## **Dana Cross**

From: Dave Bush <akhetequus@earthlink.net>
Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 2021 5:20 PM

**To:** ceberwein4@comcast.net; Board of Directors - Mgmt

**Subject:** Re: Suggestion on the Board's discussion of the maintenance of Laundry Rooms in Parkfairfax

Mark - please place this item on the August agenda and have as backup the Terms of Reference for the Buildings and Utilities Committee as well as any work performed by the 2015 RRC to present a Terms of Reference to combine the A&PB with BUC. Just a note -- the BUC was not formed to replace A&PB -- the Building and Utilities Committee was one of the first committees formed when the Association was born in 1978/79 and was followed three years later by the first A&PB (I wrote the original Terms of Reference for both). The RRC recommended combining the two back in 2016 but I believe the recommendation was not approved, but Claire would have a better memory on that and can explain it better.

## On 7/28/2021 4:35 PM, Claire Eberwein wrote:

Given Suzanne's resignation, it would have been and it is still prudent to ask the full BoD about whether there should be a BUC at all, since it was formed to replace APB and its functions are duplicative. BUC has been a one man band for years and an attempt to revive it is a subject to debate. While AR2 is a big project - it will not overwhelm APB (original to the condo's founding and which can also be expanded) to resume its normal planning functions, given what we have already seen as a willingness to subdivide and tackle additional items.

I would ask that this be a topic for discussion at a BoD in August or September.

Thnx, Claire

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 28, 2021, at 1:53 PM, Dave Bush <a href="mailto:akhetequus@earthlink.net">akhetequus@earthlink.net</a> wrote:

Many thanks for your suggestion. Would you be willing to join a reconstituted Buildings and Utilities Committee which might be assigned the task of reviewing the current laundry room use?

On 7/28/2021 1:44 PM, my email to you wrote:

Good Afternoon,

My name is Elaine Lawler and I own a unit in Parkfairfax at 3531 Martha Custis Drive. I was listening in to the last board meeting and wanted to make a suggestion concerning the laundry room / updates and repair/replacement of windows vs repurposing of the rooms.

>From the conversation within the board, it sounds like most of the residents probably already have laundry in their units (whether they were PFX approved or not).

It would seem prudent to go to the units that PFX does not show as having an approved laundry and validating whether or not those units have hookups installed. With that information the board could:

- 1. Know the exact need of the community. How many do NOT have laundry in unit. Is that number 1,000 or 35?
- 2. Validate that those who do have laundry in unit (but did not put in the proper paperwork and receive approval) at least have them installed correctly.
- Allow the board to have real data for their use in determining whether or not the community actually needs 50 separate laundry rooms.
- 4. Allow the board to make better use of un-necessary laundry rooms, such as the suggestion to convert many of those rooms to extra storage cages and increase income for community maintenance (which is good for everyone).
- 5. The board might find that it would be cheaper for PFX to offer to install the hookups for those units that do not have in unit laundry than it is to continue to maintain 50 laundry rooms across the association. If the board decided to offer PFX installation of hookups due to a decision for repurposing of laundry rooms, you can always have the unit owner opt out if they don't want them installed in their unit.

Although it is a nice amenity to have 50 laundry rooms, it sounds like it may not actually be necessary and it is my opinion that maybe one laundry room per Ward is appropriate OR .... It might be better to have one large laundry room with say 10 washers and 10 dryers as a better option overall.

Thank you for reading my suggestion.

Elaine Lawler

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