

Tidewater Farm Homeowners Association

Annual Meeting

7:00 PM June 10th, 2020

Zoom Video Conference

Call to order: 7:10 PM

1. **President's remarks** (Clifford Gilpin)
 - a. Thanked Beth from Phoenix Management for moderating.
 - b. Noted this is the 10 year anniversary of Board creation.
 - c. Thanked outgoing Betty Andrews for her 6 years of service on the Board and to the community.
2. Annual meeting minutes of 9-4-19 were approved
3. **Treasurer's Report (Dave Costello)**
 - a. Association currently ahead of budget by \$8500 due to some homeowner prepayment.
 - b. \$73,437 in reserve fund for long-term road maintenance and noted on target with projections.
 - c. No increase in annual dues for upcoming financial year.
4. **Communication Committee Report (Bob Isler)**
 - a. Thanked Beth for valuable support and help in facilitating Zoom format.
 - b. 50 newsletters have been posted the past year.
 - c. Website is updating frequently with "recent updates" tab
 - d. Upcoming events are posted on homepage.
 - e. Individuals may edit personal profiles. Especially important is correct email address for communications.
5. **Grounds Committee Report (Betty Andrews)**
 - a. No major snow removal issues however, concerns expressed regarding salt on streets and walkways. Committee is exploring alternative options for upcoming season.
 - b. Reseeding damaged areas due to salt and plowing by LST has yet to occur. Waiting for irrigation system to be fully operational.
 - c. Street tree project is ongoing with Bartlett Tree with phase one tree trimming completed last winter.
 - d. Brown Tail moth spraying took place in May and other pest management will be monitored.
 - e. Mulching powers are exclusively used except in the event of overly wet conditions. This method helps nourish our grass and long term should decrease need for fertilizers.
 - f. Actively working with LST to delineate areas behind properties abutting conservation areas or wetlands for lawn management, brush and invasive species removal.

- g. Concerns expressed by homeowner's regarding corner entrance on Farm Gate Road. Very weedy and uninviting. Suggested this area must be cleaned up and a planting design should be rendered. Committee will take this up at next meeting.
- h. Concerns expressed regarding condition of lawns (crabgrass/dead grass/no grass). Waiting for irrigation system to be up and running before reseeding. Suggested reseeding areas need loam as the borders have been depleted of loam due to plowing.
- i. Concerns expressed regarding trenching made by Watermatic for irrigation repair. Asked for assurance this would be cleaned up and maintained.
- j. Concerns regarding LST response to homeowner questions regarding snow removal, moving, snow piling up at mouth of driveways, weeding, etc.
- k. Suggestion to blow snow from walk on street rather than lawn to cut down on damage to lawns
- l. Suggested replacing Dead End Street on corner of Heron Point.

6. Social Committee (Peggy Gilbert)

- a. Holiday lasagna party huge success with 44 in attendance.
- b. Neighborhood clean up in May with a dozen or more people pitching in.

7. Design Committee (Harvey Klugman)

- a. Received about 6 requests over the past year
- b. Reiterated purpose is the maintain a standard of design for enhanced home value.

Budget Vote, Board Member Election and Fiscal Year Change Results (Beth Hemenway)

- a. Quorum was established for 35 ballots cast
- b. Budget passed: 33 yes, 2 no
- c. Debbie Roy was elected to the board and Debbie Fogg, David Costello and Gerry Nedeau were re-elected.

8. Final remarks (Clifford Gilpin)

- a. Open space transfer is on hold due to COVID. Town of Falmouth freezing revenue for time being.
- b. TV3 – no update. Actively for sale.
- c. Gardens and field planting have been interrupted due to COVID
- d. Encouraged homeowners to contact Town of Falmouth regarding viability of posting No Trucks on Farm Gate Road.

9. Adjournment: 8:29 PM