

PINECREST PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes for Thursday, July 5th 2016

Pinecrest Lodge

Board Attendees: Bill Homans, President; Gail Orciuch, Treasurer, Directors: Bob Brooks, Eric Goodhart, Clerk; Ryan Laliberte, Financial Advisor from Edward Jones Investments.

The meeting was called to order at 7:15

The Board reminds all residents that the monthly meetings are open to all PPOA property owners. Vacations by members resulted in this meeting being lightly attended, but a quorum was present.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Gail Orciuch reviewed the treasurer's report. (The treasurer's report can be found online at www.PPOA.info). Month ending June 30th 2016 the portfolio total increased \$1564 to \$211,187 largely due to additional membership fees paid by homeowners. The Board has noticed and appreciates the increased number of full memberships within the Association. We still have a way to go, however, to generate projected income goal of \$32,703. YTD is \$16,430.

The budget for Fiscal Year 2017 is \$26,293 which includes an estimated Lodge well repair of \$2500. That item is kept low because much of the labor will be voluntary by Board and Associate members.

A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Eric and seconded by Bob.

Bill Homans suggested we change the phone supplier from Verizon to Charter. Because of the increased cost of changing the beach emergency phone from Verizon (cable laying issues) that phone will not be switched. But we will have Charter for the Lodge. This would give users of the Lodge access to cable TV and Internet service, thus making the rental of the Lodge for particular events more attractive. Gail made a motion to accept the motion to switch and it was seconded by Bob. Bill is going to follow through with the transition.

The rest of the meeting was turned over to financial advisor, Ryan Laliberte from Edward Jones.

The PPOA is very fiscally conservative in its' choice of investments to avoid the ups and downs of an uncertain market. This has been the long term philosophy of the PPOA over the years and is the consensus of the property owners.

However, the Board has been discussing making a change in financial firms handling the PPOA's investments. Though we did not expect great growth in the investment portfolio given the current economy and stated PPOA investment philosophy, the communication and advice from Merrill Lynch was weak.

Edward Jones has a good reputation nationwide in working closely with its' clients. It often comes down to the relationship with the local advisor. Ryan presented himself as knowledgeable and a very strong communicator. He pointed out that we have 54% of our current portfolio in international funds. He advised a better plan is to diversify our investments based on our long term plan for growth. The current investments are in C type stocks, which for long term investing may not make sense. They are more useful for the short term investor.

Often the subject of load (commissions) comes up in comparing various investment strategies and firms. For long term growth a 3 to 5% load is made up in the long term which is often less than the higher management fees used by firms that have no load funds. Further details will be provided and uploaded to this website in late August.

The Board voted unanimously to engage [Edward Jones](#) and move all of the PPOA funds to form Merrill Lynch to Edward Jones.

Upcoming Date to Remember

1. August 27th ~ Annual Summer Beach BBQ and games
2. Next PPOA monthly meeting ~ Tuesday, September 6th

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30

Submitted by Eric Goodhart, Clerk

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