

Minutes: Indian lake Shores Fire District Council

October 10, 2013

Members present: Pat J. Giarrusso, Pat L.Giarrusso, Bob Persson, Jim Eastwood, Hiro Uchida, Stu Westin, John Mycroft, Kathi Spangler, and Kevin Donohue

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM

The secretary's report from the last meeting (April 25) was read and accepted.

The treasurer's report was read, discussed and accepted.

- Members reviewed the list of expenses paid and upcoming expenses, compared to what was budgeted. Some items were a little over, but some items were slightly less than expected, so we are about even.
- There was a discussion about the collection of unpaid, overdue (in some cases years overdue) taxes. Hiro presented prototypes of the letters that will be sent to delinquent homeowners and they were reviewed and approved. There will be three letters with a final reminder in January that properties will be put up for tax sale. Hiro will look into how much it costs to file a tax sale.

Old Business:

Jan Armor has created and sent out a nice e- newsletter. It will be a great way to spread news and to keep the community informed, at least the people who have signed up to receive the newsletter.

Pat J. reported on progress with the geese population problem... The three people from Indian Lake were the only ones who attended the workshop set up by The Rhode island Conservation Districts. All three people will be trained in methods to reduce the geese population. Training will take place in the new year (possibly Feb or March). It was suggested that members of the other associations surrounding the lake might be interested in joining the effort. Pat J. volunteered to contact them.

There are 4 or 5 boats still left at the south beach area. A new sign will be posted on the bulletin board reminding residents that personal property left after November 1 will be disposed of.

At the annual meeting, it was brought to our attention that the memorial tree planted to honor Janet Gould appeared to be dying. Jane Bessette spoke with the nursery where the tree was purchased and has taken steps to revive the tree.

The railings on the north beach dock still need to be removed. A crew committed to meeting 10/17 to remove and dispose of the railings.

A question was raised as to whether the landscaper can/will remove accumulated seaweed and debris raked up on the north beach. He will be asked.

The south plat totem pole is still in the process of being painted. Pat J. will contact Mary Wright (who is doing the painting) and try to set a date to replace the totem pole before the ground freezes.

Pat J. will contact the parent of the young man who struck the totem pole. It is unclear whether he carried insurance, and we are hoping to recoup some of the money spent to repair and re-install the pole.

New Business

Most residents have been notified and are aware that United Water is looking for a substantial increase in water rates.

We were offered a volleyball set up for our playground, but the consensus was that the liability would make it too risky.

The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, January 21, 2014.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15PM

Respectfully submitted

Pat L. Giarrusso

Secretary, Indian Lake Shores Fire District Council