

Minutes from Ocean Pines Communications Virtual Meeting

March 17, 2022

In Attendance:

Cheryl Jacobs
Marlene Ott
Josh Davis
Jenny Cropper-Rines
Debbie Bennington
Greg Ellison
Audrey Wahl Guest

Meeting called to order 10:00AM

Cheryl made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting February 23, 2022 with the correction to the minutes

1. *"Cheryl reached out to Sherrie Clifford to join and has not heard back from her"*
 2. *"Moderate Town Hall Referendum for By-Law change proposals" "*
- Jenny 2nd the motion.

Old Business

Non-OPA Committee Chairperson's contact information

No information to share at this time through our liaison Josette Wheatley due to the death of family member our condolences are with her and her family. Cheryl asked for this item to be added to our meeting agenda for April.

Electronic Signage

Cheryl shared a meeting to be set with Chip Bertino and Jennifer Keener to see if they would approve the installation of one or two electronic signs without removing the current signs. The proposed meeting times are March 23, March 28, 30, 31st in the am. Cheryl to follow up with results at our next meeting.

Annual Meeting Attendance

Discussion of annual meeting attendance continued for a community Fun Day. Marlene reports she has some new owners to Ocean Pines that may assist with carnival activities Marlene to follow up with them. Josh indicated the annual meeting is always the second Saturday in August which would be August 13, 2022 . Marlene suggested us hosting another history panel discussion for a 5 minute presentation prior to the meeting with past and present Fire chiefs as well as former Police Chiefs. Jenny noted we could also include fire trucks and police cars for the children to see during this timeframe. Jenny also noted we need to start planning for this event sooner than later

Moderating Town Hall meetings(Community Survey Results and By-Law changes to the referendum

Cheryl handled the in person meeting and there were some issues with the automated camera, however Josh shared those issues had been resolved. Jenny handled the virtual part of the meeting. Josh indicated 16 virtual views and 66 video views for the meeting. The By-Law change meeting produced 41 virtual views and 174 video views. Jenny noted Cheryl did a wonderful job as the moderator for those meetings!

Committee Membership

Elaine Brady's term ends as of March 19th and Cheryl thanked Elaine for all of her years of service to this committee. Jenny's term ends April 23, 2022. The terms for committee members can be found in the annual report. Audrey is still considering becoming a member to the committee. Cheryl discussed that some of our committee members terms will be ending soon and encouraged suggestions on recruitment efforts. Marlene suggested the possibility of reaching out to the Presidents of the sections in Ocean Pines for example Colonial Village, The Parke, The Point, The Inner links. Discussion on getting more new owner volunteers for membership to continue next month. Cheryl suggested the possibility of inviting membership applicants to a Board meeting to introduce themselves and tell the Board about themselves to encourage residents and feel more valued.

New Business

Community survey regarding suggestions for Annual Meeting Attendance (Bernie McGorry offered to Assist.

Bernie suggested a quick survey with a few questions in regards to electronic signage. Audrey suggested the possibility of using survey monkey at no cost to the community. Bernie offered to draft questions for a survey.

Grants to fund Community Day Annual Meeting

Cheryl discussed the possibility of receiving sponsorships to help fund food and maybe prizes for the first 100 residents that could attend. Audrey did know of some grant work in the past and volunteered to reach out to the community foundation for a contact person. The Ocean Pines Chamber of Commerce could be another resource.

Stimulating Voting on a Referendum

Jenny discussed a task force to develop cliff notes or bullet points to make the information understandable to the residents. Suggested email blasts on the weekly newsletter or a task force to help develop this information.

Note to the minutes for Cheryl to reach out to the board in absence of Josette and in accordance with policy, to bring this information to Colette and to the board President. The committee suggests that the Board, or whoever is the appropriate group, develop some simplistic, layman's version of the proposed by-law changes before sending them out for a vote in the referendum.

Cheryl covered agenda of the Executive Council meeting which includes a review of Resolutions sections C0-01, 3(a), 3(b), 4(a), 4(b), 4(d), 4(3) and By-Laws section 10.07.

Motion to adjourn by Jenny and 2nd by Marlene

Meeting adjourned 11:08am.

Debbie Bennington, Secretary

Next OP Communications meeting is scheduled for April 21, 2022@10AM (virtual meeting)