

Minutes of Executive Board of GBCA 7/14/19

Present:

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

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

1- Minutes:

The minutes of 6/9/19 were read, corrected, and accepted as corrected.

2- Financial:

The current financial report, as of 7/1/19 was given by Paul:

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| M&T Bank | \$118,888 |
| M&T Camp Account | \$62,688(includes \$10,000Camp reserve) |
| M&T Water Capitol | \$43,691 |
| M&T Capitol Improvement | \$178,564 |
| Total | \$403,830 |

There are 3 members in arrears: Apter, Moledo, and Rios.

Paul stated that the Financial committee is meeting later today, and urged all Board members to review Budgetary matters. Paul stated that Apter has been catching up on past charges owed. Ron stated that he will speak to Moledo and get him to pay up.

3- Committee Reports:

Nominating Committee:

Patrick declined to give a report.

Beach:

Hannah reported that the new playground equipment installation is almost complete. Paul stated that the total cost so far is approximately \$13,000. The mulch will cost approximately \$1,200.

There was a discussion of dead tree limbs, which pose a danger to children and adults. Hannah will take care of this problem at the beach area.

Barn:

Mike reported that the wood has been produced and is drying at the mill, and a deposit has been requested. The deposit of \$2750 was paid. The storage of the wood was discussed. It was suggested that it be stored in the Barn. No decision was reached.

Lake:

Several Board members commented that the Lake level seemed very low.

Roads:

Fred reported that the roads have been scraped twice, with the usual problem of the scraping bringing up a large quantity of stones of varying sizes, which invariably makes the roads worse to drive or walk on.

Sales and Legal:

Jeremy reported that he received an email from the bank that owns the Rios property at 20 Hillside Ave. requesting the GBCA governing documents. Jeremy emailed the Constitution and a link to the documents on the GB website. The Rios property has been taken off the market.

16 Hall Ave., which was listed at \$235,000 has been taken off the market. The Gecaj property at 39 Main Street is back on the market at \$759,000. The Saul property at 13 Hillside Avenue is on the market at \$425,000, with the MLS listing showing it having a second lot, which is stated as possibly not buildable.

Jeremy stated that Nat Yalowitz, at 12 Main St., across Main St. from the Beach, complained that the two parking spaces, which had been created for 2 people who have difficulty walking, were encroaching on his property. It was pointed out that since no survey of the property line has been done no determination can be made. Jeremy moved, seconded by Hannah, to plant Andromeda at the parking spaces in front of the Yalowitz property, at a cost not to exceed \$200. In favor: 9; opposed: 4; abstaining: 2. Motion carried.

Camp:

Rina reported that enrollment is up, and the projected deficit is down due to staffing economies.

Social:

Elliot reported that the summer schedule is going well, and requested that a Banquet committee be formed ASAP.

Road 4:

Gerry stated that they have plenty of material for the next (September) issue, and that more is coming in.

Water:

Drew reported that a proper cap and access hatch was installed on the Branch Street well pit, but that the Main Street well pit has not yet been done. There seems to be a low water pressure problem on West Main Street, which Drew is investigating.

Moledo's curbcock is to be replaced this week.

Paul raised the issue of accumulating capital in anticipation of upcoming problems on our aging water system that could require large expenditures. The Finance committee will be looking into this situation.

Environment:

Chris reported that he will follow up on the tree planting at the Lake and the composting. The company that handles the composting may require a certain number of participating community members to make it worth their while to include us.

Chris noted that the proliferation of vines on the phone, cable and power lines on the poles is creating a problem. The vines should be cut about 3 feet above the ground and the roots pulled out, if possible.

Communications:

Patrick reported that he is working on improving the Google Drive. An extensive discussion of email lists ensued.

Maintenance:

Drew reported that general maintenance is ongoing.

4- Good & Welfare:

Carol reported that the people who bought 2 Pond St. have been coming to events.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:15 AM.

Respectfully submitted: Dan Fast, Secretary