

Minutes of the Green Trails Improvement Association, Board of Directors Meeting Tuesday, January 13, 2015

Pending Peter Bakas's late arrival, Les Lavin called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM at Kennedy Jr. High. Board members present: Peter Bakas, Lou Beccavin, Pat Coughlin-Schillo, Tony Dolinar, Linda Gilbert, Marg Hough, Les Lavin, Betty Long, Christy McGovern, Michael Olson, Roger Sassen, William Swiderski. Board members excused: Vern Goering, Bob Klaeren. Management: Julie Maschmeier. Paula Gleason was Recording Secretary. A quorum was present.

Open Forum: A GTIA resident was present to submit an additional petition signed by a number of area residents in favor of the proposed Benedictine Connector hook-up for a short stretch to the Green Trails' path system. The Board indicated that it would further review, discuss the matter and respond in a timely manner.

Another GTIA resident was in attendance to request permission to allow a "community library" box that was installed prior to requesting approval in the common area to remain in that location. The consensus of the Board was to review the relevant architectural application as submitted 1/9/15 and respond accordingly.

Minutes of the Prior Meeting:

Minutes of the December meeting were reviewed.

Board Motion: Betty Long moved to approve the December minutes, Pat Coughlin-Schillo seconded. The motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's Report

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

Board Motion: Marg Hough motioned to accept the amended check register expenditures of \$39,023.68 for January, Tony Dolinar seconded. Motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Management Report

Telephone log line items were included in the Board packet.

Copies of the amended "Violations and Fine Policy" were provided to Board members. After discussion and additional revisions agreed to by the Board, Bill Swiderski offered to include those changes and submit the final document.

Board Motion: Marge Hough motioned to approve "Violations and Fine Policy" as amended, contingent on final review by Peter Bakas, Lou Beccavin seconded. The motion was passed by unanimous voice vote.

Management requested Board members to review two product information sheets as options for organic fertilizer products. Consensus of the Board was that Management should further investigate with the turf contractor as to whether use of organic fertilizer coupled with raising the height of the grass might eliminate or reduce dependence on weed control chemicals.

Management distributed copies of the GTIA attorney's legal opinion on the proposed bike path

hook-up.

Areas of winter brush clean up were submitted to the contractor for pricing.

Parvin Claus completed the removal and replacement of the vinyl tree logo at all sign locations.

Volt Electric was issued two work orders for the electrical outlets located at the College north sign.

The GTIA property owner who has refused to remove a compost bin from the common area, as well as remove nuisance signage from the common area will be advised in writing of fines and actions that will be taken.

Management will meet with the Village of Lisle to discuss a formal reimbursement agreement, an island maintenance plan, Heritage Farms flood plain and sump pump violations.

To date, 2015 annual assessments of \$264,000 from 1,500 units has been collected.

Management sent out four assessment letters in December.

Management will send out six welcome packages for sales completed in December.

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

Finance Committee – Michael Olson noted that the Cole Taylor CD maturing February 12th will be reviewed and discussed at the next Board meeting.

Maintenance Committee – Les Lavin noted the committee had requested Management to obtain Gator rental costs pursuant to trail inspection and minor maintenance work. Hertz does have Gator rentals at an approximate weekly fee of \$1,300, which includes delivery and pick up charges. The committee will look at a range of professional recommendation for deciduous and coniferous replacements for the diseased ash trees. The Nursery currently could accommodate approximately 200 trees.

Communication Committee – Marg Hough - no report

Parks Committee –Pat Coughlin Schillo noted that Betty Long was unable to attend the December Park District Board meeting due to illness; Michael Olson will attend the January Park District Board meeting.

Old Business/New Business – Betty Long asked for Board comments regarding the final copy of the GTIA calendar as submitted. Several suggestions were noted to move four or five monthly assignments to more closely align with real-time activity.

Les Lavin will submit a draft of the Management Performance Review policy to Management for distribution to the Board. Comments will be reviewed at the next Board meeting with an objective to finalize the policy and include in the Board books.

Board Member Area Reports – None

Executive Session

Board Motion: Marge Hough motioned to adjourn to Executive Session, Michael Olson seconded. The motion was passed by unanimous voice vote at 8:59 p.m.

Board Motion: Betty Long motioned to adjourn from Executive Session, Michael Olson seconded. The motion was passed by unanimous voice vote at 9:26 p.m.

Adjournment

Board Motion: .There being no further business, Michael Olson motioned to adjourn the meeting, Pat Coughlin Schillo seconded. The motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote; the meeting was adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

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