

# **AuSable Acres Property Owners' Association**

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## **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES**

July 5, 2014

The General Membership Meeting of the AAPOA was called to order at 10:13 AM, President Rosemary Barry presiding. Other Board members in attendance were: Loyd Brewer, Pete DeFina, Phil Dooley, Paul Longenderfer, Tim Mainzer, Jim Phillips, and Joe DeMarco. Pat Levine was absent.

There were 33 Association members in attendance.

A motion was made approve the minutes from the 10/26/13 General Membership Meeting, as read. It was unanimously approved.

Guest speakers: Randy Douglas, Town of Jay Supervisor

1. Randy Douglas, Town of Jay Supervisor spoke about the project to install broadband service by Charter within AuSable Acres. Things have been progressing but not without delay. Randy hesitated to put a completion date on the project but most likely by the fall of 2015, at this point.
2. The Town has just received the contract and is in the process of going over the details.
3. The contract is not very specific regarding the level of internet speed service that Charter will be supplying.
4. Randy also spoke about the fact that the Town currently has an interim highway supervisor since Chris left. This will continue until the Town-wide election in November.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT AND PROPOSED 2014 BUDGET- Phil Dooley**

Phil distributed and reviewed the AAPOA's income and expenditures for the 2013/14 fiscal year (7/1/13 – 6/30/14). There were no questions regarding the report

### **ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE- Joe DeMarco**

Joe spoke regarding the past years' approved projects and those currently being undertaken. There were no questions

### **Trails Committee- Paul Longenderfer**

Paul reported that the spring trail day (May 10) was a success. He named and thanked all of the volunteers. They were able to complete some additional work on the Blue trail. There will be an additional trail day in the fall on October 10th.

### **MEMBERSHIP REPORT- PETE DEFINA**

1. Pete reported that we have a total of 267 members out of a potential of 678 (39%). We have 195 members with homes out of a potential total of 419 (48%). We have 65 lot owners as members out of a potential of 259 (25%).
2. That puts us ahead of this time last year when we had 244 members.
3. A reminder letter was just sent out to people who were members in the last 3 years who have yet to join.

### **Security Patrol- Bob Santisiero**

Rosemary reported for Bob that all weeks except for two have been assigned to volunteers. We need two volunteers for the weeks of August 10<sup>th</sup> and August 17<sup>th</sup>.

### **Picnic—Paul Longenderfer**

We are set for a good day at Lake Eaton

### **Planters—Mary Ann Dee**

Mary Ann asked that if we do get dry weather this summer please occasionally water any of the planters near your home and cut down any weeds.

### **Roadside Clean up- Rosemary Barry**

A group of 15 volunteers met and cleaned AuSable Drive, Sawmill, and Cross St. The next cleanup is scheduled for August 30<sup>th</sup> at 9AM.

### **Pavilion—Paul Longenderfer and Pete DeFina**

1. We have collected approximately \$15,000 at this point.
2. The total cost of the pavilion will be about \$20,000
3. We are on schedule to break ground on the foundation work later this summer and complete construction of the pavilion itself next summer.
4. It will be located near the old shuffleboard court.

### **President's Report—Rosemary Barry**

1. Rosemary explained the election of 3 board seat. Two people were previously nominated—Rosemary Barry and Loyd Brewer
  - a. Rosemary asked for any additional nominations from the floor.
  - b. Pat Levin was nominated and seconded.
  - c. There were no additional nominations from the floor.
  - d. Ballots were handed out and she explained that if people wanted to vote for Pat Levin that they would have to write her name on the ballot.
2. The bocce ball court is complete
3. There was a brief discussion of the 150 lot project. We have about 80 lots signed up.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. We have 25 tee shirts left. They will be for sale at the picnic
2. Rosemary explained the issue we have on Oak Hollow with a lot that was over cleared during the construction of a garage. The people are currently working to re-landscape their property. We are tracking their progress.
3. There will be a pot luck lunch at Lake Eaton on August 31<sup>st</sup>.
4. The next general meeting is scheduled for October 11th

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. A question was raised regarding the size of some for sale signs in the Acres. The board responded that we were starting to look into further defining commercial uses such as that.
2. A question was asked regarding what happened to the land trust that used to operate as a separate group and hold donated land as forever wild. Rosemary responded saying that the decision for that committee to longer continue was made before she was on the board. However, it was her understanding that an agreement was reached with the Town of Jay for us to no longer operate that committee in return for a very low tax rate on those parcels—there are 15 acres. The taxes are about \$15 per year on each parcel.
3. Rosemary announced the results of the secret ballot election for the 3 Board seats. Rosemary Barry 19, Loyd Brewer 18, Pat Levin 17, and 1 write-in vote for Mike Diehl.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further discussion, a motion was made, seconded and unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 11:17 AM

Respectfully submitted,

*Pete DeFina*