

Minutes of Executive Board of GBCA 12/9/18

Present:

Rina Slavin: President, Ron Arnstein: Vice President, Paul Stewart-Stand: Treasurer, Dan Fast: Secretary, Mike Brown, Gerry Sircus, Fred Margolies, Ben Goldner, Drew Orr, Chris Broberg, Carol Nordgren, , Hannah Yates, Patrick dePaula,

Absent: Jeremy Metz

Meeting called to order at 9:35 AM by Rina Slavin: President.

1- Minutes:

The minutes of 11/11/18 Regular Board meeting were read, and accepted as read.

2- Financial:

The current financial report, as of 12/1/18 was given by Paul:

M&T Bank	\$ 67,041
M&T Bank (Scholarship Fund)	\$1021
M&T Camp Account	\$10,554(includes \$10,000Camp reserve & \$7,800 Water Operator salary)
M&T Water Capitol	\$39,826
M&T Capitol Improvement	\$130,917
Total	\$249,360

There are currently 3 members in arrears as of 12/1/18, with 3 members on payment plans for 2018. The members in arrears are: Apter, Burgun, and Rios. Liens are in place on Apter and Rios properties.

Paul noted that he has sent letters to Nuza and Halpert apprising them of the removal of the Summer Property designation, and the corresponding increase in community charges.

Paul will look into waiting until March of the coming year before updating liens in order to save legal costs.

3- Committee Reports:

Camp:

Rina stated that the Board and the community at large need to consider the role of the Camp in the community: is it an integral part of the community, similar in concept to the social committee, or is it a separate entity, which must be totally self supporting. Camp committee representatives are meeting with the Finance committee this afternoon to finalize cost accounting for this past year. With a better understanding of the financial picture the Board will take this matter up at the next (January, 2019) Board meeting.

Beach:

Hannah reported that she met with last year's Waterfront Director to begin planning the hiring of lifeguards for next season.

Barn:

Mike reported that Eric Stand received a photo of the proposed hemlock from the wood mill that does not agree with the quality of the specifications and the sample that was originally supplied, and that Eric is working to fix the problem with the mill. The project is on hold pending the outcome.

Mike also reported that Chris Reitsch will be holding a tag sale in the Barn in March for a charity.

Roads:

Fred reported that the Town scraped the roads recently, but did not address the problem of the gullies at the sides of the roads in many places. He again urged individuals to call the Highway Department about problems in front of their properties.

Social:

Elliot reported that the committee had a good meeting last month and that a number of events are under consideration: a theater night with Albi Gorn; a one woman show; The Bat; a band night. The survey passed out at the last Banquet garnered few replies and the committee is considering ways get a better survey response from the community. On folk dancing: there were requests for more instruction.

Road 4:

Gerry stated that the electronic edition is going out tomorrow, but the print edition will be mailed in one or two weeks. He again urged people to get the electronic version. We still are mailing about 70 copies of the print edition.

Water:

Ron reported that the Branch Street well pump motor, which was under warranty, failed and was replaced. However the wiring to the pump, being old and several times repaired, was replaced, along with the well pump controller. The total cost for the wire, control and labor will be approximately \$3,000. Ron also stated that the 3 year water test, for which funds are set aside, would be completed in the near future.

Environment:

Chris Stated that the vines are somewhat dormant now, although poison ivy was still active. He stated that the best way to really get rid of the vines is to pull them out, rather than cutting them back.

Communications:

Patrick stated that he is working on a survey to be emailed to people in the Colony.

Maintenance:

Drew stated that the general Fall shutdowns have been completed.

Other business:

Rina raised the concept of purchasing oil, propane. etc. on a group basis. Due to the work involved in setting up and maintaining such groups it was decided not to pursue the idea.

Good and Welfare:

Carol asked that if people know of the passing or illness of someone they should let her know.
Lola Metz and Shura Saul are in hospice care.

Meeting adjourned 10:55 AM.

Respectfully submitted: Dan Fast, Secretary