

SECORD LAKE ASSOCIATION, INC.

BOARD MEETING

December 20, 2019

### MINUTES

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 P.M. by Phil Dast. Board Members present: Phil Dast, Chuck Sikora, Rita Lewis, Susan Morgan, Richard West, Bruce Plowman, Deb Stover, and Jeanne Ballor.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bank balance is \$2900.88. Motion to approve the report was seconded and passed. There were no new bills.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: None. Motion to approve November minutes was seconded and passed.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE UPDATES: Discussion held regarding status of website. Chuck has called a friend to see if he can help finish the development of the website. Deb will call Wixom Lake's president to see who built their website.

Phil reported that the Eagles have eliminated their newsletter due to costs. He suggested we think about whether we should re-think our plan to have a newsletter printed and mailed. Discussion followed. It was decided that we would prepare our own newsletter. Sandy volunteered to prepare the newsletter with information provided by the Board. It would be emailed to members with copies available at meetings and community sites. Requests by members that it be mailed would be honored. This will be announced via our FB account. Board members are to have ideas for articles and programs at the next Board meeting.

MEMBERSHIP: Sue brought a sample of a larger weatherproof sign promoting membership. The cost for each is \$20. Everyone was impressed. Sue reported that other sizes are available. The sizes and number to order will be determined at a future meeting.

Phil reported that the Eagles are open to having our membership meetings at the Club, so long as we change the date of those meetings so they don't conflict with Aerie and Auxiliary meetings. He suggested that we change our regular meetings to the 3d Saturday of the month at 1:00. Discussion held. It was noted that doing this will enable Eagles members to attend; it also makes the meetings more "township neutral." Motion to move the regular membership meetings to 11:00 am on the 3d Saturday of each month April through November was made, seconded and passed. This change will be announced on FB and in the first newsletter. Phil will notify Eagles.

PROGRAMS: Ideas for 2020 programs were discussed. Ideas include: information about new ordinances regarding septic systems; weed control; DNR; Emergency Planning; regular FLTF reports. Further discussion will be held at the January Board meeting.

FOUR LAKES TASK FORCE UPDATE: Phil provided a brief summary of the last FLTF board meeting. Final tweaks to the purchase agreement continue, with signature expected by year end. Other agreements to be signed include the License Agreement and the Operations Agreement. Four Lakes Operations ("FLO") will acquire electrical generation power assets. This is separate from the assessment district and will have a separate loan and a separate board. Oversight of FLO is the FLTF.

## OTHER BUSINESS

Richard presented proposed changes to the ByLaws (copies are attached to the paper file in Secretary records) as discussed at the November meeting. Discussion ensued. The first issue is a concern regarding whether the proposed changes are procedural or substantive. If the former, the changes can be made by vote of the Board. If the latter, membership vote is required. While there appeared to be consensus that the changes are procedural, all agreed that further consideration was needed. This will be discussed further at the January meeting.

The second issue is whose terms are up in 2020. Under the present ByLaws, elected officers serve one term, which could mean that all officers are up for re-election. In addition, Board members' initial terms were staggered, so the Board members whose terms were one year would also be up for election. Proposed ByLaws would allow the Membership to elect nine Directors, and those Directors would determine who among them would be the officers. The consensus was that this would ensure some level of stability for the organization. The question remains, however, who must run for reelection in 2020. Richard will make further revisions to proposed ByLaws, and all Board members will consider them carefully for further discussion in January.

Next Board meeting will be on Jan. 27, 2020 at 4:00 at Eagles. A motion was made to adjourn at 5:20. Seconded and passed.

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