

MINUTES OF BLHA 2018 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2018
AT THE SHELBY TOWNSHIP BUILDING

President, Greg Gilbert, called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM.

Five members of the Board (Greg Gilbert, Phil Krason, Kara Muszynski, Terri Singelyn-Jarosz, and Jason Stratton) were in attendance. A total of 71 association members were represented at the meeting.

The Financial Report was presented by Phil Krason on behalf of Treasurer, Jack Vander-Schrier. All accounts have a favorable balance with sufficient funds available to cover all anticipated costs for the balance of the year. However, expenses are in excess of income due to increased spending for maintenance, street sign replacement, snow removal and storage. Copies of the Profit & Loss and Balance Sheet for January 1st through October 23rd were provided.

Greg Gilbert shared information on recent Association issues:

1. The Decorative Crabapple tree at the front entrance has been trimmed for the first time ever.
2. The Board has negotiated a reduced price agreement with a local contractor to assist members with skunk removal. Members will pay \$125 to the contractor when traps are set on their property. When animals are captured, the Association will pay \$60 to the contractor per each animal removed. Members should contact Kara at kara@blhashelby.org for additional information.
3. The reflective back grounds and lettering on all the street signs have been replaced. Unfortunately, 3 of our Watkins signs were immediately stolen and had to be replaced again.
4. We had more participants than the 22 who signed up for the September Sub held jointly with Cedar Lakes.
5. Despite the rainy weather, attendees at the August Car Show had a great time. Next year we hope to call it a Block Party so it will be clear you don't have to be interested in cars to come out and join your neighbors.
6. Ducks and geese seem to be fewer this year. Not feeding them and chasing them away really helps.
7. There were 3 car break-ins in Cedar Lakes, and 1 in our Association. Let's all be vigilant.
8. As technology improves and prices drop, we will continue to upgrade our security cameras.
9. Our new approach to snow removal worked well last winter and we'll continue with it this year. We have a contractor with larger trucks to plow more efficiently, and another contractor with smaller trucks to do secondary cleanup where required. Members need to put up curb markers for the contractors to be responsible for damage.

Phil McPartlin presented the Hawkins Lake report on behalf of Ian Fleming. Instead of presenting data, Phil announced that there will be major changes coming and Ian will have a lake meeting in December.

Phil Krason presented the Bannister Lake report on behalf of Dan McCoy. We continue to participate in nest destruction and goose roundup programs, but no nests were located this year, and E.coli levels have improved. Lake treatments will continue in 2019 and lake maintenance dues will remain at \$175.

The proposed Restrictions Amendment, sent out to all members, was presented and all questions were addressed. A handout with a Q&A and a Summary of the Proposed Changes was provided and is available for any member needing more information. Voting continues until 2/3rds of our members approve the proposal, or 1/3rd reject it.

Elections were held for three 2-year director positions expiring this year, plus a 1-year unexpired term for a director who recently resigned. The ballots distributed to each member at the sign-in desk listed five candidates for the four positions. The ballots were cast and collected. Volunteers counted the ballots and the four candidates with the most votes were: Kara Muszynski, Terri Singelyn-Jarosz, Craig Hawkins and Virginia(Ginny) Webster-Smith. A special thanks to our outgoing treasurer, Jack Vander-Schrier, for his many years of service!

Additional issues were discussed with members in attendance:

1. When there is a heavy snow fall, the County Road Dept. (MCDR) will eventually plow our streets if we don't.
2. If there is a violation of a Township Ordinance – call the Enforcement Office. They have the authority and the resources to have the violation corrected and collect fines.
3. Speeders on Kramer & Watkins – call the police. The more calls, the faster they'll take action!
4. Our streets are narrow. Call Greg if you need the NO PARKING THIS SIDE signs for any event.

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

Following the meeting, the Board elected officers for 2019: Greg Gilbert – President, Terri Singelyn-Jarosz – Vice President, Virginia(Ginny) Webster-Smith – Treasurer and Phil Krason – Secretary.