

VAIL'S GROVE COOPERATIVE, INC.

BOARD MEETING

October 15, 2020

CALL TO ORDER:

Ms. Salerno called the meeting to order at 8:05 pm and asked all to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE:

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

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

Mr. LaRocca made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 17, 2020 meeting. Mr. Andrews seconded. Ms. Rubini and Ms. Mytych abstain. All others in favor. Motion approved.

COMMUNICATIONS NOT INCLUDED IN REPORTS:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CHAIRPERSON:

I want to once again thank Mary Rubini for stepping in to the role of Chair when Frank took ill, and for the lovely words expressed at the Annual Meeting.

- There have been many stockholders expressing concerns over the amount of trees that have been and are still being removed from the Grove, however they are relieved to hear that we are going to be replacing trees and that the stockholder has the ability to contribute to the replacement of those trees with a dedication in their loved ones name.
- There are many new faces in the Grove, either by purchase or rental. I would like to propose that we have a semi-annual new neighbor gathering to introduce and welcome new members. This would start in the Spring of 2021 and would be organized by the recreation and Lend a Hand committee's

VICE-CHAIRPERSON: No report

VICE-PRESIDENT: No report

SECRETARY/ OFFICE

I would like to hold a Blood Drive in December in memory of Frank Cassidy.

Please remember that according to the Conflict of Interest, responses to emails from me should be made in a timely manner. Also, reports for Board packet should be in office by Tuesday mornings at 8 am.

Attached to Board Packet is follow up list – The most recent items are at the bottom – October 2020.

I do not plan on doing a new Directory this year – the office is incredibly busy and waiting 6 months or a year would be easier.

You should have received a list of the Board meetings for the coming year – They were e-mailed to you Board last week.

In discussion, it was decided that residents will be sent information sheet in January mailing and an addendum will be sent out to attach to 2020 directory.

TREASURER:

Ms. Mytych made a motion to raise maintenance fees 1% for 2021. Ms. Rubini seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

FINANCE/INSURANCE: No report

REAL ESTATE:

Mr. Duffy asked for a motion to be made to approve plans from Kerry and Fran Tolan for home addition/expansion into yard and adding a second story pursuant to plans submitted to Board. Mr. Andrews made the motion. Mr. Sarno seconded. Mr. and Mrs. Tolan were present at the meeting and stated that they worked with Mr. Duffy prior to going to the architect to be sure all plans were in compliance with Grove rules. The Vails Board did approve a variance to allow for the plans. Neighbor letters were sent. The motion is contingent on confirmation of Mr. Duffy's approval of the Datum. All in favor. Motion approved.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:

Buildings and grounds is continuing to disinfect the playground and also the pavilion. Recycled leaf bags, when available, can be found out in front of the maintenance garage. Seasonal decorations in and around the pavilion have been done. B&G has finished the roofs at the mailboxes on ramps 4 and 5. New roof finished on the school bus shed at ramp 4. B&G continues to work with Foleys pump service to resolve electrical issues in pump house. B&G will continue roadside pick up at the beginning and end of each week, weather permitting.

PAVILION:

Mr. Andrews made motion to approve rental application for small room on November 14 from Janet Murphy. Ms. Rubini seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

SUNSHINE:

Condolences to Michael Sowa and family on the passing of his mother. A thank you note from the Cassidy family was received.

MEMBERSHIP:

Mr. Andrews made a motion to approve rental application from Pat and Jessica Fitzgerald to rent 2 Terrace. Mr. McGuinness seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

Mr. Andrews made a motion to approve membership application from Carol Terilli to purchase 22 Orchard Road. Mr. McGuinness seconded. Ms. Rubini abstained. All others in favor. Motion approved.

Mr. Andrews made a motion to approve membership application from Sarah and Mike Broderick to purchase 44 VLSD. Mr. McGuinness seconded. Ms. Rubini abstained. All others in favor. Motion approved.

Mr. Andrews made motion to approve membership application from Paul and Sheila DeFelice for 81 VLSD. Mr. McGuinness seconded. Ms. Rubini abstained. All others in favor. Motion approved.

Mr. Andrews made a motion to approve re-finance application from Matthew Luccarelli. Mr. McGuinness seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

LEGAL: No Report

BOATS RAMP/NORTH END: No Report

PUBLIC HEALTH/PUMPHOUSE:

The water tanks need to be inspected every 10 years to determine necessity for cleaning. This will be in 2024. A camera is inserted into the tanks and that produces a report, which then gets submitted to NYS.

There were some electrical issues at the Pump house. There was an issue after we got a surge during the storm we had in September. A new contactor was installed.

There was also an issue due to wear and tear. A flow switch needed to be replaced to fix electrical problem.

LEND A HAND:

Helen Vail suggested the creation of a committee whose sole purpose is to plan for and respond to natural and other emergencies which might affect the health and well-being of our residents. The job of this committee might be to supervise the use of our pavilion as a charging station, as well as a source of water, ice and refrigeration during an interruption in power. This committee might also be responsible for the dispensing of precise, accurate and important information to our residents via multiple formats such as Facebook, text, email, robo calls and notices posted at the mailboxes.

Board member Ron Sarno volunteered to head this committee and to come together to create a plan. If anyone is interested in serving on this committee, please let the office know.

The Lend-a-Hand committee received another thank you note – this one from the Town of North Salem – for thanking first responders with food, drinks, etc., with money raised by the sale of the VG Strong hats.

BEACH: No Report

PLEC: No Report

RECREATION: No Report

OMBUDSMAN: No Report

DONATION OPPORTUNITY: No Report

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.