

**Paulinskill Lake Association**  
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**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Stillwater Community Center**  
**Wednesday, August, 2023**  
**7:00 PM**  
**REDACTED**

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**Roll Call :**

x	Scott Douglas President	x	Tom Williver Vice President	x	Pati Grablutz Corr Sec	x	Linda McSweeney Financial Secretary
ab	Donna Tappan Treasurer	ab	MaryAnne Choma Recording Secretary	x	Watson Perigo Roads & Trustee 1	x	Dave Williams Entertainment & Trustee 2
ab	Rob Herbison Buildings/Grounds & Trustee 3	x	Suzanne Troiano Membership & Trustee 4	x	Cindy Tracey Environment & Trustee 5	x	Courtney Tormey Beaches/Rec & Trustee 6

Also present:

**Approval of Minutes** –

**Reports of Officers, Committees, and Board of Trustees**

VP

## Treasurer

- Operating Account \$216,657.45
- Dam Account \$ 10,148.08
- Capital Account \$150,642.29
- Shared Reserve Account \$163,884.14
- Please take a look at the budget and let me know if there are any changes or suggestions.
- Motion to approve report by Dave. Seconded by Linda
- Vote - report approved

## Fin Sec

- 1 IMF this month
- Rest of deposits dues and badges
- Linda discussed state of affairs

## Corresponding Sec

- Pati is working on newsletter
- Pati is waiting on Newsletter submissions from **Scott** and **Donna**
- Once Pati received this info she will send to print
- Scott shared that he will be going in to the newsletter to update it with:
  - Capital improvement updated with requests for benches
  - Replacement of the BBQ grills
  - Remove changes to the bylaws because there was nothing presented (???huh)
  - Elections to be listed
  - 2024 annual budget approval
  - Nuance on need to change language from “Roads Trustee” to “Trustee” in order to support practice of how Trustees are voted in
    - **Scott** will edit the draft of the Newsletter and share w Pati by end of the week

## Recording Sec

- Not present
- Meeting audio recorded and minutes scribed later by MaryAnne

## Membership

- All is good
- Will be sharing ideas during new business

## Grounds

- Not present

## Roads

- Did repair work on problems that came up on East End Road and Valley View Drive
- Weather put work behind by 2 to 3 weeks
- Watson reviewed the plan for which roads are scheduled for upkeep this year and next
- Owner of Morris Asphalt and Watson spoke about the quality of materials that are available for the work. Unfortunately, double coating is now needed due to change in how product is produced
- Watson has a sign order in to replace signs that are down
- Hoping for Light winter again this coming year so we can do some more work like this again.

## Enviro

- No news except port-a-john vandalism problems
- Scott thanked Cindy for reacting to problem quickly

## Beaches

- Beaches are quiet
- Quiet attendance
- Chess club quiet
- Starting next week, most guards leaving for college and we are left with 4 guards
- For next 1.5 weeks probably just one beach open

## Entertainment

- Music on the Beach - Friday night Sept 1
  - The quality materials we knew we wanted for the electrical work at the ballfield are finally in the electrician's hands. This took longer than idea but feel it was worth waiting for quality
  - We should see work starting shortly
  - David understands they will be given permission to install large rocks in front of the service panel
  - Additional talk about large rocks to help with inappropriate car traffic on the grounds
- Kimberly Williams shared that Earl Parretti of South Shore is the owner of a renovation construction company out of Montclair who wants to be more involved in our community
- He is not ready to run for a position yet but wants to be put on a list for work programs that need attention

- Earl would be an excellent resource to Buildings and Grounds
- Kimberly also shared that she was approached by someone who inquired about skydiving and landing on Beach 3. This person said all they need is a letter of permission. Kimberly was surprised this would be all that is needed and wanted to bring it to the board
  - Scott shared concern about insurance
  - Q - why Beach 3 and not the ball field? A - not sure
  - Scott asked Kimberly for name and more information in an email to follow up with
- Sue shared - Brian and Meeka Stolsenburg also do not want to run for a position, but want to be involved in our community. Suzanne shared that Grounds is an area where there is so much to be done.
  - IDEA - Maybe Grounds is an area where there are subcommittees
  - The Board is looking to encourage Rob to delegate his working list of projects out to this growing list of interested volunteers

#### President

- Scott reached out to Planet Networks to see how many people in PLA have reached out for contracts. He still has not received reply
  - Scott also inquired on if we do NOT meet the requirement that provides us free internet for our cameras, what will be our cost?
  - Scott is interested in getting internet at Beach 1 that is strong enough to reach the parking lot at the Ballfield so we can put a camera.
  - Scott asked for additional contacts other than Trish. Not getting back to us
  - A community member asked Scott about a dead ash tree on the edge of Edgewood and Northfield because it is in the right of way. Scott explained that just because we have the right of way does not mean we are responsible, it means we have the right to do the work if we deem
  - Scott suggested he and his neighbor partner on the tree - Scott will keep us updated

#### Old business

- MaryAnne not at meeting - Shared Drive topic tabled
- Tom to update the Board via email on his long term project (*Tom - I could not hear the details via the audio clip - Please help*)

#### New business

- Suzanne arranged for one of our community members to teach yoga this Saturday, and then alternating Saturdays and Sundays. She will do 4 sessions on Beach 1. Courtney will introduce her on Sat for Suzanne. This offer was put out to membership. Spread the word.

- Watershed - community wants to share info at Membership meeting
  - Discussion on length of time needed
- Suzanne shared about a boating confrontation about a week ago. She described some reckless boating behavior that she and Vincent observed while out on their boat. They took on the act of letting the boaters know that they needed to be towing the children on the other side of the buoy. That boater erupted with very foul language in front of the children. Cindy asked for the boat number. Suzanne has a photo and boat number. Cindy will reach out to them.
  - Suzanne also received 2 or 3 emails about campers not following the rules
  - Meeting and email to campers and boaters. Suzanne wants to be a part of making this meeting happen
  - Kimberly shared that as a Board and engaged boating community, there is value in taking the lens that we all need to be reminded more often. We should expect frequent reminders to be given. We all need them!
  - Scott brought up the policy for personal behavior. Inquired if it was read and if there was feedback.
  - Scott explained the different levels of offense; first offense, second offense, etc
  - Scott will send the draft of the policy to the Board to vote on it. If approved by the Board, we can announce it at the annual meeting
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Motion to Adjourn:

Next meeting date, time, location:

Closed Session:

