

The Tall Pines Special Tax Commission (TPSTC) meeting came to order on Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at 7:58 pm, for the purpose of paying bills.

TPSTC Members present: Norm Gaskins, Neal Menkus, Nelson Montalvo

The minutes of the December 12, 2017 meeting were presented and unanimously approved.

TPSTC discussed a replacement see-saw for the playground at the Clubhouse. The plan is to purchase a galvanized steel unit, with a total cost of ~\$700, including shipping.

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Neal presented some information on options for hotspots and dataplans through Verizon for the security camera monitoring. And, if we can use the Tall Pines tax number we can get a reduced rate.

The HOA will handle developing the scoping and constraints, and then announcing the Request to Bid for the landscaping contract.

Nelson is coordinating getting trees placed by the benches at playground. They should be planted before the growing season begins.

Norm and Nelson will transfer money from the Capital Funds Account, to move the checking account balance above \$5000 to avoid a service fee charge.

The annual check from Berkeley County is expected to arrive within a week.

The TPSTC questions whether the TPSTC can be a tax-exempt organization, and will try to obtain an answer.

Bills were paid:

Check#	Payee	Amount	Balance
			9,263.23
2351	Janice Todd - landscaping	925.00	8,338.23
2352	Cynthia Thompson - Christmas party supplies	34.51	8,303.72
2353	Republic Services - trash pickup	64.84	8,238.88
2354	Charleston Water	35.29	8,203.59
2355	Comcast - Internet & telephone	141.89	8,061.70
2356	BEC	700.61	7,361.09
	1st Entrance Lights	73.35	
	2nd Entrance Lights	155.81	
	3rd Entrance Lights	213.74	
	3rd Entrance Meter	59.37	
	Tennis Court	62.05	
	Clubhouse	136.29	
2357	Melissa Hess - clean Clubhouse	100.00	7,261.09
2358	Absolute Insurance Agency - 2018 community property liability	6107.10	1,153.99
	Cans for Kids balance	+100.00	1,496.18
	Capital Fund Account balance, as of December 31, 2017		72,586.48

The meeting adjourned at 9:28 pm.