

Minutes of the Green Trails Improvement Association, Board of Directors Meeting Tuesday, August 13, 2013

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

Open Forum: GTIA resident and treasurer of the newly established Green Trails Events Committee was in attendance to discuss authorization to open a separate business checking account to manage funds for Green Trails events. The Board thanked the resident and will review the request.

Minutes of the Prior Meeting:

Minutes of the July meeting were reviewed.

Board Motion: Bob Klaeren moved to approve the July minutes, Michael Olson seconded. The motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's Report

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

Board Motion: Marg Houg motioned to accept the revised check register expenditures of \$58,928.82 for August, Bob Klaeren seconded. Motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Management Report

Telephone log line items were reviewed.

Management reported 415 tree rings in the Pine Grove and Gazebo were treated with Round-Up.

Illini Suburban Asphalt completed seal coat repairs August 11; overlay and concrete is scheduled for late August as weather permits.

Piper & Sons is currently working on trimming and shrub maintenance.

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

Finance Committee – Michael Olson confirmed that the Finance and Maintenance Committees had convened and created a preliminary 2014 budget that will be refined and presented at the next Board meeting. Among the preliminary changes were an insertion of funds for GTIA sign replacement, a decrease to tree trimming and tree planting versus prior year budget and trail replacement funding was to be updated for the recent review of all trails..

Maintenance Committee – Les Lavin also confirmed that the Maintenance Committee and Finance Committees met with management to review 2014 budget recommendations. Les Lavin and Betty Long assessed the trees along College Road and recommend approximately 20 locations which would accommodate replacement trees from the Nursery. Only two trees along College Road were determined to have Emerald Ash damage and need to be taken down. Another 20 trees from the Nursery will be shared with the Park District. Les also asked if it was time to engage the

GTIA attorney with DuPont on resolution of the GTIA claim for reimbursement. Maintenance recommended that the Sign Committee initiate plans for the back-lit signage as recommended and that they incorporate specific landscaping recommendation for the accent areas as a part of the overall sign replacement program.

Communications Committee – Marg Hough stated she had received a request from a College Square tenant to post an article in the Pathfinder referencing a proposed bike race in conjunction with the proposed GTIA “block party” event. Consensus of the Board was that the article was not consistent with Pathfinder rules. Management requested updated Village Board election results be posted on the GTIA website and that all website content be reviewed for accuracy. Marg Hough confirmed she and the Committee would comply.

Parks Committee – Pat Coughlin-Schillo noted that Roger Sassen will attend the August Park District Board meeting. Discussion ensued as to responsibility for maintenance of GTIA island areas. Management will engage in discussions with the Village on the matter.

Nominating Committee – Peter Bakas noted the committee will meet to discuss open Board position appointments.

Old Business/New Business – Vern Goering reported on Event Committee progress with College Square Mall; they have established a proposed date of the event for Sunday, October 6. The College Square Tenants Association is requesting an insurance rider to the GTIA insurance policy and use of the GTIA entity ID number in order to establish a separate business bank account to accept donations and pay vendors. Activities would include bag games, bike parade, face painting, bike-the-trails tie-in and a band. Food would be available from vendors on a cash basis; no alcoholic beverages allowed. Board member consensus was to research insurance coverage and bank account authorization.

Board Member Area Reports – None

Executive Session

Board Motion: Bob Klaeren motioned to adjourn to Executive Session, Marg Hough seconded. The motion was passed by unanimous voice vote at 8:40 p.m.

Board Motion: Bob Klaeren motioned to adjourn from Executive Session, Michael Olson seconded. The motion was passed by unanimous voice vote at 8:55 p.m.

Adjournment

Board Motion: .There being no further business, Bob Klaeren motioned to adjourn the meeting, Linda Gilbert seconded. The motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote; the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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