

Tuscany Pool Committee Meeting Minutes
August 6th, 2020 7:30 pm

Committee Members Present

Petra Tallman
Britney Durrell
Craig Durrell
Crystal Deelstra
Tiffany Mecham
Cyndi Stevenson
Sally Healy
Charlene Smith
Brian Westover

As this was the first meeting of the pool committee there was a broad discussion of pool related issues including;

- Jumping of fences
- Foul language and obscene conduct
- Gate doors not closing on their own
- Minors under 13 years of age at the pool either on their own or supervised by other minors
- Pool vandalisms
- Pool use by non-Tuscany residents
- Complaints of oversized pool inflatables /pool toys
- Pool use after 10:00 pm

There was a discussion on resetting Tuscany pool culture through education, prevention and deterrence. Ideas discussed included;

- Educating Tuscany residents on the Meridian City noise and disturbing the peace ordinances. These are criminal ordinances that any Meridian resident can report to Meridian Police, the elements of which are often being met when certain pool rules are being broken.
- Create a “pool concerns” email account
- Pool sign that advises residents assume liability if they let someone without a key card into the pool
- Pool sign with Meridian Police and HOA phone numbers clearly listed
- Update pool rule/liability forms for 2021 and require every home sign and return the new form before key card activation. Consider doing this on a yearly basis.
- The Pool Rules sign at each pool looks like a legal contract with a font size so small you can hardly read it. While we understand this is needed for liability concerns, consider having a different pool rules sign outside/inside each gate that deals specifically with the main concerns and has them listed in larger font; Age, Tuscany residents and their guests only, no alcohol or food, no foul or obscene conduct or language, no oversized pool inflatables, responsible for any violations and finally ways to report violations.
- Require people to key card out in addition to using the key card to gain entry. Have the push button covered with a plastic cover that can be lifted to access the gate release for emergencies. This creates a better key card log for researching who is at a pool at the time of a problem. It also creates a log for people who open the gate for people without key cards.

- Clarify and highlight pool rules that allow a resident to remove another person violating rules from the pool.
- Add bike racks to each pool to encourage people to leave and secure their bikes and scooters outside the pool gates. (Discussion of kid who was launching himself into the pool while on his scooter.)
- Monthly pool emails, mailers or flyers?

Additional concerns or ideas noted;

- Taking pictures of kids violating rules and posting their photos on Facebook, Nextdoor etc., pictures and video is helpful when reporting complaint to the police or HOA, but perhaps putting it out on social media isn't the best way to go about it. (We can't legislate this but could make recommendations on better ways to handle problems.)
- Hiring a security company for one hour every evening to make pool rounds and clear everyone out.
- Considerations for keeping *all* pools open longer when the weather is warm.
- How do we enforce consequences?