

Ess Lake Association Board of Directors Meeting

Minutes October 24, 2020

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:10 am at Mark Pollard's house. Board members present: Mark Pollard, Sharon Quist, Cheryl Leach, Aimee Smith, Jim Badour, Shirley Daugherty, and Geoff Denstaedt by phone.

Meeting Minutes Review: The minutes of the board meeting of July 25, 2020 were reviewed, with a first motion for approval being made by Cheryl Leach with a second motion from Geoff Denstaedt, all were in favor.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's report of July 25, 2020 was submitted by Sharon Quist. A first motion for approval of the report was made by Jim Badour with a second motion by Shirley Daugherty, all were in favor.

Bills for Approval: No bills to approve.

Additions to the Agenda: A family from Long Lake Association would like to join our association.

Public Comment: None

Old Business:

- **Review Board Goals:** The board goals were handed out to all board members and reviewed.
- **Website:** The Variance & Building approval forms will be added to the current website. Jim Badour reported that the new website will be up and running soon. It will have a member area where the above documents will be, along with a potential way for association members to pay online if they choose to.
- **Tennis Courts:** The tennis courts are being used more now that they have been refurbished. Many residents have commented on how nice they look. Thanks to Aimee Smith for getting this going.
- **Lot #115 Legal Issue:** There was supposed to be a disposition scheduled with the resident of lot #115 by the attorney's. The two attorney's met and are taking items back to the lot owner. Attorney fees acquired so far have been a total of \$3,000. Mark to talk to the attorney this week and ask what the time line is for the resident to get back to both attorney's.
- **Canal Update:** There was nothing completed this year due to having issues getting stone from the supplier. Mark Pollard is going to modify the origin plan to put in 40 feet of seawall on each side of the canal. Canal Duckweed: Mark had Aquatic Nuisance review the duckweed issue in the canal. This person said that the duckweed can spread to the lake, so it does need to be treated. This would be a problem in the lake where there are little to no wave action. This is spread into the lake by boats and kayaks going through the canal. The cost to the association to treat the canal would be approximately \$5,000.00. Mark will look into getting a grant from the state or an independent association.
- **Road Conditions:** Ess Lake road was scheduled to be resealed this year, however there was an issue with getting stone for this project, so it will be completed on 2021.
- **Variance Request for shed by Long Lake:** No official form has been submitted for this project. Mark will send them the form and also inform the township that our restrictions are a 75' set back, which contradicts the township set back of 45'.
- **Status of building projects:** Lot # 94: This is finished with the four season room and will resume in the spring. Lot# 131: The foundation and floor trusses are in, along with it being covered as planned for this year. Building will resume in the spring. Lot # 67: The footings are in and the trailer has been removed. Campbell: Working on the garage and waiting for trusses. This will be partially completed.

- **Letter to Governor:** There has been no response to the letter that was sent about the trees that were taken out of the state land at the end of Red Pine Drive.
- **Committees:**
 - **Ess lake Garage Sale:** No update
 - **4th of July Activities:** No Update

New Business:

- **Letter on Shed Color:** A letter was sent to the resident about a white colored shed that does not blend in with the current house or surroundings. The resident responded that the white color matched the doors on the house. This did not match what the original plan said that was approved, which said it was to be the same or similar color as the house. This will be tabled for next meeting. Sharon Quist to send out to the board members, what the original plan stated so that it can be reviewed before a final decision is made.
- **Variance on trailer parked and stored on property(4cases):** Four residents have asked for a variance to park campers on their lots. A first motion was made for the approval to support a variance to allow storage of a camper on the back lot #87, 88, and 89 by Aimee Smith, with a 2nd for approval from Cheryl Leach, there was one additional approval and 4 against the approval. The motion was denied.
- **Fence on Lot #61 and 62:** A plan needs to be submitted for this fence for approval.
- **Letters for sheds on lot #78 & Lot #22:** Mark will send letters or talk with these lot owners.
- **Basket Ball Court – Establish a separate Area:** There is a need to separate the basketball court that is currently on the tennis court. The board is looking at the area adjacent to the tennis court for this. It may only be a ½ court. A committee made up of Sharon, Cheryl, and Aimee will investigate and gather costs. A first motion was made to establish a basketball court area by Cheryl Leach, with a second motion by Sharon Quist, all approved this motion. Cheryl, Sharon, and Aimee were appointed for this committee.
- **Ess Lake Association Member Directory:** This will be put on the new website under the protected member area that members will need to sign up for to gain access.
- **Request to approve the Building Form:** A first motion was made to approve the new building form by Sharon Quist, with a second motion from Aimee Smith, all approved. This will be posted on the website for access.
- **Request to add a member from Long Lake:** A motion was made to accept a member from Long Lake that is not in the Ess Lake Association. This person would be a dues paying member. This motion was tabled until the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Written and submitted by Jim Badour

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