

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Date: March 1, 2018

Time: 7:30 pm

Place: RRA Clubhouse

Directors Present: Tom Sopko, Dave Emick, Jack McMillin, Jim Swartz, Shawn Morris, John Lindemann

Directors Absent: John Martin on leave

M-1-3-18

A MOTION was made to accept the resignation of John Martin as directors. Moved by Jack McMillin. Seconded by John Lindemann. Roll Call Vote: all present approved.

M-2-3-18

A MOTION was made to appoint Rick Brothers to fill John Martin's space as director. Moved by John Lindemann. Seconded by Shawn Morris. Roll Call Vote: all present approved.

M-3-3-18

A MOTION was made to accept the minutes of the Feb. 1, 2018 Regular Meeting. Moved by Jim Swartz. Seconded by Jack McMillin. Roll Call Vote: all present approved.

M-4-3-18

A MOTION was made to accept the minutes of the Feb. 12, 2018 Special Meeting. Moved by Jim Swartz. Seconded by Jack McMillin. Roll Call Vote: all present approved.

Treasurer's Report:

TREASURER'S REPORT
JANUARY 2018

Jan. Operating Income	245,902
Jan. Operating Expenditures:	
Expenses: 82,086.80	
Loans: 5,545.83	
Capital Imp 36,355.30	
Jan Expenditures:	- <u>\$123,988</u>
Jan Fund Balance	\$121,914

Cash:

Jan 2018 121,914

Cash YTD \$121,914

Cash at End of Period

Cash on hand Dec. 31, 2017 \$222,862

Gain (Loss) this year \$121,914

Cash on hand Jan 31, 2018 \$344,776

M-5-3-18

A MOTION was made to accept the Treasurer's Report. Moved by Jim Swartz. Seconded by John Lindemann. Roll Call Vote: all present approved.

Manager's Report:

Operations Manager Report

March 1, 2018

Dan Mullins

I am glad to report that the weatherman was wrong with their predictions for February. They stated in late January that February would have above average snowfall events and very cold temperatures. We were glad to see that they were wrong. Warm temperatures and the lack of snow events has allowed the Association to get a jump on maintenance repairs before the start of the 2018 season.

I am happy to report that Wi-Fi service has been installed at the clubhouse and will be available to all members in good standing. Please contact Jen Addair at the office for the password. I would also like to bring attention to the Association's new Facebook Page, and an extra thanks to Jen Addair for her effort on building this project. On the RRA website there is a link under the "community tab" to the Rome Rock Association Facebook page or from Facebook you can just type in Rome Rock Association.

The Association is working on final details of the early Association dues

payment policy. We are hoping to roll this new policy out within the next month, details will be forthcoming.

The warm temperatures and the lack of snow was probably a factor in the low turnout for the stars Winterfest/Winter Movie. I cannot give enough thanks and gratitude to the consistent volunteers that organize these events. A special thanks goes to Jen Addair, Barb Buckley, Yvonne Gibson, Jennie D'Amicone, Joyce Misinec, and Danielle Jackson. While on the subject of volunteerism, the Association would like to ask for any volunteers willing to help on the special events. It can't be left up to the small group that has been consistently helping out over the years.

A reminder to the residents the annual Polar Bear Plunge will be held on March 10th at 1 PM at the clubhouse.

President's Report:

President's Comments

March Board Meeting

March 1, 2018

Board Actions in the Past Month:

1. The Board voted to do a Ballot type survey. Including the following issues:
 - a. Whether food and beverages should be allowed inside the pool areas.
 - b. What is the interest in other amenities. And how to pay for them.
 - c. The Board asks that Members make suggestions.
2. The Board voted to provide WiFi at the Clubhouse area. It is now in service and will be in service year-round.
3. The Board voted to study monthly dues payments in an effort to implement monthly payments. Many Members have commented that they can afford \$75/month and cannot afford \$750 all at once. It was a suggestion brought to us by Ed Baitt based on Member feedback. The Board is targeting to begin this in June of 2018, for the 2019 season.

Board Actions Tonight:

1. John Martin has resigned from the Board. His resignation needs to be accepted. John's remaining term is 1 year and two months.
2. A new Board Member will be seated. The Board will be at full strength which is seven.

3. Candidates for the upcoming Board election have to attend three regular Board meetings in the past year. The policy for monitoring Board Meeting attendance has been by signing in, however, it is not in the bylaws. Two Nominations are in question. The Board will decide if and how these Nominations are accepted.

Commentary:

What is Indemnification and Why Do We Have It? Indemnification which includes Directors and Officer Insurance protects volunteer Board Members from the costs of lawsuits and other legal claims whether criminal or civil. Indemnification should encourage Members to be on the Board because their personal assets are protected. Indemnification is now in question and under attack. Personally, I would not risk my retirement which took 40 years to build, to be on this Board if it were not for Indemnification. Put yourself in this position, would you risk your home or all your assets to manage this Association? Understanding Indemnification was my primary focus before deciding to join the Board; using a third party law firm to help in that evaluation. No volunteer Director should be personally sued, imprisoned, accused of a felony, or have his/her life destroyed by another Member. These lawsuits and legal claims are the true money wasters of the Association and Community. Association Members need to step-up and question the accusers, as Members now question the defense decisions of the Association. Remember the Association Board of Directors represents you the Member. These actions could be handled internally by the Community if we truly “working together”. These accusations are designed to intimidate the Board and to make the Board look bad, nothing else.

Director Election: For the upcoming Director election, it is my recommendation that you ask questions to understand the intentions of candidates. Vote for candidates who are truly interested in the long term direction of the entire Association. And not those Candidates that are just interested in their own immediate short term personal agendas.

Reports Of Standing Committees:

Legal-none

Budget & Finance-none

Lake Management-planning on advising the board as to the signage needed. Ongoing ideas to help with the geese problem.

Lake Safety-has been suggested by Lake Safety to raise the boat fee \$10 to pay for the buoys

Village Liaison-New police chief sworn in, new Waste Mgt contract, what to do with the burnt down house on Lake Vue.

Board of Review-none

Building & Facilities-repair the clubhouse roof.

Administration-none

Amentities-ideas that have come up- ice skating rink, exercise trail around Columbia Dr. Tiki huts. Meets one hour before the board meeting.

Clubs:

STARS-Meeting on Feb 14th planning for future events—maybe Reverse Raffle. Fish Fry with the Friends & Neighbors in Sept.

Friends & Neighbors-a week tomorrow at the Pasta Oven at 6 pm. RSVP

Fishing-\$20 to join, put the money back into the lake in fish-will be having kids fishing days

Polar Bear – March 10 at 3 pm is the Polar Bear Plunge- 1 pm with have hot dogs, chips for sale \$55 to jump-all money going to charity.

Old Business-none

New Business-

Matt Conway withdraws his request to run for the board.

M-6-3-18

A MOTION was made to accept the Affidavit for candidates to fill out if they did not sign the sign in sheet to the meeting. Moved by Dave Emick. Seconded by Shawn Morris. Roll Call Vote: all present approved.

Member's Comment's:

Bank eroding by Spanish Cove.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:53 pm.