

SLIA Annual Meeting Minutes--9/16/2015
Countryside Fire Department Meeting Room

Meeting called to order at 7pm.

Board members present: Gary Goldblatt, Jeanne Peterson, Lynda Throm, Dave Weiss, Dave Kruse, Jeri Swanson, Lee Dickenson, Laurie MacKay, and Sam Ford

Association member households shown on sign-in sheets: 29. At least three additional households were present but did not sign in.

J Peterson moved, seconded by J Swanson, to approve the 2014 Annual Meeting minutes. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

G Goldblatt introduced new association member households. He also thanked the Board of Directors and the many volunteers who assist with Sylvan Lake's needs this year. Gary then took a moment to thank a long-time neighbor, Pat Zenner, who is leaving Sylvan Lake to be closer to her kids. She, along with her late husband John, provided much service to the community over the 29 years they have been here.

Vice President's Report: J Peterson reported on several projects. This year, the board worked on the issue of collecting assessments more effectively. Investigation showed that we have better ways to collect assessments from the small group of property owners who have historically withheld payment. So in July, the board voted to adopt Article 9 of the Illinois Civil Code. She also reported that our current year's insurance policy renewal was completed in August with \$2m General Liability and D&O coverage plus another \$1M umbrella over that. Separate liquor liability insurance covers Sylvan Lake events throughout the year where liquor is served or sold. Jeanne also sends out mailings to the email distribution list for Sylvan Lake and will make another attempt to get the 50 or so homes who are not part of the list onto it. The Shoreline comes out five times a year, and the email distribution list is valuable for notifications between those newsletters.

Treasurer Report: D Weiss reported that all bank accounts have been moved to PNC for efficiency. Financials have been moved from spreadsheets into Quickbooks for more accurate record keeping and billing invoices. Everyone received a copy of the 2016 budget and was

encouraged to review the 2015 actuals before voting on the budget. Questions were fielded from association members.

Parks & Easement Report: J Swanson reported on clean up throughout the neighborhood including removal of many dead and fallen trees. Hiawatha erosion improvement plan was detailed as well as the WMB grant applied for. G Goldblatt will follow up with the township regarding a rotted tree by the Pakledinaz' home.

Beach Report: G Goldblatt reported on work done at the beach this year. The updated outcropping plan for the 2012 approved beach wall was explained to present members who were encouraged to review a picture of an example of the plan. Several members expressed safety concerns around the wall. They were encouraged to bring forward other suggestions.

Lake Report: L Dickinson reported good lake quality until an algae bloom late in the season that was remediated by Scientific Aquatic. It was explained that healthy lakes have 30-50% weed coverage but that by the beach lily pads will continue to be removed by hand and pondweed will be treated with a localized biological agent.

Special Projects: S Ford explained the role of this position in low budget projects. He explained that he is working on developing a plan for the number of abandoned boats on easements. He stated that he wants to resurrect the spreadsheet for these projects.

Recreation Report: D Kruse explained the biggest expense in recreation is maintaining volleyball courts. He was able to increase involvement in recreation this year and hopes to generate even more involvement in the future.

Garden Club: L MacKay described past and upcoming events for the year. Garden Club board members and other volunteers were recognized.

Shoreline: Donn Hamm thanked past contributors and requested ongoing relevant articles and pictures.

Website: Mike Erdman announced he is the new slia.net webmaster and requested content for the site.

Budget vote: D. Weiss answered questions regarding the proposed budget. Linda Mihel motioned to accept the proposed budget, seconded by Dan Trahan. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Board member vote: In addition to the 3 incumbent board members, Mary Harroun nominated Warren Young for board member position. Each household was given a ballot. L. Dickinson, J. Swanson, and L. Throm received the top three votes.

Next board meeting is October 14, 2015 at the Countryside firehouse meeting room.

Linda Mihel moved, seconded by Mr. Dolby to adjourn the meeting at 9pm. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynda Throm
Secretary