

**Indian Hills Peninsula Civic Club  
Minutes of Meeting of July 8, 2023**

President Jeff Pitts called the meeting to order at 4:00

**Approval of Minutes.**

Attendees read the minutes of the meeting of April 15, 2023, taken by Garry Japko. Katherine Bridges made a motion to accept the minutes, and Jerry Ovelgonne seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous approval.

**Treasurer Reports.**

Fred Richoux reported our 2nd quarter 2023 balance started at \$15,733, with an ending balance of \$13,400, with \$4,262 in expenditures. We deposited \$1,929, from dues, a rental and interest. He also noted, comparing July, 1 2022 to July, 1 2023 our balance is \$941 higher.

Dale Ann Ovelgonne reported on the Ladies Auxiliary balances. For the Ladies Auxiliary account, there was \$13,026.01. There is \$8,898.20 in the Road Fund. She noted bank statements were always late, and wanted to know how to get them sooner. Discussion followed on online banking.

Garry made a motion to accept the Treasurer Report, and Jerry Ovelgonne seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous approval.

Lisa Luke noted the Ladies Auxiliary approved a measure to use the money in the Road Fund to establish an Indian Hill Community Improvement Fund. They want to initially use it to make improvements on the Civic Club building. Dale Ann wants the money deposited in a separate account. Then any improvements made would have to be approved by the membership. The first projects proposed are cleaning the gutters, pressure wash the building, replace the screens on the windows, and remove all the shrubs around the building. We would have to get a price on these, before getting those done. Dale Ann said she does have an estimate, but needs to bring it before the Ladies Auxiliary. She asked if we could get it approved today, without a price. Discussion followed. Next, they propose new landscaping with shrubs, rock garden or the like around the building.

Question was asked whether we could use the Road Fund monies for other uses. Dale Ann said we should be able to, as there will never be enough money in the Fund to repair our roads. Lisa said she will be in contact with Commissioner Dubose regarding work on ditches in the neighborhood to prevent flooding.

Question was asked how the Road Fund was established, and is the issue now that we don't need it? Linda Horton recalled that we made a deal with the County to pay for half of any repairs, and that would come out of the Fund. Dale Ann noted some people directly put money in the Fund, and she wants to be sure we keep track of the Fund, and return money to anyone who put their money in it and wants it back. Lisa noted they went back to minutes from 2016 when the Road Fund was started. At the time the Auxiliary donated \$5,000 to the Road Fund. She also noted that the Auxiliary donated \$2,300 for the shrubs now in place.

Dale Ann asked if the Board intended to use any of the money in the Civic Club account for any projects like this. Jeff noted we will have to make repairs to the roof. Dale Ann asked about using our insurance.

A motion was made by Lisa to start the initial steps of the improvements and Bruce Baxter seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous approval.

### **Nominating Committee for Officers for 2023-2024.**

Jeff noted Garry wanted to rotate off, as does Michelle, so we need candidates for Vice President and Secretary. Bruce asked if we could just make suggestions now, and nominated Dale Ann for Vice President. Dale Ann then nominated Lisa for Secretary.

Jeff asked if we could table forming a nominating committee. A motion to table the nomination committee and accept Dale Ann for Vice President, and Lisa for Secretary was made by Bruce, and seconded by Mike Rowley. Motion carried by unanimous approval.

We still need to hold a meeting for nominations. As per the Bylaws the Special Meeting is held in September to accept any other nominations from the membership. It will be held on September 9.

### **Pond Fountain.**

Jerry asked if we should still look into a fountain for the pond. He asked if anyone has looked at a price. Dale Ann said Mary Jo Aymes got a quote of about \$2,500, for non solar. Discussion followed about pricing solar and electric and what kind of fountain, and water issues. Bruce and Jerry will look into it.

Lisa also noted other potential projects. One was a small pier over the pond. Also a pavilion at the Park, and replace the Heights sign to match the Point sign, and repaint the Point Sign.

### **July 4<sup>th</sup> Recap.**

Jeff noted we had about 40 entries. No one who won stayed for the presentation of trophies. Jeff was able to reach all three winners and gave them their trophies.

We bought 40 hot dogs, and they were all eaten.

He thanked everyone who worked it.

Dale Ann reviewed the Poker Run she held that evening.

Garry reported that thanks to Jeff's work, we questioned the assessment on the Civic Club building, and lowered our taxes by \$200. He made the case by doing comparisons of other subdivisions' similar buildings, and was able to get our valuation lowered.

### **Adjourn.**

Mike made a motion to adjourn, and Dale Ann seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous approval. Meeting adjourned at 4:50.

Submitted by Secretary, Garry A. Japko  
September 9, 2023