



**Potawatomi Property Owners Association (PPOA)
Board Meeting
Saturday, April 30, 2011**

Board Members Present: Jeff Brittan, Dianne Hess, Dawn Pittman, Leonard Benser, Mary Bielke and Vern Wilcox

Absent: Greg Roman

Association Member Present: Bill Schilling

Vice-President Wilcox called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

Minutes from the September 25, 2010 meeting were read. Dawn made and Mary seconded a motion to accept the minutes.

Vern made and Dawn seconded a motion to continue to post the PPOA minutes on the Town of Barnes website.

Financial Report:

- Dawn distributed the budget report through March, 2011. Income received thus far in 2010:
 - Assessments - \$16,553
 - Rentals - \$8,070
- Dawn stated there have been a generous amount of donations given. This is especially appreciated with the poor economic times.
- Dawn will contact our insurance company to report the improvements that have been made (new furnaces and workshop) so the insurance amount can be re-evaluated.
- Dawn noted the county has conducted an on-line auction for Blackdeer Lot – 102 and Runningbear Lot 125. No information yet on who purchased the lots.
- Dawn stated there has been a foreclosure in PPOA and the mortgage company that now owns the property has been sent a bill for the past assessments due. An additional 3 more properties have been assumed by Bayfield County because of foreclosure.
- Dawn received a letter from a PPOA member that included a sample of a junk ordinance. Many residents are concerned about the junk problem in PPOA. It was noted that Bayfield County handles zoning issues.
- Vern made and Lenny seconded a motion to accept the finance report.

Caretakers Report:

- Jeff has received many rental reservations for the upcoming season. He is hoping for a \$20,000 season!
- Jeff has been upgrading the tables and benches in the Wanigan, Lodge and will continue to include cabins 3-4, 5-6. The tables are beautiful Jeff – thanks for all your hard work!
- The bat elimination contract will continue thru December 2011.
- Jeff stated the views have been changed since the logging of the 80 acres next to our campground has taken place.
- A new hot water heater has been installed in the Wanigan.
- Jeff hopes to post menus and information on the Wanigan bulletin board to promote local businesses.

- Jeff and Dawn have worked with a teacher from the UMD to use Ojibwe Language to name the cabins on the Island. Jeff will update the sign plates.
- Dianne made and Vern seconded a motion to accept the caretaker's report.

Old Business:

- The Lakeview cabin and the Lodge have had new propane furnaces installed.
- Vern made and Dianne seconded a motion to renew the land sale contract with Webb Realty thru December, 2011. The price continues to be \$65,900 for the lot on George Lake.

New Business:

- Joe Buck has been snow plowing the Island to the Lakeview Cabin to keep the road open to property owners and for fire protection. Dawn made and Lenny seconded a motion to contract with Joe to continue the plowing for \$200 a season.
- Dates were set for the Firewise Brushing in 2011. The dates will be:
Monday, June 27
Monday, September 12
More information to be included in the upcoming June Drumbeat.
- Jeff will get bids for a new swimming dock for the Island. The older dock will be used for fishing and for boat docking. The Board agreed that the donation monies will be used to purchase the dock.
- Vern will check into information for the memorial plaques to be placed on the picnic tables on the Island.
- PPOA member Bill Schilling inquired about:
 - providing bat houses for the displaced bats (*a bat hotel has been placed near the beach and 2 other houses will be installed*)
 - where burnable wood can be used (*the wood can be placed on the wood pile at the campground*)
 - placing CO2 detectors in the heated cabins (*the detectors will be installed*)

Jeff made and Vern seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Thank you to the Association member, Bill Schilling, that attended the meeting.

A special thank you to the board members, the Matt Hentges family, Larry Bielke, and Jeff and Lisa Pittman for helping with raking on the island on such a rainy and blustery day!

Kudos to Dawn Pittman for coordinating the lunch.

Next Regular Board Meeting: Saturday, May 28, 2011

Respectfully submitted by Dianne Hess