

# **South Barrington Lakes Association**

## **Meeting Minutes**

01-16-14

### **Board Members Present**

Dave Valentino  
Paula McCombie  
Dave Gerali  
John Holmes  
Eric Fernandez  
Joe Helsing  
George Broustis

### **Call to Order**

President Dave Valentino called the meeting to order at 7:46

### **Minutes**

The minutes from the November meeting were approved Eric Fernandez made the motion and Dave Gerali seconded. All were in favor.

### **Treasury Report**

Eric Fernandez reported that he's received 2014 dues payments from a large percentage of residents already. He also reported that a vast majority had voted in favor of the rule changes proposed with the dues payments.

George Broustis returned \$600 that was appropriated for decorating entrances for the holidays. He and his wife Joan did a great job decorating the entrances without buying any new materials.

### **Collection of Dues**

The Board had a conversation about collection procedures for overdue dues payments. The current procedure calls for sending overdue accounts to collections after the second reminder notice is sent to residents. At that point our attorneys send a 30 day notice letter giving one more opportunity to pay before a lien is placed on the property. It was decided that the current procedure is fair and will be continued.

### **24 Liberty**

We've received information that the bank that owns 24 Liberty is applying for a permit to fix the property. The Board will continue to monitor the progress

### **County Update**

Paula is still working with the county to establish their responsibility for work that the Board feels needs to be done on their property that borders the subdivision.

Dave Valentino had quotes for about \$3000 for cutting down a dead tree and removing stumps on county property.

Paula will continue to work with the county to try to get this work done and we will revisit this at the March meeting.

### **New Street Signs**

New street signs will be installed by late spring that are larger and conform to the new state standards. The village will pay for the signs on the exterior of the subdivision while the signs on the interior part of the subdivision will be paid for from our current budget.

### **Utility Boxes**

Joe Helsing presented a survey he conducted on all the crooked utility boxes in the subdivision. He has presented this to the village manager and will continue to work with the village to see if we can get these fixed.

### **Cameras**

Dave Valentino talked about the quotes he's received for security cameras and discussed a few of the options. We will review again at the next meeting.

### **Officer Elections**

The board had its annual officer elections and everyone was elected to the same offices as last year. The positions are as follows:

Dave Valentino / President and Architectural

Paula McCombie / Vice President and Architectural

Mike McCombie / Co-Treasurer, Architectural and Director

Dave Gerali / Director

John Holmes / Secretary and Director

Eric Fernandez / Co-Treasurer, Director and Closing Letters

Joe Helsing / Director

George Broustis / Director

John Elias / Director

### **Annual Picnic**

The Board discussed options for the 2014 picnic and the associated budget. A few potential dates were discussed with the thought that maybe holding the picnic a few

weeks earlier would give us a better chance of having good weather. This will be revisited again in March.

### **Entrance Plantings**

Dave Valentino proposed that we spend \$2000 of the \$6000 planting budget on annuals in the spring. He will take care of contracting with the same person who did the plantings last year.

Joe Helsing made a motion to approve and George Broustis seconded. All were in favor.

### **Geese on Lake**

Dave Valentino discussed the problem of a large flock of geese that have been visiting the lake. He has had complaints from a resident and the question was raised as to the board's responsibility to resolve this issue. It was decided that since the residents bordering the lake own the property out to the center of the lake it is not an issue the board will address. Dave found a contractor who the residents can hire to deal with this problem and will provide this information upon request.

### **Adjournment**

Dave Gerali made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 and Joe Helsing seconded. All were in favor.