

Drum Point Project, Inc. (DPPI)

Drum Point Club

Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, August 13, 2019

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Mary Ann McGowan at 6:30 pm in the Drum Point Club meeting room.

Attendance: Mary Ann McGowan (President), Eric Andreas (Vice President), Brook Edinger (Treasurer), Ed Luczak (Secretary), Bruce Fall, Betsey Herbicek Fehn, Tim Hansen, Bill Kurtz.

Guests: Steve Mikulich, Brandon Postanowich

Minutes: The Minutes of the July 16, 2019 Board of Directors Meeting were approved.

Financial Report

- **Reports Reviewed** – The July 2019 financial reports were distributed by email prior to the meeting for review. The transition to our new bookkeeper, Jessica, is nearly complete.
- **Expense Reimbursements** – Brook will prepare a new procedure for handling expense reimbursements.

Renovation Projects

- **Members Ballot** – Mary Ann reported that a majority of the ballots have been received, and the \$12,000 capital budget for the renovation of the East Building has been approved by the Club members.
- **Board Approval** – The Board voted and approved the initiation of the 2019-2020 Renovation Project.

Miscellaneous

- **Beach Issue** – Guests Steve Mikulich and Brandon Postanowich presented a proposal to the Board for removal of debris on the beach at the Club property boundary with the DPPOA Community Beach. Steve and Brandon are Drum Point residents, but are not Drum Point Club members. Their proposal is to remove the downed trees and old chain link fence that extend from Drum Point Club property onto Public Trust Land. Public Trust Land is legally defined as the area on the beach below the Mean High Water (MHW) line. Public Trust Land is owned by the State, and is legally accessible by the public. It is not clear exactly where the MHW line is at this portion of our beach. (It is possible that this line is always underwater at this location, because of the rapid beach

erosion at this location and the fact that MHW is legally determined by averaging high tides over a 19-year period. If this is the case, then there is no dry Public Trust Land on the beach at this location.) The Club's old fence now extends onto the beach because of the beach erosion. Steve and Brandon have been advised that they cannot remove this fence section without the approval of Drum Point Club. Removal of the debris on the beach would enable non-Club members to easily access the beach all along the Club shoreline. Steve proposed that the debris would be removed by a team of volunteers organized by Steve and Brandon, at no cost to Drum Point Club. The Board thanked Steve and Brandon for their presentation, and will further study the issue.

- **Phragmites Treatment** – The Board continued discussion of the phragmites issue from the last Board meeting. It was reported that the State permit for spraying obtained by DPPOA extends until 2021. The contractor quote for spraying this year is \$800 for DPPOA areas, and \$1200 for Drum Point Club areas. Control of phragmites by spraying usually requires several years of spraying, or may require continued annual spraying. The Board voted and approved the following motion: (1) Drum Point Club will not do any phragmites spraying this year. (2) The Board will investigate the recurring annual cost of spraying if we begin next year. (3) The Board will define and undertake a test project involving the manual removal of phragmites from a small area of Club property. Club volunteers will participate in the project. The project will be used to assess the feasibility of phragmites removal from Club property without spraying.
- **Club Colors and Logo** – Bruce will reinitiate this project.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:15 pm.

Next Meeting: The next Board meeting is scheduled for Saturday, September 7, 2019 at 10:00 am. Brook's conference line will be used to enable Board members to connect remotely. Future Board meetings will usually be held the 1st Saturday of the month, or the 2nd Tuesday of the month.

Current Board of Directors: Mary Ann McGowan (President), Eric Andreas (Vice President), Brook Edinger (Treasurer), Ed Luczak (Secretary), Ralph Swartwood, Bruce Fall, Betsey Herbicek Fehn, Tim Hansen, Bill Kurtz.

Prepared by: Ed Luczak, Drum Point Club Secretary