

GVA Special Board Meeting August 2, 2023

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Attendees: Stuart Hack, Cindy Baker, Gail Berra, Sharon Molineri, Lynn Jarrett, Steve and Linda Baum, Steve Larson, Steve Johnson, Jim Brown, Paul Amirpour, John Cornell, Roe Kendall, Greg Lerman, Rosie Ruelo, Robert Stace,

The meeting was called to respond to 2 rules change efforts by Third Mutual Board that affect residents of 3-story buildings.

BBQ's: Stuart Hack, GVA President, led the meeting. He stated that we were there primarily to discuss the BBQ issue and the Third Board BBQ resolution.

Steve Johnson brought up the problem with staff accepting work orders and communicating back to those who need to know if a problem is fixed.

Stuart talked about the current and proposed BBQ rules. Currently only electric grills are permitted on balconies, propane grills need to be at least 10 feet from the building and no charcoal grills are permitted. There is a grandfather provision for propane grills that were in place March 2021. The approximately 60 attendees at the last GVA General Membership meeting voted overwhelmingly to keep the same rules.

Third Mutual Resident Rules Committee voted to remove all BBQ rules for all of Third Mutual and sent a proposed resolution to Third Board for action.

Stuart explained our role on the Resident Rules Committee of Third Mutual. When GVA votes, our representatives share that information with the committee. It is important that we make sure we are correctly representing the majority of our members and that our members do not undermine the majority decision.

The opinions on BBQ rules varied among the meeting attendees.

It was suggested we have residents in all buildings sign petitions, and it was decided to ask our Building Captains to ask their residents to sign petitions to keep the rules as they are.

Lynn Jarrett asked Stuart where we are on insurance and would having or not having BBQ rules have any bearing on our fire insurance. He explained that for now insurers are not asking whether Third Mutual does or does not have BBQ grill rules.

Cleaning: Third Board is deciding whether to reduce the cleaning of 3-story buildings to twice per month instead of every week, in the 2024 budget. To continue to have our buildings cleaned every week, we need residents to let the Third Board know how important it is to them.

It was decided to ask GVA Building Captains to ask their residents to sign petitions to keep the janitorial cleaning service in our buildings on a weekly basis.

Washers and Dryers: Staff is still working on a revised resolution to permit 3-story building manors to install washers and dryers. The GVA position currently is that if it is allowed, only buildings that have had their piping for clean water and wastewater be considered. Also, the responsibility for the pipes must remain with Third Mutual. The Building Captains for building 2400 complained about leaks from their pipes. Unit 1A is really in poor shape along with 2 others. They did not know whether any of their pipes have been lined. Stuart will find out which buildings have had their pipes lined and which of their pipes have been lined.

The next GVA General Membership meeting will be September 14, 2023, in the PAC, CH3. Dan Yost, the risk manager from the VMS staff, will speak on insurance, risks, etc.