

SECORD LAKE ASSOCIATION, INC.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND ELECTION

August 10, 2019

MINUTES

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by Phil Dast. All Board Members present. Also present: Gladwin County Commissioners Joel Vernier, and Supervisor for Bourret Township. SLA members also signed in.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS. Phil thanked Secord Township and Clement Township for making their halls available to us.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bank balance is \$2635.87. Motion to approve the report was seconded and passed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: None. Motion made to approve minutes of July 13 meeting. Seconded and approved.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT: Rita Lewis: We now have 68 members. New memberships were paid at the meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT: Rita Lewis: The website continues to progress. At the present the committee uses both the SLA Facebook page and the Secord Lake Facebook page to communicate to the membership and the public. A newsletter is planned for next calendar year.

ELECTION COMMITTEE REPORT: Jeanne Ballor: No report, as the election will take place later this meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

Joel Vernier addressed the meeting. He reported on a \$1.3M program at the County Building, upgrading heating and air conditioning systems and new LED lighting that will all save the County significant money. Several grants are being used to add a public PA system and expand the farmers market. In addition, there is a development plan for a moderate income senior housing development. He will be the County member on FLTF as of this month. The resolution between the 2 counties and FLTF will be signed at the Tuesday meeting.

Bob North has been the Gladwin Emergency Management Director since March 2019. He described some of his responsibilities and then spoke about the Do One Thing program about creating an emergency plan for individuals and families. He has a pamphlet which he gave to the Board; it is also available on the County Facebook page and web site. He also explained the Functional Exercises that take place at the dams every 3-5 years.

Phil announced that next month's program will include talks from the 2 companies that provide weed control to Secord and Clement Townships.

Carl and Phil discussed updates to FLTF. One year ago the negotiations with Boyce began regarding purchase of the dams. That process is almost complete. The final purchase agreement should be

finalized by January. Remaining issues include some boundary questions. The next step will be finalizing the methodology of the assessment district so assessments are fair to all and provide equal treatment. There are types of properties that do not fit neatly into the present system, such as associations and not-for-profits like the Eagles Club. The hearing on the assessments will be in January 2021. The County will review the findings and hear any objections. If objections are denied, there is an appeal process to the townships. The \$5M grant being discussed in local newspaper is the same grant that has been discussed earlier; there is not a new grant. Other grants that are being explored are from Dow and from several Foundations.

The meeting was turned over to the Election Committee for the election. Jeanne Ballor explained the process. Four Board members will distribute ballots to voting members. Three Board members will tally the ballots. The Board's proposed slate was introduced, and nominations from the floor were requested. Joel Vernier nominated Judy Boman for a Director position.

As no opposition was raised to the proposed slate of Officers, a vote of acclamation for those positions was requested. A motion was made and seconded. Membership voted unanimously in favor of the current officers.

Ballots were distributed for election of five Directors. Ballots were tallied. The results showed 37 votes for each of the current Directors, 5 votes for Judy Boman, and 1 ballot that was invalid. Results were announced to the membership.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 11:30. Seconded and passed.

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