

# SPIDER LAKE SPRINGS CAMPERS ASSOCIATION

# **Draft Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting for January 20, 2019**

#### **Directors Present:**

President: Henry Helin (D07)
Vice President: Elaine Layman (G13)
Secretary Debbie Graham (B05)
Treasurer: Robert Scantlebury (A-19)

Section A: Ken Leahy (A20)
Section B: Dave Clark (B04)
Section C: John Adams (C48)

Section D: Teresa Nielsen (D37) – absent with regrets

Section E: Lottie Legros (E21)

Section F: Doug Hogg (F23) – absent with regrets

Section G: Wendy McLeod (G14)

#### 3 Delegates were present

1. President Henry Helin called the meeting to order at 1001 hrs.

## 2. Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion to Approve Consent Agenda by Dave Clark, seconded by Elaine Layman. Approved

#### 3. Social Committee Report

- a. Ashtrays/benches there is a need Items have already been purchased and will be placed at the start of the camping season
- b. A better PA system is required for BINGO etc to be purchased from social fund
- c. Planning a camper appreciation weekend, possibly with a band and potluck dinner will not be on a long weekend. Committee following up
- d. **IMPORTANT** the resort requires someone to take on organizing the **BALL TOURNAMENT**. Please help out where you can!
- e. Easter egg hunt is planned looking at possibly including a pancake breakfast
- f. There will still be the horseshoe tournament, meat draws etc, but going to mix it up a bit this year.
- g. Last year was great fun thank you to all who assisted and please don't hesitate to help out!
- 4. **Treasurer Report** yearly maintenance bill have gone out. If you have not received your, please contact out treasurer. Please note that the rates increased by \$100.00 and the hydro came up by ½ a cent.
- 5. **Maintenance/Manager Report** report is attached. Also looking to see if our resort insurance will cover any windstorm clean up. Please note that if you have had damage to your trailer/sleeping unit etc, you will need to contact your own insurance company for this.

#### 6. Old Business

a. Natural playground—Elaine received 1 reply to her inquiries. She is going to forward pictures to the company to see if this is a viable option. More exploration will be



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done before the board commits any money to the project. Elaine needs volunteers to sit on a committee and welcomes anyone.

b. Picnic tables – some have been ordered however with potential cost of storm cleanup, not all were purchased at this time. Staff has no time to assemble etc at this time so it will be done in the spring.

#### 7. New Business

a. The Proposed Budget for 2019 was approved.

Meeting adjourned at 1104 am

Next meeting is February 17, 2019 at 1000 hrs in the store.

Everyone is welcome!

### December 2018 & January 2019 Management Report

- 1. A trapper has been hired to attend to the issue of den excavation around the edges of the ponds. It has been necessary to employ both live-capture and lethal traps. Three animals have been trapped so far and the culprits are muskrat, not otter as believed. The excavation of new dens has continued without any further captures. On the trapper's next visit more traps will installed in a more condensed area to improve the odds of success. Traps will then be moved around the park at this higher density until no further den action is observed. A note on the lethal traps: these are only being utilized in the water near den sites to minimize the risk to pets and our communal cats.
- 2. On the topic of our communal cats, we lost one on January 6<sup>th</sup>. She was found unresponsive, but alive on the side of Grumbach Road in F-section during morning rounds. She was immediately taken for veterinarian care, as an emergency case. I met the vet at her clinic and it was determined that the odds of survival were almost non-existent. Hissy was humanely euthanized and returned to 'The Springs'. The vet noticed that she had an ear tattoo and from it was able to determine that Hissy was at least 17 years old. I had (and still have) a soft spot for Hissy because she wasn't exactly friendly, but I was able to earn her trust to the point that I could pet her. This is a sad loss for the entire maintenance crew. I must add that our vet would not accept payment for her services.
- 3. We have taken delivery of our new tractor and installed the backhoe attachment to it, everything is functioning as intended.
- 4. Following the windstorm I made several trips through the park assessing the damage to sites, units, common property, trees and infrastructure. I made many calls, but only to those most severely affected. Items that did not make the call list were fences, gazebos, small structures such as wood sheds, etc. It is possible that items have still been missed, the park is huge. Updates regarding the situation up here were posted to both the Facebook page and the SLS website by Julie. The updates included my offer to reply to anyone, at any time, that emailed me with specific concerns about their site. Many campers made use of that offer and I answered them as I received them, most of them with photos.
- 5. I have hired a tree service company, they will begin work on Wednesday, January 16 beginning with any trees currently in contact with camping or sleeping units. Removal of the remaining leaning and compromised trees will follow. None of this work is for tree removal requests submitted to the office, it is strictly for trees that were damaged or compromised as a result of the windstorm. The annual tree work will be scheduled for sometime between March and June.
- 6. The wastewater system's EOCP classification has expired and must be renewed. To that end I am digitizing the map of our sewer system and adding it as a layer to the map I have generated.

# December 2018 & January 2019 Maintenance Report

- 1. The float at Main Pond has been completely rebuilt and is anchored in its previous location.
- 2. The gutter at Clubhouse repaired and reinstalled to reinforced new sub-fascia, new fascia planed, cut and stained prior to installation. Soffit not yet installed. All gutters in the park have been cleaned & resealed.
- 3. Air pump and water pump from Dog Pond have been removed, Air pump has been rebuilt. These will be reinstalled in the spring after a concrete pad has been poured and repairs made to the small pump house.
- 4. Alterations and improvements to the office are underway, but completion is on hold due to the aftermath of the windstorm.
- 5. Bridge parts continue to be stained. Natural elements for the bridges have been harvested and prepared for use, they are currently drying out prior to receiving stain.
- 6. Select Fire Hose boxes have been brought in for repairs, they are currently drying out.
- 7. Clean-up after windstorm. This single item has monopolized the majority of staff hours since December 20<sup>th</sup>.
- 8. The Bobcat backhoe attachment has been successfully installed on the new tractor.