

Minutes of the Green Trails Improvement Association, Board of Directors Meeting Tuesday, May 9, 2017

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, Marg Hough, Les Lavin, Tom Maslanka, Michael Monroe, Mark Munoz, Michael Olson, Susan Quasney, William Swiderski and John Warrington. Board members excused: Bob Klaeren, Chris Lotysz and Alden Snyder. Management: Julie and Tom Maschmeier. Paula Gleason was Recording Secretary. A quorum was present.

Open Forum –None

Minutes of the Prior Meeting:

Minutes of the April meeting were reviewed. Correction requested under Management Report, page two, paragraph five, in the next to last sentence, the word “resignations: should be “re-designations”.

Board Motion: Michael Monroe moved to approve the April minutes as amended, William Swiderski seconded. Motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote

Treasurer's Report

William Swiderski reviewed the April Balance Sheet and Income and Expense Statement. Bill noted that the Republic Bank CD of \$248,000, was renewed for 25 months at 1.50%.

Board Motion: Marg Hough motioned to accept the check register expenditures of \$36,819.90 for May, Pat Coughlin-Schillo seconded. Motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Management Report

Telephone log line items were included in the Board packet.

Balanced Environment completed winter cleanup which included tree stump restoration, signage locations, accent areas and trail edge (overlay sections) soil treatments. Lawn service commenced the week of April 13th and the first application of fertilizer was completed the week of April 24th. Balanced Environment removed several damaged trees and branches in the common area due to storm damage and saturated soil conditions.

Due to extreme weather and windy conditions the insecticide spray for Zimmerman pine moth was delayed and will be applied to trunks and branches in early May and sprayed at the same time with the fungicide spray for diplodia. All pines and spruces will be evaluated during treatment for signs of any additional problems. Balanced Environment will prune as needed and Management will identify trees that need to be removed.

In April, Management and Les Lavin planted all seedlings, which included ten Swamp Oak and two Concolor Firs, in the Pine Grove. Schwarz Nursery transplanted the eleven deciduous trees from the Pine Grove the last week of April.

Volt Electric repaired seven trail lights during the month of April.

Balanced Environment is scheduled to commence with spring planting and mulching of the five signage locations and accent areas the week of May 15th. Weather permitting, work will commence on the Gazebo area within the next ten days.

In reference to Acct #HF1030, Management received a revised payment program dated 2/17/17 per the Bankruptcy Court; however, as of 5/4/17, no payment received.

Regarding Acct#HF1007, standing water has been reported in the resident's yard after each heavy rain. After an on-site inspection by representatives of GTIA and the Village it was determined that there were a number of factors that contributed to the problem including relocation of roof drains, installation of planting areas, installation of a nearby house addition and recent reconfiguration of the original drainage swales. The Village of Lisle advised the resident this is neither a Village issue nor a GTIA issue.

As a follow-up to the issue reported last month with regard to Acct#WGL142, Management has been advised that repairs are being managed by the contractor's insurance company but final repairs have not yet been started. No problems are anticipated in resolving this matter.

Further to the St. Procopius floodplain update as received from Marilyn Sucoe regarding the revised computer modeling and remapping of this area, Marilyn Sucoe has met with the residents involved to present the proposed grading plans and submission to FEMA and will continue the dialog until resolution is reached.

In reference to AcctsPRM035 and PRM036, standing water was reported at the rear of their properties. Management and Les met on-site with the residents and Marilyn Sucoe to discuss the problem. Several alternatives were considered but ultimately the Village has advised the residents that the best solution would be to restore the original drainage swale to direct water to the street. Management will also advise the affected residents of the GTIA findings.

Management prepared and sent the 2017 proposed summer trail work request to Murphy Paving for an initial quote. Trail trip hazards will be added once spring trail inspections are completed.

Management completed thirteen paid assessment letters in April.

Management will send out eight welcome packages for sales completed in April.

Management filed one Release and Cancellation of Lien forms.

Management will file 34 liens June 1st @7% interest.

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

Finance Committee – No report

Maintenance Committee - Les Lavin noted that after reviewing again the standing water in the common area behind Tanglewood, it appears that this area will require more than the planting of a single Swamp White Oak as the surrounding soil is saturated and the route for the flow of water drainage has been impeded. Due to the increasing number of standing water issues within Green Trails, Les has suggested that we request Marilyn Sucoe to help develop an article for publication in the Pathfinder explaining the Illinois Drainage Standards and indicating how modifications on or near resident properties may contribute to the source of many recently reported problems. Susan Quasney offered to talk with Marilyn Sucoe to put together and submit an article this week.

Communication Committee – No report

Parks Committee – Pat Coughlin-Schillo requested executed copies of the Board member GTIA park inspections forms be submitted to her, with a copy to Management, as soon as possible. John Warrington gave a synopsis of the April Park District Board meeting. Les Lavin will attend the May Park District Board meeting.

Old Business/New Business – None

Board Member Area Reports - None

Adjournment

Board Motion: There being no further business, Michael Olson motioned to adjourn the meeting, Michael Monroe seconded. The motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote; the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

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