

Minutes for the April 6, 2022, Gerald Park Association Board of Directors Meeting Held via Zoom

The meeting was called to order at 6:04pm. A quorum was established. Board of Directors members present were Lisa Catanese, Pam Cropley, Eric Miller, Raymond Perugini, John Petrovits, Syd Seale, and Dave Sutherland. Absent was Kevin Ryan.

Audience of Members: None.

Minutes: Minutes from the March 9, 2022, GPA Board of Directors meeting were approved with no changes. Motion by Eric Miller, seconded by Lisa Catanese, unanimously approved.

President's Report: Eric Miller reported the following:

- The GPA Facebook page has been re-opened, with some new rules for posting.
- Thank you to John Petrovits and Jim Cropley for coordinating the pulling of sand from the lake to the beach.
- A reminder to GPA members that there is no overnight parking at the beach without first asking the Board for permission.

Tax Collector's Report: Laura Young submitted a report showing a tax collection rate of 96.29%. She recently sent out 10 Intent to Lien Bills for delinquent accounts.

Treasurer's Report: Dave Sutherland presented a report on the budget. He noted that he will be moving \$1,000 into the Capital Fund as planned and will send the \$250 earmarked for the summer fireworks to the event coordinators.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Avery Shores Turnover: John Petrovits reported that after the town missed two deadlines to respond to the Writ of Mandamus filing, our attorney filed for a motion for default. At that point, the town did respond. The denied some allegations, admitted to others, and left the burden to prove the rest to the GPA. Our attorney feels he has all of the information he needs at this point. Based on the judge's schedule, the pretrial is set for September, and the trial will be in October.

Beach & Beautification:

- The spring beach cleanup will be held on Saturday, April 23, starting at 9:30am (rain date Sunday).
- The Board discussed whether to remove the hay bales, but they are working to control the erosion. Jim Cropley joined the meeting briefly and said one option is to dig a trench away from the wall to redirect the water. The board will consider this possibility at the cleanup day.
- Jim Cropley estimated the cost of the platform for the shed to be around \$950, possibly less. The shed cost was \$1860, which left \$140 in that fund. The beach fund has \$500 in it. The Board felt that it was appropriate to use those funds and also some funds from the emergency account, if needed, to complete this project, and gave Jim to the go-ahead to create the platform.
- GPA members are asked not to dump sand back into the lake from the beach.

Member Involvement Committee: The committee will meet in the near future to choose a date for Gerald Park Day and any other events. When that schedule is set, Lisa Catanese add it to the Spring Newsletter to be distributed to members.

Environmental: No report.

Fuel Oil Cooperative: Finished for the year.

Website: No updates.

Welcome to GPA: Lisa Lowell purchased and sent two \$25 gift cards to people who recently bought lots in our neighborhood.

Bylaws subcommittee: On hold.

GPA taxes subcommittee: On hold.

OLD BUSINESS:

Coordinate delivery of materials for the kayak rack and shed base: Eric Miller and Raymond Perugini are coordinating this. Lisa Catanese said her truck could be used to transport the materials if it's expensive to have them delivered.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chase Avenue request: The individuals building a home at the east end of Avery Shores had written to the Board asking permission to regrade Chase Avenue, a paper road. They then wrote to the Board just before this meeting, asking that the Association pay for the removal of dead trees and stumps, which would cost about \$3500. Board members formulated a response that Lisa Catanese will send to them.

Budget line items: The Board will prepare a proposed budget at the next meeting. To be added are funds for the increased insurance cost, port-a-potty increased cost, beach repairs, and funds for a meeting place. To remind residents about the budget meeting, Raymond Perugini will ask the former president, Linda Blakesley, to return the signs that were made a few years ago so they can be update with the new date and put up at the top of the neighborhood.

Spring newsletter updates: Lisa Catanese has started putting this together. The Member Involvement Committee will meet soon to choose a date for Gerald Park Day, which will be included. Lisa also will include a note about issues regarding sand and parking at the beach, as discussed earlier in the meeting. Eric Miller said he had a request from the town's zoning officer to ask GPA members not to donate bottles and cans to someone who is collecting them, but Board members agreed that this is a larger issue than just our neighborhood and that it's the responsibility of the town to make this request.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on Wednesday, May 11, at 6pm (a decision will be made as that date gets closer if the meeting will be held in-person or via Zoom).

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm.