

Board Meeting Minutes April 4, 2009

President Laurie Francis called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM. There were 14 Board Members present.

Secretary's Report:

The March 7, 2009, minutes were reviewed. Steve Nowicki moved to accept the minutes as corrected, John Kovac seconded, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Linda Sheppard reviewed the Treasurer's report. She reported that beginning balance in the checkbook of \$13,478.90, income receipts of \$7,670.24 and expenditures of \$12,291.29 with a remaining balance of \$5,470.71. It was noted that the Golden Passbook Account and the Community/Scholarship Fund were closed out and added to the checkbook. A motion by Jerry Klahn, seconded by Jinny Matush to approve the action of closing out these accounts and moved to the checkbook be approved. Motion carried. Tom Gabriel and the Board thanked Linda Sheppard for all her work each month in supplying the Treasurer's report.

Budget Committee Report:

Bob Linke reviewed the 2009 Budget Report and 2009 Budget Proposal. A decision was made for the Budget Committee Business Committee need to meet periodically to stay on track with meeting the proposed budget. They will meet after today's Board Meeting. The Budget Committee will try and have a viable budget by the next Board Meeting. A discussion pertaining to authorization of increasing the line of credit on the loan ensued. Board approval is necessary but there are provisions in the By-Laws for emergency procedures where the Executive Committee is responsible for authorization to extend the line of credit.

Tri-Lakes Management Report:

Steve Nowicki, Liaison for Tri-Lakes Management, reported:

- Truck has been replaced
- Annual audit was completed in excellent order
- Town of Rome Assessor is adding outlots/beach clubs to the tax roll with a zero value as they are already figured in the individuals' tax bill
- Clean Boat AIS Grants have been give to hire interns to be at the boat launches this summer teaching boaters about "clean boats" ie zebra mussels, etc.
- Septic systems prior to 1992 have to be pumped and inspected
- Lakes bill has passed for banning of phosphorous fertilizer
- Chris Murphy will be at the Annual Tri-Lakes meeting in September to address the shoreland protection act
- Senate Bill #12 No Wake State-wide within 100 ft of shoreline (not pier) has been approved by the House and Assembly and is awaiting signature by the Governor
- Barley straw is available at Tri Lakes on Apache Ave
- Interviewing for operators for two positions for Harvester operators
- Lake levels as of 3/30/09: Lake Camelot was up 2.4 inches with gate open 5 inches; Sherwood up 2.4 inches with gate open 5 inches and Arrowhead up 1.2 inches with gate open 7 inches It was noted that Tri Lakes has no control on the dam gates, it is controlled by the County. There is an emergency plan in place for Tri Lakes if needed.

Architectural Report:

Nothing to report.

LSPOA Assistant Report:

The Town of Rome has been approved, by Adams County, an ordinance that will require an annual camping permit effective April 24th. Camping permits are still required by LSPOA.

Covenants Committee Report:

The camper/trailer on N Archers way has been removed.

Scholarship and Donations Report:

Three applications have been received for the two scholarships available. The application deadline is May 1st.

Business Committee Report:

The economy is down. Spending is down 28% in the area; our gambling income is down 60%. The Committee is looking at every aspect to keep costs down for the Lodge.

Housing Committee Report:

Steve Nowicki reported that a blower will be purchased and the floors will be done in April by volunteers from the Board/Lodge.

Nominating Committee Report:

Jill Kowalske was welcomed by the Board as a potential representative for the Glencove subdivision.

Recreation Committee Report:

The budget for the firework display was discussed and it was moved by Jerry Sipla, seconded by Dave Duxstad to give the Committee a \$4,500-5,500 budget, not to exceed \$5,500, for the display. Motion carried.

Conservation Committee Report:

Dave Trudeau reported that the Rome Wildfire Group met on March 25th and finalized the plans for 2009 Firewise presentations at the Town Annual Meeting on April 14th and at the Camelot Lodge Environmental Day on April 18th. It was discussed that the LSPOA should extend an invitation to Amy Luebke, DNR Wildland Urban Interface to give a presentation on Firewise planning and possible grant funding at the Annual LSPOA Labor Day meeting. The Town of Rome intended to issue a contract to allow a commercial logger to begin cutting in Sherwood Forest. Dave attended the Town meeting and got the Board to reconsider and put the contract on hold as we are entering the season where the spread of oak wilt is a serious issue. If the Town later does some commercial logging, they should coordinate with the County to address that additional parcel of Sherwood Forest. Even though labor intensive, it would be esthetically favorable to do the clearing with hand crews, rather than commercial machinery.

Correspondence:

Reesa Evans sent a reminder of the refresher meetings looking for volunteers for lake water quality monitoring.

Old Business:

- Short-term Rental – The Town of Rome Plan Commission Committee has set up a committee propose a “conditional-use” permit on property zoned LD along with its components and how it will be implemented to permit short-term rentals. The Committee will report its findings to the Plan Commission at the April 6th meeting at 5:30 PM. It will be put on the LSPOA website for members to review and write to the Town Plan Commission.

New Business:

With no further business, Bob Linke moved to adjourn, seconded by Steve Nowicki. Meeting was adjourned at 11:50 AM.

Next Meeting of the Board of Directors will be May 2, 2009 at 10:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted:
Barbara Schwarz
Administrative Assistant