

Lake Entiat Lodge Associated Meeting of the Board of Directors

February 20, 2016

TIME AND PLACE

The Board of Directors of Lake Entiat Lodge Associated met Saturday, February 20, 2016. The meeting was held at the Sun Cove clubhouse in Orondo, Washington & called to order by Board President Mr. Russell at 9:03 am.

PRESENT

The following directors were present: Dan Russell, John Howgate, Ryan Haggard, and Darrell Richards. Walt Wheeler attended remotely. Staff members Jeri Fifer, Jason Knight and Jessicah Curry were also in attendance, as well as 2 Association members.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Russell presented the January 16, 2016 Budget Ratification Meeting minutes for approval.

Mr. Richards made a motion to approve the Budget Ratification Meeting Minutes as presented. Mr. Haggard seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Russell presented the January 16, 2016 Board Meeting minutes for approval.

Mr. Howgate requested a change to the Minutes reflecting the inclusion of the unofficial Facebook poll of the members regarding the date of the 4th of July Celebration.

Mr. Richards made a motion to approve the January 16, 2016 meeting minutes with Mr. Howgate's modifications. Mr. Haggard seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Mr. Russell reported that the Association was under-budget for 2015 by \$11,000, which was transferred to the Capital Reserve account as per the Association's usual accounting procedure.

Mrs. Fifer reported that the new Collections Policy is performing well: Assessment delinquencies are currently under \$7,000 for the year end 2015, as opposed to an average of approximately \$30,000 in past years.

OLD BUSINESS

Launch area clearing and development

A boundary-line survey will be performed to re-confirm the specific boundaries of the property in order for the contractors to clear and develop the site. Members with properties bordering the project area will also be contacted prior to the start date of March 15, 2016.

Mrs. Fifer requested further clarification in regards to leveling/grading requirements for the project. Board consensus was to have the Facilities and Maintenance committee, Nick Nelson and Darrell Richards, review and provide necessary clarification.

FireWise Planning

Chelan County PUD FireWise clearing project

Mrs. Fifer shared that the next step will be to obtain bids for the FireWise clearing work to be performed. The Association will continue to seek financial assistance from CCPUD for the FireWise clearing and future maintenance. Over the past year the Board consensus has been to focus on member and property safety and to move forward with this project while working to achieve the desired CCPUD cooperation. The Association is seeking volunteers willing to attend monthly CCPUD commissioner meetings to request financial assistance with the project.

Association sponsored FireWise community clean-up

A chipping/shredder service will be provided in late spring for all members use for the disposal of FireWise cleared debris from their private property. Memorial Day weekend is tentatively being considered for the date, pending contractor availability.

FireWise Community Recognition

Mrs. Fifer reported that the Association has completed nearly all the necessary requirements to obtain recognition as a Firewise community. Several of these benefits include free professional fire hazard assessments of each property and grant funds available to both the community and members. One of the requirements of this program is the creation of a FireWise Committee. Accordingly, volunteers will be needed to form this committee. Please contact the office at 509-784-1166 should you have interest in helping out.

Association/Wehmeyer Lawsuit

Mr. Russell relayed that the suit levied by the Wehmeyers (Association members) against the Association is ongoing and there is no new progress to report at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

Annual Membership Meeting

The annual meeting date is scheduled for April 16th at the Orondo School gym.

The by-law vote will take place as the first item of business and will only be voted on by those physically in attendance. Additionally, in regards to electronic attendance, it was noted that should the by-law change pass at the 2016 Annual Membership Meeting, remotely-attending members must be validated as members in good standing to receive the privilege to vote later in the meeting.

Agenda items were discussed. Mr. Russell requested that board members provide input to the draft agenda.

Mr. Howgate reported on the program and equipment requirements for electronic attendance at meeting. Association member Mr. Gamble has volunteered to assist. An operations manual must be compiled for future staff and board members to reference.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Rules & Regulations

Mr. Haggard volunteered to work with Mr. Wheeler to provide a “community-wide” draft of the Rules and Regulations. The rules and regulations will attempt to identify all rules to be enforced by Association staff community-wide.

Social Events

Mr. Howgate reported that the commercial grill rented each year for the 4th of July event has not been in good operating condition and suggested that alternatives be researched. Board consensus was for staff to research the purchase of a commercial grill.

He also suggested that the Chelan School District be contacted to possibly procure student volunteers for the 4th of July Celebration.

STAFF REPORT

Recycle Program

Mrs. Fifer reported that procuring a large roll-off container for recycling instead of the current bins would be cost-prohibitive. Board consensus was for staff to research options to make access to the existing bins more user-friendly.

Association Logo & Membership Poll

Mrs. Fifer presented logo(s) and trademarks related to Lake Entiat Lodge, Lake Entiat Estates and Sun Cove. Board consensus was to poll the membership to identify the desired logo and font to trademark as well as to provide direction/interest regarding logo wear and how best to retail.

The poll will also seek membership direction to finalize the date for our 2016 Association-sponsored 4th of July Celebration.

Short-Term Rentals

Mrs. Fifer reported that a member had requested detailed information regarding compliance issues and fines for short-term renters compared to non-rental properties. Currently, detailed logging of infractions and discussions with renters is not recorded unless a major infraction occurs. Discussion also included the rental fee being established to help with the costs associated with the administrative and staffing need to accommodate visitors unfamiliar to the community and the community rules. Board consensus was to deny the request, as the staff hours required to re-cap the past information and develop a new procedure to collect the information is not cost beneficial to the membership.

MEMBER CORRESPONDENCE

Members in attendance provided feedback on several agenda items.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:33 am. Mr. Howgate moved, Mr. Haggard seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by:

Jeri Fifer, Acting Secretary