

EPOA Board Meeting
March 19, 2011

Present: Bob Ingram, Jim Lyons, Tici Lutjen, Anne McKenna, Stan Wondolowski, Paul Mattatall and Bev Mattatall

The meeting was called to order at 9am.

There was a motion to activate Paul Mattatall and Stan Wondolowski as alternates. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

President's Comments - Bob said that he is going to move forward. There has not been a newsletter in a while. Bob will try to get one out soon.

The minutes of the October meeting were reviewed. Jim questioned whether his comment about the detail in the minutes should be included. A few typos were corrected. There was a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. It was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Treasurer's report – Tici was reimbursed for the food purchased for the VDOE Annual Meeting in February. We appropriated \$75. The costs were \$40 and \$20 and some change. We will ask Ande to email a spreadsheet. The cost of the canoe racks was a little less than appropriated and we got three instead of two. The cost was \$709.

Membership – A notice should go out in late April or early May. It is an opportunity for us to advertise what we are doing with our dues. The membership drive usually has a bill and a letter. How do we get to others who are not members? There was discussion that a coffee for interested people would not reach enough new people. We could do a mass mailing. We need to do this by email and regular mail. Can we get a list of owners from Nancy (administrator)? We should also have some assessment of member retention. The question of implementing a required beach permit came up at the annual Village meeting but it was defeated. We need to emphasize and look at what is important to people. Homeowners are concerned about the tax assessments. This should be addressed once a year in the newsletter. It should go out by regular mail to land and homeowners. There was a motion to send out mailing with a cover letter and an info update and marketing to non-members with an appropriation of \$500 to accomplish this. The motion was seconded. We should ask for a verification of the correct email address. The vote was unanimous. Bev will mail a copy of the newsletter to Stan as he does not get email at all regularly.

Jim suggested that the mailing be personalized with out stuffing it and labeling it. Bob asked Jim to write a cover letter with a cost chart. Jim asked for suggestions from each board member about what should be included in the cover letter. We discussed having an info update about what the EPOA does in Eidelweiss and some information from the newsletter. We could include the social events and the cost of the events as well as the money value of the water testing and the highway cleanup and the manpower involved, etc.

Should we consider doing the ski tickets again? That program was definitely a perk to EPOA membership and perhaps some people are not joining as we no longer have it.

Under the prior program SKI NH would only discount tickets in \$5000 increments. Tici has the last email from them. We had been selling \$35,000 in ski tickets for 25 years. Correspondence – Tici said there was not much of interest. There was an email about a red canoe on Eidelweiss beach in March. There was something about the water hookup fee that she referred to the VDOE. The owner at 19 Oak Ridge was looking for a recommendation about propane gas companies. Maine Gas used to give Eidelweiss owners a deal. Amerigas claims to have a discount for Eidelweiss property owners but there is no written agreement. Could we contact some of the companies and renegotiate something this summer? Stan said that you have to own your tank personally to be able to switch companies easily. If the company that is delivering owns the tank they will not allow you to change to another company without changing the tank. Jim says that he has discovered that Maine Gas, Amerigas and White Mountain interchange the tanks on paper.

Beautification - We will hire someone in the spring to do the routine watering after the Committee does the planting. Should we ask Dave Rowe if he is interested? We need to check with him on his hourly rate. We have the hosing in place. The areas that need regular watering are: the flagpole, the entry sign, across from the sign and the mailboxes. Stan or Dorothy will contact Dave and ask him for a flat rate per week or month. There was a motion to allocate \$500 for plantings the was seconded. The vote was unanimous. There was a motion to clean up the scenic view this spring and to appropriate up to \$500. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Town and Village – Was there any other information other than the election results that are pertinent? The issue of requiring parking permits for the beaches was defeated. The water fee for landowners was defeated. We should talk to Bob Borchers about the spring runoff this year.

We set May 21 for the highway cleanup and a shared Italian Dinner. We will ask the Commissioners for use of the Lodge on May 21 and May 28. We are not sure of the date of the Valley Cleanup. There was a motion to have the highway cleanup and board meeting and shared dinner on May 21. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

There was discussion about getting a gift card for Applebees for Wendell to thank him for the day of work he donated to help dig out the bases for the canoe racks. There was a motion to appropriate \$50 for that gift card. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous. We discussed asking Peggy Dickinson to clean the Lodge prior to May 21. There was a motion to appropriate \$250 for the Lodge cleaning. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Annual Meeting Discussion – Tici and Ande’s terms are up. We should ask Dennis if he will sign on for a three year term. There are openings on the board. We need volunteers to help with projects and events. There was a motion to appropriate up to \$250 for the food for the Annual Meeting. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous. The next meeting of the EPOA Board will be Sat, May 21 at 1pm. There was a motion to adjourn at 10:50am.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly Mattatall, Secretary