

EPOA Board of Directors Meeting  
September 18, 2010

Present: Bob Ingram, Ande Craugh, Jim Lyons, Paul Mattatall, Dennis Simmons, Bev Mattatall and Guest Gloria Aspinall

The meeting was called to order at 9:15am.

There was a motion to activate Paul Mattatall. This was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Bob reported that we have an estimate for the clean up of the scenic view. The commissioners do not want any rotor tilling up there. The dirt is not deep enough and there are water lines up there that they fear would be cut in the process. Ande, Ralph and Dorothy worked on this proposal. They would like the flat low shrubs trimmed, the area weeded, the brush cut back including 4 feet outside of the fence, the stone areas “sprayed, and the area mulched. The estimate is: \$495 for the mulch

\$140 for the cleanup

\$85 for the rotor tilling

We discussed that it did not make sense to do the mulching before the spring. There was a motion to approve the \$160 for the cleanup and weeding contingent on Ralph’s gardening expertise to do these things in the fall or the spring. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous. Bob will forward Ande the agenda.

Canoe racks – Bob has called and left messages with Mike Stagliano. Gloria presented her diagrams for the placement of canoe racks at Geneva Beach. The commissioners would like the EPOA to approve the construction of two canoe racks (one at Geneva and one at Porridge Shore). We had appropriated \$600. Mike Stagliano said that the cost of the materials is approximately \$150 and the labor would cost \$16 per hour. We had appropriated funds for the racks to be built at Thusis and Eidelweiss but the commissioners prefer Geneva and Porridge Shore. The commissioners have discussed that we will reach a maximum number of spaces at some point and that they would recommend a lottery for spaces if this were necessary.

Bathroom repairs – Stan obtained two estimates for replacing the fixtures in the Lodge bathrooms and installing a vanity in each bathroom. Greg Meade said the job would cost \$450 plus the cost of the fixtures. Scott Winters said that he would charge \$60 per hour and that it would be \$500 for the fixtures. Both of these prices would be about \$1000. When we were thinking that Pete Craugh was going to do it we appropriated \$750. The overhead light in the ladies room is not working. Gloria will have an electrician look at it when he is here. The village owns the Lodge and the EPOA improves it. Gloria purchased 24 mousetraps and decon for the pump houses. The Lodge will be open until the shared dinner on the 16<sup>th</sup> of October. We decided that it would be OK for Pete to do the work. It is a one-time job rather than the regular maintenance we are talking about in the gardens etc. If he runs in to trouble we will contact a plumber. Both Dennis and Bob offered their help to Pete if needed when they were available.

The mailbox painting is coming along and looks great.

Minutes – There was a motion to approve the minutes of the August 14 meeting as presented. It was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Treasurer’s report – Ande presented a comparison chart of the current year and last year and it appears the dues figure is significantly down but it may be because of how

the dues come in over the two fiscal year period. According to our records we had 223 members in 09 and now have 153 in 10. We need to get another newsletter out as this generates interest among the membership. We have relied on emails rather than regular mailings to everyone. The regular mailing is much more costly. We are losing some of our older long time members. We need to get newsletters to everyone. We could try to get a better list of homeowners from the VDOE or the Town Hall. Should we establish a membership committee? There used to be a membership committee and then most of the work was turned over to the treasurer. There is a balance of \$6829.54 with \$400 or \$500 in the ski ticket account. We need to work on increasing revenue. There was a motion to approve the treasurer's report as presented. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

There was no need for further money appropriation. The only email correspondence was about the scenic view cleanup. The Beautification Committee was previously discussed. Paul Mattatall reported that the environmental work is finished for the year. The three state water testings were done and the regular weekly bacteria testings were fine. There were summer purchases of the battery for the electric engine and two new coolers for the VLAP testing program.

Socials – The hike to the top of the world was very successful. There were 25+ hikers. We are planning a shared steak dinner on Oct 16. We discussed having a membership Open House brunch in late April or early May (possibly a Sat or Sun brunch at a restaurant or at the Lodge.)

Newsletter – Dennis does a monthly newsletter for his office and he and/or Monica might be able to help out with our newsletter. Items to be in the newsletter:

Playground and environment activity from the summer

Thank yous for mailbox area painting – Ande, Dorothy Bev Tici and Ralph

Remove kayaks and canoes from racks by Nov 1. The new racks should be ready in the Spring.

Intent to enhance/restore the view at the Scenic View at the top. Bev will contact Damon Tree Removal to give us an estimate after the leaves are down and we will ask the Commissioners for permission to do it in the spring.

The Highway Cleanup is Oct 16. Bob will contact the program in Tamworth and ask them to drop off the materials at the DPW building.

We decided to hold the next board meeting on Oct 23 at 9am at the lodge.

There was a motion to adjourn at 10:45am.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly Mattatall, sec pro tem