# INDIAN MOUNTAIN PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION MINUTES OF MAY 11 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The meeting was held at the IMMD Community Center and called to order by President Larry Siverson at 10:40 a.m. Board members in attendance: Joy Hines, Jeff Mason, Jim Scherrer, Marcia Logan, Rhonda Cates, and John Thompson.

# **Introduction of guests:**

 Michelle Connelly (CUSP), Bev Bushaw, Carmen Neu, Carl Neu, John Getrost, Dwight Cates.

#### **Public comments:**

• None

# **Agenda changes:**

- Newsletter
- MailChimp

# **Minutes of April meeting:**

• On a motion by Jim Scherrer and second by Joy Hines, the board unanimously approved the April, 2019 minutes.

# **Financial report:**

• Treasurer Jeff Mason reported assets as of April 30, 2019.

Bank of the West checking: \$36,396.09

Synchrony Bank money market: \$ 26,564.22

Synchrony Bank Certificate of deposit: \$25,701.12

Jeff also reported PayPal at \$86.78, IMPOA merchandise inventory at \$5,005.00 and petty cash on hand \$62.00.

• On a motion by Marcia Logan and second by Rhonda Cates the board unanimously approved the April, 2019 financial report.

## **Membership report:**

- Membership director Marcia Logan reported that as of May 9, 2019 membership was 611. Member dues total \$32,430 including \$5,005.00 in donations. Marcia has 1325 Email addresses. We had 607 members at this time last year.
- During the Saturday workshop a comment was made about the IMPOA membership having dropped off by half after the water business was brought to a close. This rumor is incorrect as we are currently at the same level as before the water business was brought to a close.

• On a motion by Jim Scherrer, second by Jeff Mason, the board unanimously approved the April, 2019 membership report.

# Business manager report:

- IMMD has asked IMPOA to provide the tent, tables, and chairs at a cost of \$1666.00 for the Annual picnic. Additionally the drinks and dessert are \$200 making a total estimated cost of \$1,866.00 for IMPOA. IMMD will provide the main dish.
- Rhonda made the motion to provide these picnic funds to IMMD. Joy seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by the board.

#### LUR and covenants:

• Larry Siverson has talked with some of the people who got letters that were erroneously sent out about campers on their properties. He is still working on completing the task.

#### **Roads:**

- Larry Siverson left messages to make an appointment with County Road and Bridge to locate the radar speed sign poles, preferably near the Community Center.
- With construction starting on Hwy 285 there could be some traffic issues on Elkhorn and through Indian Mountain.

#### **Firewise**

- CUSP grant monies, up to \$17,000 over 3 years are for mitigation only. The grant is 'earmarked' for Indian Mountain.
- Michelle Connelly with CUSP, (719-649-2402, 719-748-0033) attended the IMMD meeting previous to this IMPOA meeting and presented needed information on the differences between "chipping" and "mitigating" our properties.
- Chipping is not covered by the grant. The chipping costs the individual \$85.00 an hour which is a reduced rate because of the grant.
- Only mitigation is covered and individuals have to contact CUSP directly and try to get portion of the grant that is earmarked for IM to mitigate their property.

# **New Membership:**

Welcome Committee Luncheon

- Joy Hines has contacted the Visitors Center, Business Connection, and the old Court House Heritage Center. She picked a number of fliers from these entities for the luncheon.
- Joy priced out food at around \$600.00

- There has been little response from new property owners. There were several suggestions
  on how to get the word out. The suggestions included; put a notice on the board at the
  CC, make copies of the Spring Newsletter available, use USPS in the form of a post card,
  and get these cards put in post office boxes.
- On a Motion by Jim Scherrer to approve funding for the previous list of methods to announce the Welcome Luncheon, and a second by Larry Siverson, The board unanimously approved the funds.

#### **Old business:**

## Air Curtain Burner Update –

- Bev Bushaw provided the IMMD proposed fee structure that came out of the Saturday work shop. After rough budgeting on the part of both boards it was determined at that meeting that IMMD will need help from IMPOA to be able to use the Air Curtain Burner. The IMMD board is requesting \$6,000.00 to \$7,000.00 from IMPOA to cover the gap between the collected fees and the cost of the burner. These numbers are based on a 500 load maximum at approximately 2 cu. yds. per load.
- Discussion took place over the many topics related to providing funds to assist IMMD for the burning of the burn pit. After analyzing the current reserves and looking at moving a few items to a later date in the 2020 budget the board came to a conclusion that for the good of the community, it is important for IMPOA to provide monies for burning the pit if required.
- These funds will be considered a pilot project for one year to get better information on the actual cost, feasibility and sustainability of the Air Curtain Burner.
- Jim Scherrer made a motion the IMPOA provide funding, with the amount of funding to be determined under a separate motion, to IMMD to aid in burning the Burn Pit this summer or fall. The motion was seconded by John Thompson. The Board unanimously approved the funding.
- Jim Scherrer opened a discussion on what the amount of and conditions for funding would be. Numbers between \$7,000.00 and \$10,000.00 were discussed. The final number decided upon was not to exceed \$10,000.00. These funds are to be used for the burning of the pit if the Air Curtain Burner is necessary. The money will be provided to IMMD when asked by their board when they burn the pit.
- A motion was made by Jim Scherrer to provide up to \$10,000.00 to IMMD for burning the burn pit this season with the stipulation that IMMD will monitor the quantity of slash so the amount does not exceed the 500 load maximum, and to then stop taking loads until

the pit can be burned under the current IMMD/IMPOA burn pit budgets. Rhonda Cates seconded and the board unanimously approved the motion.

• Bev Bushaw, President of IMMD thanks IMPOA for their contribution!!

## Approve addition of new logo

• Jeff Mason made a motion to approve the new LOGO that is being used on the IMPOA banner as an official logo. Joy Hines seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

## 2020 Budget

- Jeff Mason opened discussion on the 2020 BUDGET. The board will set aside time during the June board meeting to set goals for next year.
- Cattle guards, fencing were discussed. The cattle guards will be budgeted to include 1 to 3 a year until we get them all installed. Larry Siverson currently has the material and tools to keep the fences in good order. Larry will set up a day for a small group to walk the fence line and take notes as to where repairs are needed.
- Bev Bushaw was asked about a cleanup day, this activity is yet to be coordinated.
- Suggestions for items to be included in the budget are a donation for an upgraded sound system in community center, projector screen for the Community Center, and dollars to update the websites. Jeff will draft a 2020 budget for discussion in the June meeting.

# Open House

- Larry Siverson will coordinate with Bev Bushaw in planning the annual open house at the Community Center on May 26.
- Rhonda, Joy and John will not be at the open house.

#### **New Business:**

- Jeff Mason needs money for magnets to glue on the back of fliers for the welcome committee. Jeff will get pricing and we will approve via email.
- Newsletter Rhonda Cates reported that the newsletter went out to 1307 addresses. There were 17 bounces, and 2 unsubscribed. 604 opened the email. It was decided that we need to include in the 2020 budget the cost of USPS mailing of the newsletter.
- Rhonda Cates asked that Marcia Logan be allowed access to the MailChimp program so she can fix address issues in a more efficient manner. The board approved, and formal motion is not needed.
  - Larry Siverson asked for funds to be able to provide each board member with a note book which will contain all the IMPOA information pertinent to managing the

- association. Jim Scherrer made the motion to approve funding and Rhonda Cates seconded. The funding was unanimously approved by the board.
- The board members need to start thinking about the annual membership meeting in August and what we need to have included. Larry Siverson and John Thompson are up for re-election.

### **Public Comment:**

• No Comment

# **Community events:**

- IMPOA-IMMD open house, Sunday- May 26th 1:00 PM 3:00 PM
- Welcome Luncheon, Saturday June 15th
- Ute Indians in IM, Saturday June 22nd
- Annual Picnic Saturday, July 6th
- Dumpster day Sunday, July 7th
- Annual IMPOA Membership meeting Sunday- August 11th

Meeting adjourned at 12:40 pm. by President Larry Siverson.

Next meeting will be Saturday June 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jim Scherrer.