

## ANNUAL STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

Sunday, September 19, 2021

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairperson Salerno called the meeting to order at 11:07 am.

The first order of business was the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. James Collins led the pledge. A moment of silence followed for deceased members, friends, and soldiers abroad and all victims of 9/11/01.

Ms. Salerno then asked Ms. Battreall, Assistant Secretary, if she had presentation of proof of due calling of the meeting. Ms. Battreall stated that she had proof of the proper sending of the meeting's notice. Ms. Salerno asked Ms. Battreall if she had proof of the list of stockholders. Ms. Battreall stated that she had the list of Stockholders including members in good standing as of July 31, 2021. Ms. Battreall stated that there is a quorum for the meeting with seventy-four stockholders either present or by proxy.

Present: Ms. Salerno, Mr. Andrews, Ms. Mytych, Mr. Janecek, Ms. Myers, Mr. LaRocca, and Mr. McGuinness. Absent: Ms. Rubini, Mr. Duffy, and Mr. Sarno.

### **ACCEPTANCE OF MOTION FROM THE FLOOR:**

Chairperson Salerno asked if there was a motion to either read or waive the minutes of the previous Annual Meeting. Mr. Mytych made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the 2020 Annual Meeting. Seconded by Ms. Morris. Unanimous. Chairperson Salerno asked if there is a motion to accept the minutes of the 2020 Annual Meeting. Ms. Collins made the motion. Ms. Enos seconded. All in favor. Motion approved. Ms. Salerno announced that the polls were open and asked if anyone had a proxy or wish to change their proxy. There are six positions open and seven candidates running, at this time. The Inspectors of Election, Caitlin Lee, Brianna Kane, and Catherine Morris will take the oath of inspectors and then proceed to the office to count the ballots.

Ms. Salerno then opened the floor for any questions or comments from the Stockholders. Ms. Tompkins asked if COVID affected the number of quarterly payments that were in arrears. Ms. Mytych referred to Ms. Battreall to answer. Ms. Battreall reported that she has been following this closely and when she thinks there is an issue, she contacts the stockholder in question and the stockholder brings in payment.

Ms. Salerno then presented the Chairpersons Service Award 2021 to Cathy Morris, Hugh Andrews, and James Collins.

There were more comments and concerns from Stockholders:

Pat McShea would like chairs back at the beach as the weather is still nice. Ms. Salerno explained that prior to lifeguards leaving us for school, she wanted them to fully clean the beach.

Next year we will think about it. If there are items left out on the beach, people will think there are still lifeguards and that is a safety issue.

Ms. Enos stated that the speed bumps at Leahy Lane are too low. Mr. Andrews will look at them. In addition, the catch basin at the bottom of Leahy Lane will be rebuilt as well as the stop sign being re-installed.

To protect the children waiting for the bus in the morning at Ramp 2, we will have the blocking horses up there for the parents to place when they get there in morning, and then move away once the bus comes.

Linda VanScoy inquired as to if there is a map where the water shut off valves are at houses. Mr. Andrews stated that since the sewer plant went in, some of them are not on the map anymore. Mr. Andrews said he is aware of the issue and is dealing with it.

Millie Martin gets water running down her driveway when it rains. Mr. Andrews will investigate it.

Ms. Myers explained the "Naming Opportunity Committee": if anyone would like to honor, memorialize, etc. a friend or family member, there are many ways it can be done. You can pay for the Grove to purchase a bench at a location the Grove and the donator thinks is suitable, and a plaque will be put on it; if you want to have a tree planted, prices will be supplied, and you can decide what tree you would like to donate. Benches have been donated at the beach and playground. One family donated a piece of new equipment for the playground.

Mr. Waltzer reported that he has not seen a report from the Lake Association yet, but the lake is doing much better. The "sechy" dish has been much better which means the lake is cleaner. Alum treatment last year has worked, and Mr. Waltzer is still seeing alive CARP which means the lake is improving.

Ms. McShea asked if snails are good for the lake, Mr. Waltzer said they are bottom feeders, and he does not know the answer to that.

Ms. VanScoy said that she notices Styrofoam tiny white pellets ate the water line at Beach.

The Election Committee returned, and Ms. Salerno officially presented Cathy Morris with her Chairperson Award with flowers.

The results of the election: Julie Salerno, Sarah Broderick, Joan Myers, Jill Olimpieri, Tom Duffy, and Dawn DiDomenico.

Chairperson Salerno asked for a motion to ratify the actions of the Board for the last 12 months. Ms. Andrews made a motion to ratify the actions of the Board for the last 12 months. Ms. McShea seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

## **Reports of Committees:**

Ms. Salerno thanked Ron Sarno for his time serving on the Board.

Ms. Mytych, Treasurer of the Board, then read the report from the Groves Auditor, Peter Rossi, who could not attend the meeting:

Overall, the financial statements remain strong and consistent with prior years. Cash balances remained the same as last year 2020. Overall net income before depreciation was \$57,460. Excess net income was used as follows:

1. To pay the principal balances on the water tank loan and truck loan.
2. To purchase a snowplow for the truck.
3. To make improvements including boat storage area.

Thank you to the Board and it is a pleasure working with Ellen and the administrative office during the year regarding budgeting, income and expense variances and various other financial data. Overall, the budget compares well to the actual results. This shows that the Board takes their responsibility to Vail's Grove seriously.

And as always thank you very much Cindy who provides consistency with the financial data (especially important), continues to make the audit go smoothly and keeps the financial data of the Grove in good order.

Ms. Salerno thanked the stockholders for their attendance and continued support.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm. We ask that all attendees to immediately exit the Pavilion, keeping Social Distancing in mind. The Board of Directors will immediately have a short meeting for the purpose of swearing in the new Board members and to elect the Executive Committee for the coming year.