the Md. Clubhouse Services Inc. request for documents — he better "find" the records - else he is a fraud - every one of the BOD will be held accountable.

Flannery must be required to show proof of collected alcohol sales taxes or he is to be considered a criminal who has committed tax fraud.

On Aug 14, 2017, at 10:47 PM, David Frager wrote:

Please remember that the agent, the Leisure World of Maryland Corporation, has the records and that requests should be directed to and follow the directions provided by that organization. Carole - some these request may be more complicated based on the passage of time and the difficulty of finding records that match your criteria.

Dave

On Aug 14, 2017, at 1:55 PM, onomistee@aol.com wrote:

I wish someone starting at the top be forthcoming regarding request. When questions are asked and you truly do not know, then state honestly. We are suppose to be adults and looking out for the welfare of all residents in Leisure World.

Most of us have

retired and wanted a great place to live; however, if there is no honesty, forthcoming of information and trans parency, then what?

Stop the madness and lets work together.

Perhaps, we should question ourselves and thank your "Heavenly Father" we have a place to live!

Carole L. Portis

onomistee@aol.com



----Original Message----

From: admin <admin@justus.group>

To: David Frager < <a href="mailto:com">castillo <a href="mailto:ccastillo@lwmc.com">ccastillo@lwmc.com</a>; LW Board of Directors < <a href="mailto:board@lwmc.com">board@lwmc.com</a>; justus organization < <a href="mailto:justus.group">justus.group</a>; Town Hall organizing committee <a href="mailto:thocom">thocom</a>; justus.group</a>; mncpcc

<mncpcc@justus.group>

Sent: Mon, Aug 14, 2017 1:40 pm

Subject: Books & Records - Admin. Bldg. studies

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From:

Patterson, Patrick

Sent:

Monday, August 14, 2017 2:21 PM

To:

Shirley, Lori

**Subject:** 

FW: Books & Records - Admin. Bldg. studies

Lori,

Here is another email to add to your records.

Respectfully,

#### Patrick M. Patterson

Planner, Development Applications & Regulatory Coordination

http://montgomeryplanning.org/

Texas A&M Urban Planning '13 & '15



From: admin@justus.group [mailto:admin@justus.group]

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From:

Adams, Holly

Sent:

Monday, August 14, 2017 1:43 PM

To:

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Subject:

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