

# **Minutes of the Green Trails Improvement Association, Board of Directors Meeting Tuesday, January 12, 2016**

Peter Bakas called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM at Kennedy Jr. High School. Board members present: Peter Bakas, Pat Coughlin-Schillo, Tony Dolinar, Betty Long, Chris Lotysz, Michael Monroe, Michael Olson, Susan Quasny, Alden Snyder, William Swiderski. Board members excused: Linda Gilbert, Marg Hough, Bob Klaeren, Les Lavin and Mark Munoz. Management: Tom Maschmeier. Paula Gleason was Recording Secretary. A quorum was present.

**Open Forum** – None

## **Minutes of the Prior Meeting:**

Minutes of the December meeting were reviewed.

**Board Motion:** William Swiderski moved to approve the December minutes, Pat Coughlin-Schillo seconded. 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:** Alden Snyder motioned to accept the check register expenditures of \$7,455.49 for January, William Swiderski seconded. Motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

## **Management Report**

Telephone log line items were included in the Board packet.

Management met with Village of Lisle Public Works to discuss developing a more equitable sharing of the mowing costs for the area that GTIA cuts on behalf of the Village that are right of way. Further meetings are planned.

In reference to the GTIA resident's request to remove a corkscrew willow from their backyard, as it straddles the resident property and GTIA common area; the tree has been removed and the resident and GTIA cost-shared on the removal.

To date, 2016 annual assessments of \$290,360 from 1,470 units have been collected.

Management completed four paid assessment letters in December.

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

A letter was sent to the DuPage County Forest Preserve Board to discuss the potential tie-in to a short section of our trails.

Management filed eleven Release and Cancellation of Lien forms.

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 a meeting of the Finance Committee will be scheduled in January.

**Maintenance Committee** In Les Lavin’s absence, Betty Long commented that she would recommend a phase-out of the nursery over the next seven years as the need has been reduced. Peter voiced preliminary disagreement but agreed that a discussion on the subject should be commenced. There are currently 80 Scotch Pines and 50 Austrian Pines along College Road and 110 trees in the nursery.

**Communication Committee** – In Marg Hough’s absence, Pat Coughlin-Schillo distributed copies of the 2016 GTIA Committee Assignment sheet.

**Parks Committee** – Pat Coughlin-Schillo distributed a list of 2016 scheduled Park District Board meetings for Directors to sign up as a volunteer GTIA attendee on specific dates. Pat also noted that she will attend the January Park District Board meeting, which begins at 7:00PM; as noted in the Management Report.

**Old Business/New Business** – Peter Bakas distributed copies of a draft Communications Policy, as created and amended by Les Lavin, Bill Swiderski and Peter Bakas. Peter requested Board Directors to review this policy for discussion at the next Board meeting.

#### **Board Member Area Reports**

**Area F** – Alden Snyder reported on a number of invasive plants in the common area on the north side of Green Trails and Timber Trails. Management responded that they do clean out this section from time to time and will continue to do so as appropriate.

#### **Adjournment**

**Board Motion:** There being no further business, Bill Swiderski motioned to adjourn the meeting, Michael Olson seconded. The motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote; the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

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