

Minutes of Executive Board of GBCA virtual (Zoom) meeting 10/3/21

Present: Paul Stewart-Stand: President, Jeremy Schneider: Vice President, William Edwards: Treasurer, Dan Fast: Secretary, Elliot Sokolov, Jeremy Metz, Gerry Sircus, Drew Orr, Rina Slavin, Dave McDonough, Wendy Robinson, Mary Mahoney, Ron Arnstein, Natalie Solano, Mike Brown

Also Present: Annette Kroun, Eric Stand, Natalie Gehrels

Virtual Meeting called to order 10:10 AM by Paul Stewart-Stand: President.

1- Minutes:

The minutes of the 9/12/21 Board meeting were read by Dan fast, Secretary, corrected, and accepted as corrected. Paul stated that the information given to Rina Slavin re: the vest pocket park at the intersection of Fairmount Road and Rt. 138 was incorrect, and that discussion of said park is ongoing.

2- Financial:

William Edwards, Treasurer, gave the Financial report as of 10/1/21 as follows:

M&T accounts (legacy)	\$ 0
Sterling Bank – Operating	\$ 44,698
Sterling Bank – Camp / Payroll	\$ 54,402
Sterling Bank – Water Capitol	\$ 133,811
Sterling Bank – Capitol Improvement	\$ 134,779
Total	\$ 367,690

There are 4 members in arrears: Harris, Moledo, Schwartz, and US Bank (formerly Rios). Legal proceedings have been brought against all four.

3- 2022 Budget:

William Edwards, Treasurer, reviewed the updated proposed 2022 budget. He noted that the matter of Bank charges, which includes credit card fees and how to handle those fees should be discussed by the entire membership. William then stated that Eric Stand would be describing proposed additional dredging work at the Lake, which is budgeted at \$50,000 for 2022, and another \$26,000 for 2023.

Ron Arnstein, who is our Water Operator as well as Board and community member, stated that the budget must include \$125,000 for the installation of a PFOA/PFOS filtering system, which will be required by the Westchester DOH. Ron stated that the DOH is pushing us very hard to solve the PFOA/PFOS problem. Ron also noted that we are still awaiting the Wasp Engineering report on the Water System, which may give us some additional guidance. William stated that there are two separate lines in the capitol budget; one for water reserve and one for general reserve.

Eric Stand then presented the proposal to do the additional dredging work at the south end of the lake. Eric described the past projects, at the concrete dam and at the intersection of Hall Ave. and Main St., and discussed the work and timing of the current proposal. The total cost of the current proposal is \$76,000.

At this point Paul removed Gerry Sircus from the meeting, claiming that he had made too many unsuccessful attempts to participate in this meeting.

Dan Fast Moved, Seconded by Ron Arnstein, to remove the \$50,000 dredging cost from the 2022 Proposed Budget due to the increases in other costs. In favor: 7, Opposed: 6. Motion carried.

William Edwards moved, seconded by Wendy Robinson, to approve the proposed budget, as amended at this meeting, for presentation to the Membership. In favor: 10. Opposed: 0. Abstaining: 3. Motion carried.

- 4- Paul introduced Natalie Gehrels, chair of the Communication committee. Natalie described the committee's research and decision to recommend a combination of Squarespace and MembershipWorks to build a new more functional and easier to use GBCA website. Squarespace costs \$18 per month and MembershipWorks costs \$49 per month. Natalie will send the Board detailed information
- 5- Waste Management:
We have 3 proposals from our carting company: for once per week pickup all year round, for once per week all year plus twice per week during the summer season, and twice per week all year round.
- 6- Committee liaisons:
Paul Stewart-Stand had proposed that Committee Liaisons be reorganized. It was the consensus of the Board to keep committee liaisons as they are, at least until the next Board meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 PM

Respectfully submitted: Dan Fast, Secretary