

Indian Hills Peninsula Civic Club Minutes of Meeting on July 9, 2022

President Jeff Pitts called the meeting to order at 4:01. Dale Ann Ovelgonne immediately suggested a prayer for Garry Japko and his family as he is about to undergo heart surgery. Dale Ann then led the group in saying a prayer.

Approval of Minutes.

Attendees read the minutes of the meeting of April 9, 2022, prepared by Secretary Garry Japko and presented by acting Secretary Barbara Sanders. Dale Ann Ovelgonne made a motion to accept the minutes, and Fred Richoux seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous approval.

Treasurer's Report.

Treasurer Fred Richoux presented a copy of the report. The balance in the account as of the end of the second quarter of 2022 was \$12,459. He reported depositing \$1,483 during the quarter, mostly from membership dues. Some was also from the exercise class. Expenses during the quarter were \$4,042 mostly from insurance, mowing, and electric bills.

Mary Jo Aymes made a motion to accept the Treasurers Report, and Linda Horton seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous approval.

Nominations.

Jeff announced that it was time to select a nominations committee for the purpose of proposing a slate of officers for the upcoming October elections. After some discussion and some people volunteering to be members of the committee, it was suggested that we should go ahead and decide on a slate of nominees at this meeting. The officers present agreed to seek reelection and Jeff suggested that Michelle Torma, who was not present, would probably agree to continue as V.P. Lisa Luke then agreed to seek the Secretary position. After a unanimous vote of the members present, the following will be the official nominees for the upcoming October election:

Jeff Pitts – President
Michelle Torma – Vice-President
Fred Richoux -Treasurer
Lisa Luke – Secretary
Celeste Williamson – Sargent at Arms

Revisions to Bylaws.

Jeff Pitts outlined three changes to the bylaws that he would like to propose:

- Change Article 3.01 to add *Harbor Addition* to the list of subdivisions whose property owners are eligible for membership in the Indian Hill Peninsula Civic Club.
- Change Article 4.01-A to add *Sale or transfer of ownership of any real property owned by the Civic Club* as a fourth instance requiring a full vote of the membership (members present and written absentee ballots).
- Change Article 5.02 to agree with Civic Club's current quarterly meeting schedule. So that a nominations committee would be chosen at the *July* meeting (not August) and that a *special* September meeting be convened to hear the nominations from committee and allow for any nominations from the floor.

Mary Jo Aymes suggested also changing the number or frequency of Newsletters that must be produced and mailed out per year. She seemed to think that the bylaws stipulated that four Newsletters be sent. But nothing about Newsletters was found in a current copy of the bylaws. After some further discussion on these issues by various members, Lisa Luke made a motion to place the three proposed bylaws changes on the October ballot. Fred seconded the motion, and the motion was passed by voice vote.

Financial Situation.

Jeff stated that if our financial situation did not improve that we will need to consider an increase in dues. He noted that trimming the budget and a small increase in membership over the previous year have helped. Fred noted that we currently had 161 paid memberships this year and that it appeared that for this year we would be very close to breaking even. Jeff then reminded everyone that the bylaws allow for membership for property owners, spouses, and co-owners. He encouraged all who are eligible for membership to pay dues if they were financially able. He also stated that he is hopeful that some of the Harbor Addition property owners will join if the revision to the bylaws which makes them eligible for membership is approved in the October election. Jeff then suggested that we should all think about a dues increase and then discuss further at the September meeting whether or not to include a modest increase on the ballot for the October election.

Special September Meeting.

Jeff reminded everyone that we would be having a special meeting on September 10th at 4:00 PM to make a formal announcement of the Officer nominations and the other issues that will be on the October election ballot. The meeting is also to allow for any nominations from the floor for any of the officer positions.

Other Business.**Community Garden.**

Art Horton stated that the rules and forms for renting the garden plots were finalized and they wanted to lay out the plots in time for gardens this fall.

Ladies Aux.

Dale Ann gave a brief report on the financial standing of the Ladies Auxiliary. Dale gave some numbers, which I for some reason did not record, but basically she said that the Ladies Auxiliary was in good financial shape.

Adjourn.

Lisa Luke made a motion to adjourn, and Jeff seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous approval. Meeting adjourned at 4:50.

Submitted by Acting Secretary, Barbara Sanders
July 12, 2022