

Sky Lake - Highland Lakes Area Homeowners Association
Board Meeting Minutes
April 22, 2020
Held Via ZOOM Video Conference

President Rick Schermer called the meeting to order at 7:09 pm. Board members in attendance were: Mort Braverman, Bill Clayton, Marc Frankel, Marc Hurwitz, Freyda Hyman, Jacky Needelman, David Promoff, Stephanie Ruiz, Alexandra Alazrachi, Brenda Auerbach, Erica Chao, Sharon Curtis, Philip Holcman, Madeline Langbaum, Leigh Needelman, Cathy Pieters, Norman Pieters, Aaron Rubin, Cyd Sinai, Ahuva Stadlander, and Bob Weisblum. Attending as a guest was State Senator Jason Pizzo. Rick welcomed and thanked everyone for attending.

Minutes: A motion was made by Brenda, seconded by Ahuva to accept the minutes of the March 4, 2020 meeting. The motion was passed.

Treasurer's Report: David reported that as of April 13 we have \$26,799.62. A few requests for sponsor refunds from the Food Truck Night have been received and paid.

Membership: Freyda reported that we have 121 paid memberships for 2020 and 49 of the 2019 members have yet to renew. She suggested that when we are out taking walks we drop off membership brochures to our neighbors.

Parks: Rick attended the County Mayor's online conference to discuss the parameters for re-opening the parks. When a date (preferably a weekday) is known he will confer with Devon, the Park Manager. Initially it will be only for open spaces and single person basketball, but not the playgrounds. The MDPD will be heavy handed in enforcing the new rules. No masks will be required but social distancing will be.

Guest Speaker: Rick introduced and thanked State Senator Jason Pizzo for all that he's done on behalf of our area. Senator Pizzo has been meeting with Department heads to get updates. There was an open discussion with various questions. More rapid Coronavirus testing is coming. Are we going to open businesses too soon? Re-opening causes other problems, like increased child care needs and costs. The State budget will need to be re-worked, but the reserves are there. This will not effect the funding for the overpass. Independent contractors are eligible for Federal UI of \$600 per week but have to file through the Florida system. Additional questions covered insurance, the homeless and excess farm food.

Security: Rick reported that the County has decided that all security contracts for the Special Assessment Districts will remain in place for the next year. The communities will have input on the new RFPs after that period. We will eventually get a list of approved vendors to choose from.

New Business: Rick noted that the HOA now has a Zoom account so any committee that would like to meet online can do so. It allows for many people to meet safely for a long time period. Due to so many people working from home, this might be a good time for the committees to meet. There was a discussion on the need for the previously scheduled GMM on May 20: should it be cancelled or held as a Zoom meeting? It was decided that in lieu of the meeting, an email will be sent to everyone with updates on recent events in our area. Hopefully we will be able to hold our next GMM in September.

Upcoming Meetings: Board = May 13

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Submitted by Freyda Hyman.