

Opinion

Response to Globe Letter in Dec 10 Publication

The letter to the editor titled “GRF Meeting,” by Eileen Webb, mandated far more power to “Residents Voice” (RV) than one could imagine. Ms Webb implies that RV consists of “soldier lemmings” who are following the Grundke’s over the edge of the cliff. This hypnotic power that Mrs Grundke apparently has, which forces people to blindly follow her direction, is certainly a figment of Ms Webb’s imagination.

One of the unfortunate “blind spots” in Ms Webb’s field of vision is the fact that all of the information that is provided to RV attendees via handouts and PowerPoint Presentations finds its source in documentation that originates from PCM or the Boards. Perhaps if Ms Webb. would attend a meeting, she could get her information firsthand rather than as hearsay from other individuals who fail to scrutinize how our corporations are being run.

Her question, “Where does Mrs Grundke collect those people?” indicates the lack of insight in what is going on in our Home Owners Association (HOA).

Ms Webb! Can’t you recognize them? Those people are your neighbors! They are the ones who are aware of the lack of oversight, lack of transparency, lack of answering resident questions, lack of cordiality by the Board Members, lack of criticism of many actions of our General Manager, lack of fiduciary responsibility, etc., etc.

Just as you view these “soldiers” as ill-informed and disgruntled. These “soldiers” have looked at people like you and wonder why you fail to understand the information that is presented by Residents Voice.

The information that is presented does have some occasions for interpretation and can result in two different views.

For example: The “soldiers” are upset that our General Manager gave \$5.4 Million to his staff as bonuses. Not because he gave them the bonuses, but, because he did so **without authorization by any of the Boards.** We want an audit of how that can happen! And, is this the only occasion where money is spent by our General Manager without Board authorization? How can we be assured of that? Can you assure us of this?

Ms Webb, you apparently do not find this to be objectionable or that it should require an acceptable answer from our Boards. We do not feel that this should go unanswered. Does that make us “ill-informed?” No! It would appear to us that the finger points to you as the ill-informed resident if you cannot explain this to **your** “silent majority.”

Are we disgruntled? “You bet we are!” We are tired of raising legitimate questions and receiving no answers from our Board. The actions of the President of the GRF Board is an example of “rude behavior” and it is not difficult to understand why many residents who attend a GRF Board Meeting, or watch it on TV, are “disgruntled,” to say the least.

Especially when it comes to spending our money without oversight!

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