

## POALH Board of Governors

### Meeting Minutes

April 10, 2023

The virtual and in person meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm by Cindy Biancamano at 72 Ridgewood Rd, East Haddam, CT and with Google Meet.

Board Members Present in Person: Cindy Biancamano, Lynn Crisci, Laurie Dworak, Kathy Sabo & Phil Sabo

Board Members Present Virtually: Dave Edgington, Evelyn Passan

Board Members Absent: Hema DeSilva

Association Members in attendance in person: Lisa Hober - Treasurer

**Minutes:** *Lynn Crisci made a motion to waive the reading and accept the minutes of the March 13, 2023, board meeting. Phil Sabo seconded. A vote was held. All board members present agreed (7).*

**Public Comment:** None.

**President's Report:** Cindy Biancamano reported that there is a new Communications person, Rachel Boone, who will be taking over all of the communications duties. There is also a new Newsletter person, Gary Cohen, to take care of that task.

#### Financial Reports:

- **Tax Collector:** Lynn Crisci reported that the Town of East Haddam has not yet configured the final figures so that we can calculate our mil rate. This is due to the fact that it is an assessment year. We will hopefully have the figures by May 15th. There is five years worth of data now in the QDS system so that we can run reports. Lynn continues to generate the final tax bills for closings as there are some properties changing hands and she also provides a Property Owner's Sheet for them to fill out.
- **Treasurer:** Lisa Hober ordered new checks. This month's accounting reports are on the drive. Lee Griffin is ordering flags.

#### Committee Reports:

- **By-Laws:** Nothing to report. Bylaws will be reviewed next year.
- **Budget Committee:** Laurie Dworak, chair of budget committee, has begun to formulate a committee. Lisa Sobestanovich will serve again this year. Laurie will seek out other association members to serve, hopefully having a committee of 5 people or more as long as it is an odd number of people.
- **Dam Committee:** Laurie Dworak indicated that Tim Pelton, dam committee chair, was given an unmerited figure to start to work with for the dam project. East shore donations were discussed hoping to garner 30% from them towards the cost of the project.
- **Events:** Cindy Biancamano reported that the events calendar has been set up. Evelyn Passan suggested that one association member run each event next year. Cindy Biancamano indicated that there still needs to be one coordinator in charge.
- **Geese:** Evelyn Passan reported that there are two pairs of geese on the lake and one male. A nest has been located on association property next to 36 Glimmer Glenn. Nutmeg Farms did go in and replace four of the eggs with wooden ones. They will replace the remainder of the eggs in the nest with wooden eggs over the weekend. Evelyn will also check the perimeter of the lake with a pontoon boat. Evelyn will not be holding the "egg hunt" this spring as planned as she feels it is no longer necessary. There was a flock of geese in the field that Nutmeg Farms shined a laser on to get them to move on. Evelyn Passan will also be purchasing a drone to harass the geese on the lake when they are in the middle of the lake. She will send out an email blast to association members to let them know that if they see a drone on the lake it is hers used to harass the geese.
- **Lake Quality:** Cindy Biancamano reported that the association has finally received a letter from the DEEP delineating our award of \$16,500 for the bio detention basin even though the project is already done.
- **Nominating:** Lisa Hober will be chairing the nominating committee this year and will be putting together a committee of three. She has asked Cindy Biancamano, Hema DeSilva and Kathy Sabo to let her know if they will be running again this year. Kathy Sabo indicated that she would be. There is one vacant position already which is the representative at large.
- **Properties:** Phil Sabo reported that the two boats that were left at second beach over the winter are now gone. The AEDs need new chest pads (2 adults & 2 children) which Gary Petersen will purchase to be reimbursed by the association. The money to purchase the chest pads will come out of allocated capital reserves. The credit card will eventually be given to Phil for use once we can get one with the association name on it. Phil asked about a tax exempt certificate for the purchase of the AED chest pads. It was indicated that the treasurer is working on securing a current one from the state of Connecticut.
- **Technology:** Laurie Dworak reported that new emails have been set up for the newsletter and communications positions. She is working on researching what is needed for the new PA system for the pavilion so we can have a new one in place for the June association meeting. Laurie was looking for the wired mics and could not find them. Phil will look into where they may be stored. In the future for the association meetings we will be using mics (wired or wireless) on mic stands for members to use.
- **Water Testing:** Cindy Biancamano reiterated that Lisa Long will continue to do the water testing this year.
- **Other:** Nothing.

#### Old Business

- **Property Encroachment:** Cindy Biancamano reported that our surveyor will be out to the property in the next couple of weeks. She will ask Gary Petersen to oversee this process.
- **Newsletter:** Cindy Biancamano reported that Gary Cohen will be producing the newsletter every week this summer. Articles for the newsletter need to be to Gary by the Wednesday before publication. There will be no more home delivery.
- **Spring Packet:** Cindy Biancamano reported she approved the spring packet. It is already up on the website. She will ask Rachel Boone to send it out in an email blast.
- **Newsblast/Communications:** All requests for email blasts should go directly to Rachel Boone to process and send out.

#### **New Business**

- **None**

*Dave Edgington made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Phil Sabo seconded. A vote was held. All board members present agreed (7).*  
The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 pm

Next board meeting will be a hybrid meeting on Monday, May 8, at 7:00 pm at 15 Lookout Dr., East Haddam, CT and via a Google Meet.