

Minutes of Executive Board of GBCA virtual (Zoom) meeting 3/13/22

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

Absent: Wendy Robinson, Natalie Solano, Gerry Sircus

Meeting called to order at 10:35 AM by Paul Stewart-Stand: President.

1- Minutes:
The minutes of the 2/13/22 Board meeting were read by Dan Fast, Secretary, corrected, and accepted as corrected.

2- Financial:
William Edwards, Treasurer, gave the Financial report as of 3/12/22 as follows:

M&T accounts (legacy)	\$ 0
Sterling Bank – Operating	\$ 193,562
Sterling Bank – Camp / Payroll	\$ 53,601
Sterling Bank – Water Capital	\$ 182,001
Sterling Bank – Capital Improvement	\$ 158,414
Total	\$ 587,579

There are 3 members in arrears: Harris, Moledo, and Schwartz. Sshwartz has been making regular payments. Moledo and Harris are in legal proceedings

3- Insurance:
Paul Stewart-Stand mentioned the possibility of raising the Directors & Officers Liability level, and stated that he plans to invite our insurance broker to a subsequent Board meeting to go over our insurance situation.

3- Committee reports:

Camp:

Dave McDonough reported the Camp is fully registered for the summer, the committee is involved in hiring waterfront staff, the Director is doing an excellent job.

Water:

Ron Arnstein reported that the Main Street well passed the PFOAs test for the last 2 quarters, and is back in service, the Branch Street well now needs only yearly, instead of quarterly, testing for PFOAs, and as of now no filtering is required.

Legal:

Jeremy Metz reported that he has been in contact with an environmental attorney who was recommended by Bob Wasp about various legal matters pertaining to the Water System, including going to private wells and participating in a class action lawsuit against companies that produced PFOAs.

Paul stated that he has been discussing the class action situation with the new Town Supervisor, and has been in contact with one of the law firms that is pursuing this.

Jeremy also reported that 15 Hall Ave. sold for \$375,000 to Benjamin Kress and Lindsey Bland.

Social:

Elliot Sokolov reported that the survey results were as follows: food events (barbecues) #1, music events #2 & #3, karaoke #4, The Bat #5, the Mentalist #6. 71 survey replies were received. Elliot requested an additional \$200 for Halloween expenses. Elliot moved, seconded by Rina Slavin, that the Social committee be allowed to spend an additional \$200 for Halloween expenses. Passed unanimously.

Barn:

Mike Brown reported that the Barn committee meeting to discuss the Teen Center ceiling was postponed to next week, and that nothing be scheduled in the Barn or Teen Center in May due to refinishing of the floors. Mike will contact the Camp committee to shop for refrigerators.

Drew Orr reported that he is trying to get the contractor in to do the Barn back stairs and landing replacement this spring to be finished before Camp starts,

Waste Management:

Mike Brown reported that the new contract will start in April.

Road 4:

Rina Slavin reported that the committee is working on the next issue, which will be come out in 2 ½ to 3 months.

Town:

Mary Mahoney reported that the last Town meeting was dominated by the Cell service / cell tower issue and that the overwhelming response from the residents was to prioritize service over aesthetics.

Paul mentioned that the Town sometimes uses “spot zoning” which allows the installation of things that could not normally be done under existing zoning regulations.

Paul reported that he has been speaking to the Town Supervisor about the PFOAs problem, and that he has submitted FOIA requests for information to the DOH and DEC for documents pertaining to the PFOAs problem.

Jeremy Metz reported that the new Water Task Force would be looking into getting political and legal help in dealing with the PFOAs problem.

Roads:

Paul Stewart-Stand reported that he spoke to the new Town Supervisor about the maintenance of our roads.

Good & Welfare:

Rina reported that an Afgan refugee family has moved into Matt & Kim's auxiliary apartment at 8 Hillside Ave. They are staying there rent free.

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The meeting adjourned at 1:05 PM

Respectfully submitted: Dan Fast, Secretary