FOUR LAKES BOARD of OFFICERS

Meeting Minutes January 14, 2016 Home of Terry Deschenes, 7:00 pm

Present:

Rod Case Terry Deschenes Tom Norton Dave Prochazka Marty Johnson Brendan Pecht Marc Sanders Steve Scott Diondra Miles Nina Hufford Brian Thompson

A. Committee Reports

Treasurer: Rod Case

2015 wrap-up on three outstanding accounts:

- #1 agreed to a payment plan with the lawyer (has refused to sign the confession of judgement, so going back to court for a judgement).
- #2 has also agreed to a payment plan (first payment 25th of this month).
- #3 nothing is going on... Still no response to Terry's letter. Terry suggests we need to protect the association and to proceed with the best way to go (currently \$7200 in arrears). Question: should we turn off utilities versus continuing to have the lawyers handle this? Consensus is that we're staying with the lawyer approach for now and could choose a different path for another situation in the future. Board agreed unanimously to continue with the lawyer activity for now, including a sheriff's sale if that is the recommendation.

Have \$8700 unspent from 2015 budgets and board chose to put it in savings for future needs.

Roads: Tom Norton

Lot of water runoff recently, notably at the entrance. Plan to do more as it dries up. Continuing to fill potholes and maintain ditches. Question: does the Roads committee responsibility include all of the ditches, or just the roads and aprons? Not clear... kind of a shared responsibility across committees and homeowners.

Will be continuing the work on the ditch along 239th Ave SE. Suggestion: organize work parties for projects along the ditches and to attack the blackberries. Will plan to mention something in the upcoming newsletter in advance of the annual meeting, perhaps asking people to let him know in advance if they'd be available.

Hospitality: Brendan Pecht

Still a couple people to catch up with, but generally been pretty quiet.

Community Property: Marty Johnson

Cleaned up by the entrance (very successful work party in 2015). In 2016, plan to use organic insect killer to kill some of the lawn grubs and possibly reduce the number of moles. Board is open to proposals to replace the play structure.

Entertainment: Nina Hufford

Turkey Bowl was a smashing success (30% more people, lots of t-shirts, lots of people want to make it a regular tradition). May have snacks for the spectators next year. Caroling made \sim \$150 for Seattle's Children's Hospital (no rain this year \odot).

Lakes: Steve Scott

Runoff period didn't create too many problems (most culverts were in good shape). Extra flow through the top culvert seemed to clean a lot of the beaver's rocks out.

Have put a few rocks at the end of the pilings on Osprey Lake in a futile attempt to try to keep the fish in the lake... suspect we've lost a number of the fish. Don't plan to budget for trout planting in 2016 (the birds will eat the bass in the lake). May put grass carp in the lakes. The trout aren't really a natural part of the lake ecosystem (trout eat the tadpoles, then the tadpoles don't eat the mosquito larvae). Would have to obtain a permit to restock Osprey Lake if needed this year.

Overall, things are pretty healthy. Some pondweed, some algae. Hoping none of it comes back in force. The best time for treatment is before it gets bad. Will have to see how it goes, including the flow through the lake, in order to use a systemic treatment that kills all the way down to the root. Need to do some weed whacking.

Sad to see that we lost the snag on the island. Some families have discussed seeing if we could re-raise it or replace it next summer.

Water: Evan Lurton

No report.

Emergency Preparedness: Mark Anderson

No report.

Communications: Terry Deschenes

Will be sending out a notice about the annual meeting (will be in early March). Committee chairs and others are asked to submit articles back to Terry by the end of January if possible.

Legal: Terry Deschenes

No report.

B. New Business

Discussed budgeting for each committee. Most budgets are finalized and ready for the annual meeting. Roads committee may consider an additional project suggested during the meeting.

Nominated, seconded and elected Terry Deschenes as president for 2016.

Annual meeting tentatively scheduled for 9 March 2016 at 7:00 pm in the Eagle Room at Issaquah City Hall.

Adjournment:

The next general meeting is scheduled for 18 February 2016 at 7:00 pm at the home of Terry Deschenes.

--Marc Sanders, Secretary