

Membership Meeting Minutes
July 28, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 11:15 AM by Rina Slavin, President

Present: 27 Voting Members and approximately 10 other Community members

- 1- Reading of Minutes:
The minutes from the October 28, 2018 Membership meeting were read, corrected, and accepted as corrected.

- 2- Financial report:
Paul Stewart-Stand, Treasurer, gave the Financial Report as follows:
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| Operating Account | \$ 13,763 |
| Camp account (includes \$10,000 reserve) | \$ 10,802 |
| Water Capitol Improvement | \$ 43,680 |
| Capitol Improvements | \$178,476 |
| Total | \$246,721 |

Paul reported that there are 3 members in arrears.

Martha Levites Stated that the Community should thank the Stewart-Stand family for the new play equipment at the Beach.

- 3- Committee reports:

Nominating committee:

Pearl Klainberg reported on the committee's work and listed the committee members as follows: herself, Martha Levites, Richard Tauber, Eric Stand, Patrick dePaula. There are 5 At Large positions open and all Officers. The slate produced by the committee is as follows: President: John Bergherr; Vice President: Martha Levites; Treasurer: Paul Stewart-Stand; Secretary: Dan Fast, Eric Stand; At Large: Ron Arnstein, Michael Brown, Patrick de Paula, Fred Margolies, Drew Orr, Rina Slavin, Natalie Solano, Hannah Yates.

Camp:

Annette Kroun reported that Camp is going extremely well, with more people getting involved and more campers. The Camp took in on scholarship four children from the Northern Westchester Community Center.

Beach:

Hannah Yates reported that the new play equipment and the plantings are almost complete.

Barn:

Mike Brown reported that he and Eric Stand had gone to Gagnon Lumber to see the wood for the Barn, and found it to be satisfactory. The wood is to be delivered in September and will be stored in the Barn. The Barn will not be available for Member's use once the

wood is delivered. The Barn Restoration committee is looking for a new bid from Mark Schmid, and is seeking bids from other contractors.

Lake:

Eric Stand reported that he met with Pristine Waters, the company that did the dredging at the dam and forbay, to look at the work at the south end of the lake. It was determined that the wetland area adjoining Danger Road should be left alone. This reduces the proposed work to the area in the lake itself. Eric stated that necessary permits are renewable without additional charges. No pricing has yet been provided.

Roads:

Fred Margolies reported that it is obvious that the scraping of the roads done by the Town Highway Department actually makes the roads worse. He is trying to get the Highway Department to only do repairs on an as needed basis. Fred also reiterated that the best approach is for individual community members to call the Highway Dept. directly about problems that they are experiencing.

Sales & Legal:

Jeremy Metz reported that 16 Hall Ave. may be going on the market in the near future, and that the bank that owns the Rios property at 20 Hillside Ave. is refusing to pay any of the back charges owed to the GBCA on that property. The Saul property at 13 Hillside Ave., the Cuffee property at 15 Hall Ave., and the Gecaj property at 39 Main St. are on the market.

Social:

Elliot Sokolov reported that the turn out for events has been good, and that a Banquet committee is being formed and is looking for volunteers. Four community members have volunteered to help out and they are looking for a volunteer to chair the committee.

Martha Levites stated that the committee is looking for people to tell their stories at The Bat. Anyone with a good story to tell should contact Martha.

Road 4:

Gerry Sircus reported that the new issue will be quite long in email form, though only 12 pages in printed form, again urged everyone to receive Road 4 by email, and requested material from community members.

Environment:

Chris Broberg reported that there is a company based in Stamford that does composting. It costs \$350 per year. They do not, at present, work in this area, but might be persuaded to do so if enough interest is shown.

Chris stated that the vines that are growing around the community are invasive and are destroying trees. He urged all to cut them off and try to destroy them.

A pesticide called Accord XRD2 is being used along roads to clear vegetation that obscures guardrails. Roundup is considered by some to be dangerous to animal and human life, particularly if it gets into the water supply.

Communications:

Patrick dePaula requested that people notify him and Dan Fast of changes in their contact information.

4- Good & Welfare:

Fred Margolies and Mera Eisen spoke about the Community Center of Northern Westchester. Fred suggested that this community become a "Community Center Partner"

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned, at 12:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted: Dan Fast, Secretary.