



**Potawatomi Property Owners Association (PPOA)
Board Meeting
Saturday, April 24, 2010**

Board Members Present: Jeff Brittan, Dianne Hess, Dawn Pittman, Leonard Benser, Greg Roman and Vern Wilcox

Absent: Jim Hardy

Association Members Present: Henry and Gladys Aukee and Mark Holm

President Roman called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

Minutes from the September 26, 2009 meeting were read. Vern made and Dawn seconded a motion to accept the minutes.

Financial Report:

- Dawn distributed the budget report through March, 2010. Income received thus far in 2010:
 - Assessments - \$15,135
 - Rentals - \$7,400
- Expenses year-to-date are \$23,147.82.
- Dawn stated there will be a tax liability of approximately \$1,800 this year due to the sale of the lot in 2009.
- Leonard made and Dianne seconded a motion to accept the finance report.

Caretakers Report:

- Jeff is expecting many more rentals for the upcoming season.
- Jeff recently purchased a wheel barrow and tools.
- Dawn made and Greg seconded a motion to accept the caretaker's report.

Old Business:

Firewise Plan/Chipping

- President Roman handed out the newly created Fire *Safety Program for Potawatomi Property Owners*. It was submitted to the main Firewise office in Madison and approved as PPOA's Firewise Plan. Thank you President Roman for your work on this plan!
- Marty Kasinskas from the DNR has secured the funds for the PPOA chipping days scheduled for June 26th and September 11th. Dan Duval, of Barnes, will be doing the chipping and will be paid by the DNR. Details on the chipping will be in the May copy of the Drumbeat. Greg also distributed a self-assessment sheet entitled *Hazardous Fuel Reduction Around Your Home and Cabin* put out by the Wisconsin DNR.

Sale of Lot

- The lot located on George Lake, that didn't sell in 2009, will be put up for sale this spring. Vern made and Dawn seconded a motion that we contact Webb Realty to list the property; asking price was set at \$65,900.

Junk Car Ordinance

- President Roman has received numerous calls regarding the junk cars on a lot located on Red Oak. He has contacted the county attorney and the Town of Barnes. He has been assured that the Town Board is working on an ordinance regarding this problem.

Collection Agency

- Dawn will create a report on outstanding association dues. Information will be obtained regarding costs for hiring a collection agency to collect these dues. Information will be discussed at an upcoming meeting.

New Business:

Board Member Terms

- Dawn reminded the Board that Leonard Benser, Dawn Pittman, and Dianne Hess will have completed their 3-year terms this year.

Removal of Bats

- Due to health concerns, Jeff contacted a bat expert with *Bats by Day* out of Ashland. The company did an assessment and it was determined that approximately 1,000 bats reside in the buildings on the Island. This company would check, seal and install excluders for each building. (The excluders let the bats out but would prevent them from re-entering the buildings.) This would need to be completed before June when the young bats are born.
- The bid was for \$3,345.00 which includes guaranteed work and re-checks.
- Vern made and Leonard seconded a motion to get a second bid and that a bid is awarded **before** the next Board meeting.
- Bat houses would need to be provided for the displaced bats (it is a law). It was suggested that the Board find a volunteer/volunteers to build the bat houses and place the houses on the Island. Association member, Mark Holm stated he may be able to find volunteer/volunteers to perform this task.

Furnace Replacement

- Furnaces need to be replaced in the Lodge and the Lakeview Cabin. Representatives from Arch Heating and Cooling will inspect and submit a bid. A second bid will be obtained from another contractor. The bids will be discussed at the next Board meeting.

Campground Road

- President Roman and Firewise representative, Marty Kasinskas are working on completing the grant for the Firewise Program to upgrade the well at the PPOA campground as well as improve the road to the campground. If the grant monies are received, the Town of Barnes has shown an interest in helping PPOA improve the campground road since it would benefit fire fighting efforts in the area.
- The Town of Barnes will keep the PPOA apprised as to the logging of the stump dump near the campground.

Dogs Running Loose

- Many calls from PPOA residents have been received regarding dogs running loose in the area. President Roman will be talking with the Town of Barnes on this issue.

Septic Pumping

- Association member Gladys Aukee suggested that the Board provide more information on septic pumping at the annual PPOA meeting in August.

President Roman shared a thank-you note received from the family of former Board member, Bonnie Buck.

Vern made and Dawn seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Thank you to the Association members that attended the meeting.

A special thank you to the board members and Jeff, Lisa, and Greta from the Pittman family that helped with raking on the island!

Kudos to Dawn Pittman for coordinating the lunch and a thank you to Fran Roman for providing the tasty desserts!

Next Regular Board Meeting: Saturday, May 29, 2010

Respectfully submitted by Dianne Hess



CLEAN-UP DAY 2010