

GPOA Working Meeting at JB's House
Wednesday, 11 September, 2024, 2:30pm

1. Call to Order 2:40pm

2. Roll Call

All Board members were present: Renee Brochu (RB), Julia Burke (JB), Doug Cheek (DC), Andy Early (AE), Vickie Ryckman (VR), Hoben Thomas (HT).

3. Minutes Approved

The 19 August 2024 minutes were approved.

4. Treasure's Report

DC and AE discussed expenditures, and presented year to date 2024 budget figures. Balances as of 30 August: Checking \$33,495; Savings \$30,378.

5. Items of interest, and actions of the Board

5a 2025 Budget:

The main focus of attention and expenditure of meeting time was the 2025 GPOA budget which needs to be available 1 October. A main concern was the assembly, partitioning, and naming of the line items to provide efficiency in bookkeeping and transparency.

5b Bylaws:

The new Bylaws are effective 23 September, 2024.

5c: Mail Box Stickers:

Mail box stickers for 2025 will have the 2024 size and image.

5d 18 November Annual Budget Meeting Date:

Because of an Emerald conflict, the annual meeting will be on 18 November, not 4 November as earlier planned.

5e College Entrance:

The second or college entrance island has received landscaping attention.

5f Fountain:

The Board expressed considerable satisfaction in getting the Greenbrier Parkway fountain up and running, largely due to DC's effort.

5g Nature Park:

Issues concerning Nature Park were discussed, especially objects (park benches) carrying names of individuals some GPOA members believe should be memorialized. A major concern is that different individuals have different views as to whom should be recognized, and there exists no agreed upon criteria for doing so. This presents a potentially contentious dilemma. After considerable discussion, a motion was passed which states:

No object in nature park will carry a memorialization.

5h Website:

RB displayed her effort in getting a new GPOA website active, providing glimpses of what it will look like.

6. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:17pm

Hoben Thomas, Board Secretary

15 September 2024