

**Indian Hills Peninsula Civic Club  
Minutes of Meeting of April 13, 2019**

President Jack Maxwell called the meeting to order at 4:00.

He invited anyone with questions to ask them. Bill Hutcheson noted that the workers installing fiber optic cable in the neighborhood had torn up his yard. Jack discussed a letter he had ready to send to GCFS, the contractor, as well as Eastex Telephone, who GCFS is contracting for, and Polk County Commissioners. He had talked to Eastex, to ask that they make sure GCFS makes all required repairs to the roads and yards. GCFS says they're not through yet, and don't want to clean up until they're finished, so they can clean up just once.

Art Horton said they had left a pothole by his house. Jack asked we make a punch list to turn in to GCFS and Eastex of all necessary repairs.

**Treasurer's Reports.**

Treasurer Dale Ann read the report for the Indian Hills Peninsular Civic Club Income and Expenses for January through March 2019. Bill asked what the electric bill covered. Discussion followed on where there are hook ups. Jack noted that the light at the Park was replaced by SHECO, and we only pay \$9.95 a month, and they will maintain it. Dale Ann noted that she's seen lights on at the Civic Club building when it's not in use, and she reminded people to turn off lights when they leave. Mary Jo Aymes made a motion to accept the report, and Chuck Barmore seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous approval. Dale Ann then reported on proceeds from the Fish Fry in March. The Ladies Auxiliary made a profit of \$2,945. The Silent Auction took in \$1,065; the dinner took in \$1,595 and \$516 on the raffle. She noted thank you notes were sent to all those who donated.

**Approval of Minutes.**

Attendees read the minutes of the meeting of January 12, 2019, presented by Secretary Garry Japko. Mike Rowley made a motion to accept the minutes, and Sharon Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous approval.

**IHPCC Insurance.**

Jack reported that Lori Reed had performed a study on our insurance. We have separate policies for the Civic Club building and Directors, the Point and the Park. It has been asked why we can't get one policy to cover all locations to possibly save money. Lori found that no one company would write one policy for all coverage. Lori reported the policy on the building is for \$65,000 replacement, and in her professional opinion that is sufficient coverage. The liability insurance covers \$500,000 for each property. Jack noted the costs for all insurance coverage with the separate policies will be the same as last year, with no increases, which sounded reasonable.

Mary Jo asked about property taxes for the Club, and whether we could protest them this year after we get the assessment. Jack volunteered to ask about why we are not exempt, one more time, and at least the valuation. Lori reviewed what has happened in the past.

**Workday.**

Jack reviewed the workday we had in March. He then suggested we have another workday on April 27. He would like to set out soaker hoses around the plants that were set down in March, among other things, including cutting down vines around the dead tree so SHECO can cut down the tree. Jack said he got a bid for \$75 to cut and remove the vines. Art asked whether the tree would be removed after they cut it. Jack suggested cutting the tree up for a bonfire. Motion made to pay the \$75 to cut the vines. Motion carried by unanimous approval.

### **Cleaning of the Pond.**

Jack discussed the growth in the pond, and asked about getting rid of it. Art noted he and Andy Wells had tried to kill the vegetation a few years ago. Jack noted he had a company look at the pond, and got a bid on killing the vegetation, including maintaining it until it's all gone. The bid is for \$1,000. The company is licensed by the state, and they guarantee it will not kill the fish. He also suggested buying two tilapia, which will eat the vegetation if it grows back. Dale Ann asked if we have ever contacted Texas A&M to look at the pond and stock it. It was noted Andy Wells had checked into that.

Bill made a motion to accept the bid, and Chuck seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous approval. Jack will contact them to see how quickly they can do the work.

### **Letters to Homeowners About Upkeep of Properties.**

Jack discussed the state of some properties in the neighborhood, and letters he would like to send to six property owners about the conditions and ask that they be addressed. In conjunction with that, he read a letter from a property owner complaining about the lack of action on the part of the IHPCC in addressing their complaints about road conditions, dogs running loose, etc., and as a result they would not be members. Discussion followed about the fact we are only a Civic Club, not an HOA, and the limitations that presents to us, as well as problems with working with the County in regards to road repairs in our neighborhood. Chuck noted we used to get loads of asphalt and we could make repairs. Jack said they can no longer do that. He said as long as roads meet 9/11 standards the County will not make repairs.

A discussion followed about the road fund past President Peter Barnhart had started. Dale Ann noted the money is still in it, as he is still working on that project.

### **Upcoming Events.**

Dale Ann made note of the following upcoming events.

Easter Egg Hunt on April 20. She asked for volunteers. Janet Hutcheson added after that, there will be an Artists on the Porch sale at Lulu's.

Clean Up on April 27.

Garage Sale on May 3 and 4. We need donations for it. Donations can be left on the back porch if they're weather resistant.

Ice Cream Social on May 18 at 4:00 at the Park. Lori said bring chairs, make your ice cream before the social because there is no way to make any there. There will also be games for children.

4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade, to be held on July 6 at 10:00. Janet discussed volunteers we need for various duties, including three judges to judge floats and golf carts. She had a signup sheet at the front for that.

Jack asked that the Civic Club match \$300 to fund events at the Park that the Ladies Auxiliary has promised, to promote the Park and allow more people in the neighborhood take part in activities. Lori discussed upcoming events, including Neighborhood Day in September. Ken Long made a motion to approve the money, and Mike seconded. Motion carried by unanimous approval.

Jack asked whether anyone would like to have meetings more frequently than every three months. Bill made a motion to hold meetings every other month, and Chuck seconded it. Motion carried by unanimous approval. The next meeting will be held on the second Saturday in June, June 8.

### **Motion to Adjourn:**

Motion made to adjourn at 5:25, and seconded. Motion carried by unanimous approval.

Submitted by Secretary, Garry A. Japko