

**Indian Hills Peninsula Civic Club  
Minutes of Meeting of October 13, 2018**

In the absence of President Peter Barnhart, Bryan Wood called the meeting to order at 4:00.

**Approval of Minutes.**

Attendees read the minutes of the meeting of July 14, 2018 presented by Secretary Garry Japko. Motion was made to accept the minutes and seconded. Motion carried by unanimous approval.

**Treasurer's Report.**

Treasurer Paulette Whitmire gave the report for the 3rd Quarter of 2018, as well as the Income and Expense Report for the Fiscal Year 2017-2018. Motion was made to accept the reports and seconded. Motion carried by unanimous approval

**Budget.** Paulette presented a proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2018-2019. Garry noted there was a line item listed for estimated attorney fees that would be needed if the club carried through with a Deed Restriction project. Question was asked if the board had looked at the project. It was noted this had been discussed at previous meetings and a committee had been suggested to look at new restrictions. Question was asked if any restrictions would apply to all seven subdivisions. It was noted it would likely be one by one, but it was then asked whether it would apply to all subdivisions at once. The committee will look at that. It was then noted that it appears the committee had not met to date. Bryan asked whether those in attendance wanted to include the line item for the project or remove it. Bill Hutcheson made a motion to remove the item, seconded by Larry Jander. Suggestion was made we leave the item in the budget, to be used if we eventually need it. Discussion followed. If we remove the item, a committee can still meet and make suggestions, and the money can be put back in the budget later in the year if needed. Motion passed, 20 to remove the item, 19 to keep it. Bryan asked for another vote to accept the amended proposed budget for 2018-2019. Motion was made and seconded, and passed.

**Old Business.**

**Sale of Park Land.** Bryan noted nothing had been done with the lot. Discussion followed about a possible sale. Question was asked whether we had the authority to sell it, and if we would go through a real estate agent. Point was made whether we would have control over who could buy it, depending on what they intended to do with it. It was noted part of the issue is the Club lost its tax exempt status, and it would have to pay taxes on all the parcels it owned. Paulette reported the lot was 1.2 acres, assessed at about \$5,000 and taxes on it were only about \$105 a year. Bryan asked for a vote on whether a discussion should be started on the sale of the parkland. Motion was made and seconded. Vote was 15 no, 13 yes. The discussion was tabled until the next meeting, when total costs related to the lot will be presented.

**Ladies Auxiliary.** Report was read on Yard of Month. Winners were, in May, Randy and Patti Drewett, at 124 Glacier; in June, Jerry and Dale Ann Ovelgonne, at 140 Indian Shore; in July, Michael Johnson, at 226 Indian Shore; in August, Larry and Donna Parks, at 644 Shoreline.

**New Business.**

**Election of New Officers.** Before the votes were counted, Garry notified those at the meeting that, in contradiction to the Club By Laws, ballots that were mailed in were found in the Club office opened prior to today's meeting. After he found them, he took them to his house to remain there until today's meeting. The By Laws state that mail in ballots are to be opened at the meeting to elect new officers, and counted at that time by the Secretary and Sergeant at Arms. Discussion followed relating to the validation of the vote. A point was made that sometimes when ballots are mailed in without notation on the envelope whether it was a ballot, which apparently what happened in this case. Garry noted that all the opened envelopes had the ballots in them, and they have not been counted.

Bryan pointed out since we would be in violation of our Charter, we should consider holding another election, with new ballots mailed and votes to be counted at that meeting. He then asked for a vote on whether to accept the ballots already cast, at this meeting, although he noted we would be in violation of our own By Laws. A motion was made to override the By Law, but Bryan noted again we would be in violation of our By Laws. The vote was to hold a new election.

Bryan then asked for anyone on the ballot in attendance to speak to the attendees. Jack Maxwell, candidate for President, spoke about his qualifications as a board member of a MUD. He was also an inspector for utility projects with the city of Houston. His last work was as a Constable. He also volunteered to pay for the postage on the return envelopes for the second election. Bob Kuperman said he would answer questions of anyone later, as he had to leave to get to his restaurant.

**Motion to Adjourn.**

At 5:00, a motion was made to adjourn and seconded. Motion carried and approved by unanimous approval.

Submitted by Secretary, Garry A. Japko  
November 10, 2018