

Fox Hill Lake Association
Board Meeting
Wednesday, November 17, 2021
Location: CVS Main Street-7PM-9PM

Members Present: Manuel Silva, Liz Cope, RoseAnne Nagle, Krenare Osmani, Janet Swift

Members Not Present: Ellen Burns

Motion to accept last board meeting's minutes.

VP's Report:

Asked for suggestions for a septic and a snow removal company to add to the vendor's list. MS has the contact info for a septic company.

Shared that the Ridgefield Thrift Shop has funds that they donate to various community places and LC will inquire about the possibility of applying for a donation from the thrift shop. She volunteers there and has a contact person.

Treasurer's Report: *See report at end of minutes.

October 1, 2021 is the new fiscal year.

PayPal: \$ 6,937.25 (as of Nov. 16, 2021)

FCB: \$ 10,794.53 (as of Oct.29.2021)

Total: **\$17,731.78**

Two more people need to be authorized signers on the FCB account-EB and LC will be added to the bank account. The four people on the account are: MS, LC, JS and EB. FCB will need a board resolution in order to make the changes. Signed board minutes will do.

JS needs to order a self-inking pad from Costco as they have a better price compared to the FCB bank (\$60).

Membership contribution forms need to go out by May, 1st for the 2022-2023 year, as it has been done in the previous years (not including year 2021)

Extra donations towards the Phragmites Project Fund covered the fall treatment this year.

Lake Plans:

Phragmites seem to have responded to the treatment and were told that the treatment goes down to the root to prevent it from popping up again. Plan is to spray again in the fall (September) 2022 and expand to other areas of the lake.

Bennett's Farm Dam(South Dam)-It has started to leak again in the same spot. It needs to be repaired. MS has reached out to the company that repaired the North Dam a few years ago but has not been able to get in contact with them. MS will keep contacting masonry companies that specifically work with dam repairs especially since we would need WBI approval for this repair.

The North Dam also needs repairs. It has started to leak on both sides. Both repairs are projected to be costly repairs .

Fox Hill Lake Walk Path-EB has spoken to Rudy Marconi about possible funds that were given as Covid relief, those funds cannot be used for such projects; however, the state soon will receive some funds from the infrastructure bill and that is a possibility to fund this project/improvement.

KO has looked into creating a possible online petition and it seems that Change.org is a viable option. Petition will go out to the community in early January 2022.

Spring Fundraiser/Activities:

Tag Sale either in April or May at Bennett's Farm Beach. (East Beach)

RN-Music Night during the summer with a food truck. Community can gather at one of the beaches. She will reach out to one of the neighbors, Gary, who is a musician and would do it at no cost to FHLA.

Rid Litter Day-it is a town based set date in which the town will come to pick up the litter that is collected by residents. Possible date in April. Community members can clean up adjacent roads and beaches.

Other ideas:

RN-Current Facebook Page is underutilized and we can have more of community involvement if there was an online platform for people to "gather"/share thoughts, ideas and give FHLA updates to the community. It seems that with the current FB page, members can't comment or post.

KO-Brought up the idea to close the current FB page and create a FB group instead. The purpose of the FB group is to create that online community. Will email Jason Peyser since he is the admin to close the current FB page.

RN and KO will create the new Facebook group page and invite FHLA members to join the group.

Next board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 16th.