Regular, Monthly Meeting of the Board of Directors Wolf Creek Property Owners Association

October 27, 2023 – meeting held remotely

Meeting called to order at 8:04 AM by President, Bob Rohde, presiding.

Attending:

Directors: Bob Rohde, Jim Ginn, Jason Williams, Sally Eckert, and Dick

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Facilities Manager: Alan Sodell

Secretary Report:

1. Minutes of the September Board Meeting were approved as written.

2. Paul Smith had sent a message regarding timely updates to the website. With Board Directors' vacations and illness there had been a delay. Dick will respond to Paul.

Facilities Manager Report:

- 1. Alan reported that water usage is down and therefore the leak percentage is down.
- 2. Evergreen Rural has confirmed that Kris does not need Waterworks Operator Certification since Alan is doing all of the water system quality testing.
- 3. Alan's activity report for October:
 - a. Chlorine sampling
 - b. Coliform sampling
 - c. Read source meters
 - d. Read meters and completed billing spreadsheet
 - e. Helped Kris clean up around the CM pump house
 - f. Got road grading estimate for budget purposes
 - g. Monitored board website

Treasurer Report:

- 1. Prior to the meeting Jim distributed a 2024 draft budget for discussion.
 - a. Road maintenance expenses are increasing. The estimate is \$15K for grading and \$16K for dust abatement next year.
 - b. Water system capital improvement expense will be higher as planned.
 - c. We have been informed from Cascade that the snow plowing rate will increase by \$10 to \$150/hour.
 - d. At this time we have no requests or known plans for new water system hookups.
 - e. Jim will talk with Alan about getting weed control spraying estimates.
 - f. At this point Jim is proposing a 20% increase in maintenance fees for next year. However, that could change with further data.
 - g. Due to the probable maintenance fee increase Jim is recommending only a single water system special assessment payment of \$1,000.

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- h. Billings for maintenance fees and water system special assessments need to be prepared in December and go out in January. Therefore, the budget needs to be in place.
- i. Jim will distribute a revised draft budget for review and discussion over email with the plan to approve the budget at our next board meeting.
- 2. Water billings from the October meter readings will go out soon.
- 3. All water system special assessment payments have been received.
- 4. Jim talked to Bart Bradshaw about switching banking from Farmers in Winthrop.
 - a. Shortly after Jim assumed the Treasurer position, we had a checking account overdraft situation that should have been avoided. He plans to keep a \$10K buffer in the account moving forward.
 - b. Current interest earnings rate at Farmers is .75% and they have no good options.
 - c. Bart would like us to stick with Farmers, but we will look to invest elsewhere.
- 5. Regarding alternatives for increasing interest earned on our accounts.
 - a. N Cascades in Twisp has a 3% money market account rate.
 - b. There are other high yield savings plans that can be considered.
 - c. Jim will continue research and make a recommendation.

Presidents Report:

- 1. Bob reported that an update to our reserve study is in work. Jim is responding to questions from Accurate Reserve Professionals.
- 2. Prior to the meeting Dick had reviewed the consolidation of the CC&R revisions to date prepared by Jacque Smith and confirmed a very thorough job. Bob will sign the documents for filing.

Architectural Committee:

- 1. Exterior finishes require review for construction completion at 46 Cottonwood Dr (CM-8). Jason and Dick will follow up.
- 2. The owner at 60 Cottonwood Drive (CM-5) sent a message that their new carport has been completed. Jason will confirm.
- 3. Two sets of screening trees were part of the construction approval for the home at 18 Green Meadows Dr (GM-19/20). The exterior completion timeline ends January 22, 2024 and the trees have yet to be planted. Jason will talk to the members.

Other Business:

1. A work party is planned for November 4th at the Wolf Creek Community Park.

Website:

1. Sally will post Kris' water system line replacement plan to the website.

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Executive Session:

1. The regular meeting was paused to discuss Facilities Manager and Water System Manager compensation.

The next BOD meeting date and time was scheduled for November 28, 2023 at 8:00 AM to be held remotely.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:18 AM.

Respectfully submitted, Dick Nova, Secretary