

# PRESERVE ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023

6:00 p.m.

## MINUTES

### Resident Forum

**Meeting call to order:** by President, Tim Rush at 6:02 pm

**Present:** Tim Rush, Paul Musegades, Chris Domnisoru, Traci Bartz, Shon Clark, Kent Wood, Michael Beukema, Lisa Hokkanen, Tara DeCrow, Cindy Fuchs (Admin), Scott Anderson (General Manager)

**Agenda approval:** Any changes or additions? Tara made the request to amend the agenda to include MN Earns Sick and Safe Time and to discuss Pham Thi Hoa joining the Audit Committee.

Resolve to approve amended Agenda. Moved by Kent and seconded by Michael. Passed.

**Approve Minutes:** August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Resolve to approve the minutes of August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Moved by Paul and seconded by Traci. Passed.

### General Manager's Report:

- **Pool update**
  - Attendance increased a lot in last 30 days, ended at 10,229, second best since 2015.
  - Pool closed for the season at 8pm on Labor Day.
  - Doggie day was Sept 5<sup>th</sup> 5-7pm, very popular with about 70 dogs this year.
  - 2 umbrellas for adult beach have been ordered for \$8,000.
  - Dive well has been winterized.
  - Sand pool almost winterized.
- **Grounds update**
  - 10760 Woodwatch has been cleaned up by the owner.
  - Will be treating 2 Oaks along Nesbitt trail for two-line chestnut borer (\$800)
  - Discussing with Rick about treating 3 Elm and 2 Oaks in the Neville planted area (\$3000).
  - Goats are gone, they did a good job. Looking at potential new areas for next year as well as planting ground cover in areas they have finished.
  - Goat petting day was a big hit.
  - Will continue to remove sick looking and smaller ash trees as long as weather allows.
  - Working with the city on a cooperative grant with the MN DNR to treat, remove, and replace Ash trees.
  - Continuing to water trees.
  - National Lands Day – Volunteers removing buckthorn. 9/23
  - Preparing for Fall/Winter.
- **Office update**
  - Beach BBQ had 28 people.
  - Back to a four-day week, office closed on Mondays until June.
  - Fall newsletter will go out this week.
  - 5K, Hay Ride and Fall Tasting are scheduled.

### Committee Reports:

- Design Review-YTD, 54 requests. Committee is still working on preparing recommendations regarding proactive vs reactive approach to garbage cans.
- Investment-New allocation in place.
- Maintenance – looking into pricing for an electric utility vehicle big enough to transport crew and equipment. Getting quotes for replacement equipment at High Point tot lot
- Landscape-received Garden summary from Bridget (The Preserve master gardener) with recommendations for spring and summer plants. The committee will be meeting to discuss recommendations.

### Board Discussion:

- Fence at 10830 Forestview. Scott has been working with home owner for over a year. Action plan: Will remove fence and bill home owner.
- Chris suggested using tennis court area for dog park in winter. Discussed the potential effect on the surface of courts.
- Coontail removal bid- reviewed bid for \$43K to removed Coontail in Neill Lake

Motion was made by Tara not to approve the bid to remove Coontail at this time. Seconded by Lisa. Passed.

- Dues for 2024 – Budgets – need decision at October meeting.
  - CPI in 2022 = 6.5%
  - CPI in 2023 = 3.2%
  - **Dues currently \$375** (Board can authorize up to a 5% increase without membership approval)

1% = \$4 = \$379 = \$6,772 – additional revenue

2% = \$8 = \$383 = \$13,544

3% = \$11 = \$386 = \$18,623

4% = \$15 = \$390 = \$25,395

5% = \$19 = \$394 = \$32,167

To stay in line with inflation and the Reserve Study a Motion was made by Kent to raise dues to 3% for 2024. Seconded by Tara. Passed.

### Board Business:

Tara spoke with Pham Thi Hoa; she would like to join the audit committee. Motion made by Lisa to approve Pham Thi Hoa in joining the Audit Committee and seconded by Paul. Passed.

Tara presented the MN Earns Sick and Safe Time and other laws that will take place on 1-1-24. All employees including seasonal employees who work at least 80 hours in a calendar year are eligible. She will get more information at the next meeting and will give her recommendation.

### Upcoming Events:

- National Lands Day September 23<sup>rd</sup>
- 5K run/walk Sunday October 15<sup>th</sup>
- Hay Ride Saturday October 28<sup>th</sup>
- Fall Wine & Spirits tasting November 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Blood Drive November 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Santa's Visit December 18<sup>th</sup>

**Adjourn Board Meeting** moved by Paul and seconded by Kent at 8:22 pm.

Next Meeting Date –October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – 6 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Cindy Fuchs, office admin

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