# HIDDEN LAKE ASSOCIATION Regular Monthly Meeting April 29, 2019 Approved- MINUTES

## **OPENING:**

President Jay Cassella called the regular monthly Board meeting of the Hidden Lake Association to order at 6:43 p.m. on Monday, April 29, 2019 at the Annex Hall located on Jail Hill Road. BOARD MEMBERS

## PRESENT:

Jay Cassella, President Alan Stokke, Treasurer Sheri Berger, Tax Collector Financial Secretary Cindy Porriello Victoria Nicholson

#### **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Dale Fiore, Vice President Lloyd Pearson, Past President Lori-Ann Hoberman, Secretary Carolyn Chalifoux

#### ASSOCIATION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Eleanor Poriello Sandra Kiehm Bob Kiehm Brian Polak B.J Chotiner James Nicholson

# A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The approval of the April 2019 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved and will be posted on the HLA website. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Sheri Berger and seconded by Cindy Poriello. Motion passed. So moved.

## **B. TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Alan Stokke submitted the regular Treasurer Report, there was very little change. A motion was made by Victoria Nicholson to accept the treasurer's April report and seconded by Sheri Berger. Motion passed. So moved.

# C. TAX COLLECTOR REPORT:

Sheri Berger reports there was one payment in April bringing the tax collection total to \$68,438.13. There are only Five properties in arrears, a tax auction is set for June 19, 2019. One property was paid in full by the mortgage company. The list of properties up for auction can be found at CT.taxsale.com.

# D. SEPTIC REPORT:

Anthony Grandazzo was absent. Jay will speak to Anthony Grandazzo to verify we are on the same budget as last year.

## E. ROAD COMMITTEE:

Peter Lombardo reported to Jay Cassella that Sanitrol quoted \$1647 to clean the catch basins, of which two are nearly full due to chip seal runoff. Motion to accept the Sanitrol bid was made by Victoria Nicholson and seconded by Cindy Porriello. All in favor, motion passed.

#### F. LAKE REPORT:

Jay Cassella read the report submitted by The Pond Connection \$350 for permit and \$5,650 to treat the three coves which are the targeted areas, if deemed necessary by the CAES. We are waiting for the CT DEEP C.A.E.S. to make their recommendations. Jay will ask Greg Bugbee if chemical treatment is being recommended as part of our weed control. If so, Dale Fiore will be putting in for the permit. The committee would like to see efforts made using hydro-raking in sections of the coves. Funds have been set aside, it will be presented at the annual meeting. If passed the Lake Committee would like to see this process begin this 2019 season.

## G. BY-LAW COMMITTEE:

Robert Kiehm presented the Bylaw committee's findings on proposed amendments presented by Alan Stokke. The committee is working on Section 14A, Section 16D, Section 2 and Section 22 as well as others (Report on present findings attached). The committee will be meeting again prior to the annual meeting to finalize their report and prepare for an Association vote on amendment changes at the Annual Meeting May 19, 2019.

## H. AUDIT COMMITTEE:

Dale Fiore was not present but reported all records were in order and he would be giving them to Cindy Poriello and Jean Cassella for further review.

# I. WEB REPORT:

Alan Stokke reports he has revamped the Website making it more user friendly.

# J. BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE:

Sandy Kiehm reported the barrels are being purchased along with flowers to be placed at major mailbox huts. Sandy and Rose Fiore are looking for volunteers with this endeavor and future fundraisers. Jay Casella addressed the BOG and those present with a proposal to match any funds raised by the Beautification Committee fundraisers with monies from the budgeted Property Maintenance line item.

## K. SPECIAL PROJECTS:

Jay Casella will be ordering the street signs that were previously approved by the Board.

#### L. OLD BUSINESS:

Jay Cassella along with other association members went to Lake Beseck to see the installation of Lake Bottom Blanket and gather information. Greg Bugbee from the CAES stated now is the time to install them before any growth, remove after 4 weeks. Prior to the root sprouting. A motion was made to purchase Three 10'x40' Lake Bottom Blankets with re-bar for \$400 each. Victoria Nicholson motioned and Sheri Berger seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

#### M. General Discussion:

BJ Chotiner, East Shore Drive association member, apprised the BOG and all present that long time resident Don Moulton (East Shore Drive) recently passed away. The Board thanked Mr. Chotiner for bringing that to our attention. The BOG expressed their condolences. Sandy Kiehm, East Shore Drive raised concerns over the unleashed dogs roaming. She will seek to speak to the owners over this issue.

## N. NEW BUSINESS:

Al Stokke Treasurer, went line by line with present Board members working together on the 2019-2020 proposed budget. He will be making the suggested changes and will email them to the Board Members, in preparation for the budget presentation vote at the Annual Association Meeting Sunday, May 19th, 2019. (Proposed Budget and explanation of Budget Expenditures attached) Deadline to mail out notifications to the Hidden Lake Association members will be Tuesday, May 7th, 2019. At 9:00 P.M. A motion to adjourn was made and accepted.

The regular monthly Board meeting of the Hidden Lake Association held on April 29th, 2019 was adjourned.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE HIDDEN LAKE ASSOCIATION WILL BE HELD MONDAY, JUNE 24TH 2018 AT 6:30pm the Annex Hall located on Jail Hill Road. THE 2019 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE HIDDEN LAKE ASSOCIATION WILL BE HELD SUNDAY, MAY 19TH AT 1:00PM AT THE ANNEX HALL LOCATED ON JAIL HILL ROAD.

Respectfully Submitted, Victoria Nicholson Board Member