

Minutes of the Green Trails Improvement Association, Board of Directors Meeting Tuesday, June 11, 2013

Peter Bakas called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM in the Tree House Room at the Grounds for Hope Café-Green Trails Center. Board members present: Peter Bakas, Lou Beccavin, Pat Coughlin-Schillo, Tony Dolinar, Linda Gilbert, Don Helgeson, Marg Hough, Les Lavin, Roxanne Nagel, Michael Olson, Roger Sassen. Board members excused: Bill Burlein, Vern Goering, Bob Klaeren, and Christy McGovern. Management: Julie Maschmeier. Paula Gleason was Recording Secretary. A quorum was present.

Open Forum: Sign Committee Chair, Roxanne Nagel, introduced GTIA resident members of the committee, Kim and Steve Celander, Paula Gleason, Loria Hartman, Tom Maschmeier, Wally Nagel, Rose and Greg Posch, along with Board committee members Linda Gilbert and Roger Sassen. Roxanne and Steve Celander presented a report of the committee's history, progress and recommendations for replacement of the five GTIA wooden signs. Board members thanked the committee for their research efforts and will further review the recommendations as submitted.

Minutes of the Prior Meeting:

Minutes of the May meeting were reviewed.

Board Motion: Marg Hough moved to approve the May minutes, Roxanne Nagel seconded. The motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's Report

Michael Olson reviewed the May Balance Sheet and Income and Expense Statement.

Board Motion: Lou Beccavin motioned to accept the check register expenditures of \$34,386.55 for June, Don Helgeson seconded. Motion was passed by unanimous voice vote.

Management Report

Telephone log line items were reviewed.

Management filed 33 claims for lien with DuPage County Recorder for Deeds on May 17.

Management reported that Pine Grove and fifty tree rings were treated with Round-Up. Mulch will be scheduled once weeds have been cleared.

Management continues to follow-up weekly with the GTIA lawn maintenance contractor regarding missed/damaged areas.

Management submitted two separate plans of recommendation to the Maintenance Committee for 2013 trail work along with a Piper & Sons proposal for 2013 tree trimming and/or removal.

Green Trails Night at DuPage County Hounds game will be Friday, July 12, 7:00PM; discounted tickets offered for GTIA residents and their families and friends.

Management provided a list of May newcomers. Board Directors are encouraged to call on newcomers in their respective areas.

Finance Committee – Michael Olson will coordinate with management to schedule a committee meeting prior to the next Board meeting. The committee will review the GTIA 2012 audit, budget recommendations and initiate a draft 2014 budget.

Maintenance Committee – Les Lavin reported that the committee reviewed two plans for trail work as submitted by Management. Plan A included some concrete work for areas becoming too restrictive to maneuver asphalt equipment, Plan B was for asphalt only, i.e. without concrete. Maintenance committee recommended Plan A; the consensus of the Board members present was in the affirmative for Plan A. Les noted that he moved 3 or 4 small trees from the nursery to along College Road. Also, Les met with Pat Coughlin-Schillo to identify some of the nursery trees that will be offered to the Park District for transplant within Green Trails Parks. Schwarz Nursery is being contacted to determine whether they will replace the dying 7 to 8 foot pine tree on the west side of College, south of Green Trails Drive. Tree trimming/removal as requested by an Area A resident is not approved by GTIA, however GTIA will request Piper clean out brush and overgrown weeds around that area. Maintenance Committee recommended approval of the Piper proposal for tree trimming and removal of dead trees, in the amount of \$4,400; the consensus of Board members present was in the affirmative to approve.

Communications Committee – Marg Hough will place another article in the Pathfinder asking residents to be more aware and protective of plants and small trees when walking their dogs.

Parks Committee – Pat Coughlin-Schillo will meet with Aaron Cerutti next week to review Park District Evaluations. Pat stressed the importance of Directors to continually monitor their respective Parks. Michael Olson gave a synopsis of the May Park District Board meeting he attended; Les Lavin will attend in June. Don Helgeson asked Pat Coughlin-Schillo to express thanks to Aaron for the quick response to his request to repair a broken sign hanging by the tennis courts in Timber Park.

Nominating Committee – Peter Bakas will announce areas for next election as follows:

Area A – Bill Burlein

Area L – Bob Klaeren

Area B – Don Helgeson

Area N – Peter Bakas

Area E – Les Lavin

Area M – Linda Gilbert

Old Business/New Business – In Vern Goering’s absence, Roxanne Nagel and Roger Sassen reported they will continue to coordinate with the College Square Tenants Association to promote a “Proud to be a Green Trails Resident” event in the fall of this year.

Board Member Area Reports – Area B, Don Helgeson reported he has received numerous resident complaints about ruts and mud in their surrounding area.

Adjournment

Board Motion: .There being no further business, Don Helgeson motioned to adjourn the meeting, Michael Olson seconded. The motion was passed by unanimous voice vote; the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Paula Gleason, Recording Secretary, Signature on File