

Minutes of Executive Board of GBCA 1/13/19

Present:

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

Absent: Jeremy Metz, Fred Margolies

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

- 1- Minutes:
The minutes of 12/9/18 Regular Board meeting were read, and accepted as read.

- 2- Financial:
The current financial report, as of 1/1/19 was given by Paul:
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| M&T Bank | \$13,763 |
| M&T Camp Account | \$10,802 (includes \$10,00 Camp reserve) |
| M&T Water Capitol | \$43,680 |
| M&T Capitol Improvement | \$178,476 (includes \$1021 Scholarship Fund) |
| Total | \$246,721 |

There are currently 3 members in arrears as of 1/1/19. The members in arrears are: Apter, Burgun, and Rios. Liens are in place on Apter and Rios properties.

Paul stated that he is still in the process of getting things switched over from our former Treasurer to himself. He rolled the Scholarship account into the Capitol Improvement account.

Paul pointed out that the inflation rate of 3% is far greater than what M&T Bank is paying on our accounts, and that the Finance committee is looking into other options, including changing banks.

Paul stated that the tree work went over the budgeted amount by \$2000. Patrick moved, seconded by Mike, to approve the extra \$2000 for the tree work. Passed unanimously. Mike pointed out that the reason for the increase was that many more trees were removed than originally marked.

- 3- Committee Reports:

Camp:

Ben and Rina reported that in Colony tuition would be increased by a small amount; the committee is looking into other training in CPR and first aid for the staff because last year's trainer made mistakes; obtaining the use of new hiking trails; finding and setting up new campsites. Billy Yalowitz has volunteered to do music instruction and Eric Stand has volunteered to teach how to construct knock hockey games.

Beach:

Hannah reported that the committee is getting information and quotes on new play equipment for the beach, and is discussing the installation of new silt fencing.

Barn:

Mike reported that there has been no change in the situation due to the wood mill being shut down for the holidays.

Social:

Elliot reported that the committee has set up the July schedule and part of the August schedule. Jim Gold will be returning for 5 nights of folk dancing, and the committee is working on getting coverage for the other nights. The committee has been discussing the concept of a community wide tag sale, to be held at member's homes on the same day, rather than everyone bringing their stuff to the Barn.

Road 4:

Gerry called for material and will put a note into coming issues to the effect that grandchildren, nieces and nephews, and cousins of members will be accepted to the Camp at the in-Colony rate.

Water::

Ron reported that testing costs are continually rising, particularly for the 3 year testing. He stated that throughout the state, where a system has more than one well, samples are taken from both and consolidated by the testing agency, with a single test being performed. In Westchester 2 separate tests, one for each well, have previously been done, resulting in double the cost. Ron has contacted the BOH inspector, and is hoping that he will agree to follow accepted state procedure. This will save the community a tidy sum.

Environment:

Chris distributed information on the Bedford Hills recycling and composting programs. He is looking into getting Lewisboro to set up a similar program.

Communications:

Patrick stated that he is working on a more complete system of electronic notification for the community.

Maintenance:

Drew stated that the general Fall shutdowns have been completed.

Lake and Maintenance committees had no reports. Sales & Legal and Road committees were not reported on due to liaisons not being present.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted: Dan Fast, Secretary