

Membership Meeting (Virtual) Minutes
October 30, 2022

The meeting on Zoom was called to order at 11:05 AM by Jeremy Metz, President

Present: 30 Voting Members and 4 other community members.

1- Reading of Minutes:

The minutes of the 8/28/22 Membership meeting were read by Dan Fast, Secretary, and accepted as read.

2- Financial report:

William Edwards, Treasurer, gave the Financial Report as of 10/28/22 as follows:

Sterling Bank – Operating	\$ 63,673
Sterling Bank – Camp/ Payroll	\$ 39,157
Sterling Bank – Water Capitol	\$182,012
Sterling Bank - Capitol Improvement	\$135,626
Total	 \$420,469

There are two members in arrears: Harris and Moledo. Both are in legal proceedings.

3- 2023 Budget:

William Edwards, Treasurer, reviewed the proposed 2023 Budget, describing the reasons for the increases in dues. William then took questions from the membership.

Martha Levites moved, seconded by Anna Margolies, to reduce the amount in the Budget for Legal fees from \$6,000 to \$3,000. In favor: 3; Opposed: 17; Abstaining: 1. Motion defeated.

Nadja Jackson moved, seconded by Barbara Tauber, to increase the Social Justice Scholarship amount from \$1,000 to \$2,000. In favor: 18; Opposed: 4; Abstaining: 5. Motion Carried.

After further discussion William Edwards moved, seconded by John Bergherr, to approve the 2023 Budget, as amended at this meeting. In favor: 21; Opposed: 0; Abstaining: 3. Motion carried.

William will amend the Budget to it's final form, and it will be circulated to the Membership.

5- Committee reports:

Water:

Jeremy Metz reported the Special Water committee received the contract for operation of our Water System from Environmental Consultants, and upon reviewing it found many objectionable clauses. The committee put together an amended contract, and sent it to Environmental Consultants. They rejected it, and the committee is now negotiating with them to try to achieve a contract that we both can live with. Negotiations are proceeding, and it is hoped that an agreement will be reached in the very near future.

Dan Fast reported that Ron Arnstein, Drew Orr, and Dan Fast appeared at a Westchester Dept. of Health hearing on the PFOAs situation with the Water System on 9/13/22. The DOH postponed any decision pending a submittal of a remediation plan by 10/25/22. Ron and Drew attended the hearing on 10/25, explained that Dan was unable to attend, and asked for additional time to prepare a proposal, which was granted. The next hearing will be on 12/6/22. Ron, Drew, and Dan are currently working on this proposal and will have it to the DOH before the 12/6 hearing. Dan described the proposal as involving installing filtering systems in each unit on the Water System at the point of use in the kitchen.

Camp:

Annette Kroun reported that the committee is working on staffing for next year and updating the Camp website.

Beach:

Abaz Nuza reported that there was nothing new to report on.

Barn:

Mike Brown reported that the water will be turned off in two days, and will be off until Spring.

Lake:

Russell Gordon reported that the dredging work is continuing.

Roads:

Mary Mahoney reported that the Road committee is looking for additional members, and the committee is putting out a survey to the community on the roads.

Sales & Legal:

Jeremy Metz reported that 322 Waccabuc Road appears to be in contract, and 43 Main Street is in contract. Also, Jeremy stated that 7 Hillside Ave. is on the market.

Social:

Elliot Sokolov reported on the results of the survey that the committee circulated to the community. 45 people responded, and the rating for the season was 4.3 out of 5. Fall and spring events were requested, and the recent Pie Day was successful.

Road 4:

Rina Slavin reported they are looking for volunteers as there are only three on the committee at this time.

Communications:

Natalie Solano reported that the committee is hoping to meet early next month, and hopes to have the new website online by the end of December.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted: Dan Fast, Secretary