

MINUTES OF BLHA 2019 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2019 AT THE SHELBY TOWNSHIP BUILDING

President, Greg Gilbert, called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

Six members of the Board (Greg Gilbert, Craig Hawkins, Phil Krason, Kara Muszynski, Jason Stratton and Ginny Webster-Smith) were in attendance. A total of 68 association members were represented at the meeting.

The Financial Report was presented by Ginny Webster-Smith. All dues have been collected and all accounts have a favorable balance with sufficient funds available to cover anticipated costs for the balance of the year. Copies of the Profit & Loss Report for January 1st through October 14th were provided to everyone in attendance.

Greg Gilbert shared information on several Association issues:

1. Snow Removal - We will be utilizing the same services as last winter. Contractors are responsible for property damage ONLY when high visibility curb markers are installed. Call Greg immediately to report any damage.
2. The Paperless Initiative will reduce spending for paper, printing and postage, and help the environment. Except for the dues invoices, all communications will be via email and website. Make sure we have your email address.
3. Movie Night & Block Party events were successful.. We would like to see more "classic" cars at the Block Party next year; it is also a car show. If you have suggestions, let us know – or become a member of the Social Committee.
4. Cameras in the subdivision – We have 3 trail cams and 1 live camera in operation. Some of our members also have cameras. If you are victim of a crime, there may be photos available to assist the police in their investigation.
5. Volunteers - We need a few members to help decorate the front entrance for Christmas - we already have lights. We are looking for new Board members; one member did volunteer today. In addition to the front entrance, there are landscaped common areas on Hawkins & Lakepoint Courts that the adjacent members could help manage.
6. For Skunk Removal, contact Kara Muszynski. We have a specific contractor agreement where the homeowner initially pays the trap setting and animal removal fees, and the Association reimburses him for the removal fees.
7. Pick up after your dog. Many members are dog lovers. However, none of us enjoy picking up after someone else's dog. Carry your plastic bag and clean up after your dog when you are out for a walk.
8. Street drains need to be kept clear of debris, snow and ice. If you have a drain in front of your house, make an extra effort to keep it clear this winter. Clogged drains contribute to icy streets and hazardous driving conditions.
9. The Christmas Lighting Contest will be held again this year. In addition to the winners selected by the Franklin Meadows Association Judges, our members will vote to select a winner for the Peoples Choice Award.
10. Watch your speed on Kramer & Watkins. Please contact Shelby Twp police if habitual

speeding is observed.

11. Recreational Vehicle parking on driveways is becoming a problem. The maximum time permitted is 72 hours. If it doesn't fit in your garage, put it back in storage. It may be more convenient to keep it on your driveway, but that doesn't help improve our property values and your neighbors certainly don't want to see them.

12. Some Lawns and Landscaping look terrible. In spite of regular watering, cutting and fertilization, the grass, shrubs and trees in our yards will deteriorate as they age. If you have weeds in your grass or overgrown/dying shrubs and trees, take care of them. If your neighbor has these problems, offer him encouragement and help to fix them.

13. By-Laws revisions – everyone in attendance received a copy of the 5th Amendment to the BLHA Restrictions. Members not in attendance will be mailed a copy. Are there any questions or comments? There were none.

Dan McCoy presented the Bannister Lake Report. Members need to be vigilant and keep chasing the geese. It can be expensive if we have to hire Goosebusters. Ian Fleming could not attend the Meeting

Phil Krason & Phil McPartlin discussed the Hawkins Lake Budget & Equipment.

There are sufficient funds in both Lake Accounts and all lake treatments have been completed for the year.

Greg Gilbert removed himself as a Board candidate and Ray Kamp was acclaimed a member of the Board. There were no votes cast by the membership, as there were only 4 candidates for the 4 openings.

Additional issues were discussed with members in attendance:

1. The wood fence along M53 is deteriorating. Who is responsible for it – MDOT, the County or the home owner?
2. Can we block off pedestrian traffic at the south end of Ben Franklin? At least put up a Keep Out sign!
3. Call the township to report any derelict/junk or unlicensed vehicles.
4. The township police and ordinance office are there to help us. If you call them, they do respond.
5. Greg has resigned from the Board. But he's our #1 volunteer so he will still be active in the Association!

As there were no further items, the meeting was adjourned.