

**GAPOA Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes  
February 22, 2020**

The Regular Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman, Rus Wright at 10:02 am.

Board Members present were Debbie Baugher, Debbie Turck, Lydia Price, Doug Price, Fred Turck, Cynthia Bruce, Anthea Haselden, Rus Wright, Rick Wilkinson. A quorum was verified by Cynthia Bruce.

Minutes from the November 9, 2019 Board Meeting were read, as submitted by Cynthia Bruce, Secretary. Minutes were approved.

Committee Reports were submitted:

Roads – new gravel was spread on Lisa Lane. Wesley asked about replacement of road culverts at 2 locations, and discussion followed about specific use for roads for additional assessment. Pete's Place – there is a culvert blocked, Wesley would like to start roadwork there around April 1. Discussion about future roads work. Debbie Turck said that a list of roads to be worked on needs to happen, and Fred suggested the Roads Committee would meet and drive around and look at each side road for planning future repairs.

Safety/Services – There has been a request to add to the lake some sunken buckets/branches that would act as habitats for fish underwater. The committee agreed to that, Fred Turck made a motion to allow the habitats, Doug Price seconded, and the motion passed. Fred reported on some vandalism at the bath house, and suggested motion lights. Cynthia Bruce made a motion to allow up to \$500 to install motion detection lights at the bath house. Lydia Price seconded, the motion was approved. New hang tags are out, and printed on a heavier card stock again. Fred reported on condition of the pier, which is 68 feet long, with an 18 ft 'T' at the end. Prior estimates of about \$2,000 was for material only, to replace the boards. Discussion followed, it was agreed that the work needed to happen for the 2020 season. Debbie Turck made a motion to allot up to \$3,000.00 for pier repair work. Cynthia Bruce seconded, the motion was passed.

Environmental Control – it was reported that there is 1 new home being built, the bond has been paid. Building permits were checked on for roofing, none are needed. A permit is required for a deck addition, Fred will clarify this.

Membership/Nominating Committee - no report

Treasurer - Debbie Turck submitted Budget report, explained line items. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Fred Turck, and seconded by Lydia Price. Motion carried. Also reported that the new float would be installed around the beginning of April. There was some discussion regarding an offer from Buck Shiflett that would allow for GAPOA to purchase a grader that he was retiring. After discussion, Rick Wilkinson made a motion to allocate up to \$3,500.00 after an inspection, and if approved by Wesley, to purchase grader. Debbie Turck seconded the motion, the motion was approved.

Legal/Insurance – Rick reported on 1 house sold, and 1 in possible foreclosure.

Activities/Welcoming – Lydia reported that the Christmas event went very well! Next event is the 4<sup>th</sup> of July float, and perhaps a Back-to-school event in August. We have 3 new GAPOA members.

New Business -

Lake report by Mike Casteel – Mike discussed the lake report by Solitude Lake Management. He recommended NOT applying chemicals to the lake for several reasons, one, as copper based algaecides kill algae, it breaks the cells of even toxic algae thereby potentially releasing even more harmful toxins into the environment. It might also lead ultimately to negative effects as it builds up in the soilbed. Mike does not recommend routine testing, because heavy use is seasonal. Results don't account for time between collection and results. If algae becomes visible, we can make postings for safe use of the lake. Discussion of a Secchi disc for environmental monitoring. Mike led a discussion on Harmful Algae Blooms that included commenting that goose fecal matter does contribute to algae formation and growth. He suggested collecting regularly and disposing of it away from the water. After discussion, Debbie Turck made a motion to create a volunteer position called Lake Quality Manager to monitor and report on general lake water quality and safety, who would report to the Environmental Committee. Anthea Haselden seconded the motion, motion passed. Mike Castile agreed to be the Lake Quality Manager, to monitor data and keep records.

Fred made a motion to have signs made to be posted to Swim at your own Risk. Lydia seconded the motion, motion passed.

Rick W made a motion to move into Executive Session to discuss legal matters and contracts at 11:25. Motion seconded by Debbie Turck. Motion carried.

Reconvene after Executive Session.

When the Board returned from Executive Session, discussion about Annual Clean-up, Earth Day 50 year anniversary is April 22, so April 25<sup>th</sup> was selected, from 9-12. Jennifer will create a sign for the mailbox area.

Fred Turck made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Debbie, and the meeting adjourned at 12:55.