

## INVERNESS RIDGE ASSOCIATION BOARD MINUTES

4/9/2011 Eleanor Stern's home

Meeting called to order by President David Wilson at 9:53 pm.

Present: Richard Blair, Sydne Bortel, Sue Brown, Alicia Jackson, Bob Lundstrom, Michael Ongerth, Laurie Stetson, Eleanor Stern, Katherine Williams, David Wilson, Tamia Anderson

PREVIOUS MINUTES (3/5/11) Correction of spelling of Alicia Jackson's name.

Treasurer Report and dues collection: Alicia and Laurie reported \$8,393.87 Wells Fargo, \$2,437.95 Luther Burbank,

Total: \$10,831.84. There have been two chipping reimbursement inquiries. Dues solicitation and regular mail newsletters have been sent.

Legal Status: Laurie reported that the Secretary of State's office returned our application due to format (punctuation). Laurie corrected the format, and the document needs re-signing by President and Secretary. She will re-submit application. Once approved by Sec'y of State, it will be sent to Franchise Tax Board, at which point IRA will receive certification of tax exempt status and classification as C-4 (public benefit organization).

Newsletter: President congratulated and expressed appreciation to Richard Blair and Tamia Anderson for their fine work producing the newsletter.

Road Board: Michael Ongerth described emergency repairs in early April on an Upper Robert bank (not pavement). Lower Robert suffered a similar problem, precipitated by culvert failures. Water flowed under rather than through the deteriorated culverts. Many culverts like these were probably put in place in '82 storm repair. They have a corrugated interior, and rocks flowing through wear the ridges down. The two new culverts are larger and have a smooth interior, so a longer life is predicted. Soil was replaced on top. There were also concerns about wet and slippery areas. Rock was brought in and spread to solve the problem. There were two long power outages, one caused by a fallen tree at Dover and Sunnyside, and a falling SOD tree on Lower Dover. Bob Lewis repaired the above road problems and also cleared drop boxes and ditches. His fee was under \$15,000. Ismael Gutterrez removed the downed trees.

Road surfaces were inspected and in good condition prior to the recent storms. However since the storms there has been significant erosion and rills running down the hills. The ditches are now in good shape. Additional potholes need repair since the rains, and this work will be done when rains end, probably early May. SOD trees will be cleared after bird nesting season. Question was asked regarding overhanging branches at the lower end of Drakes View Drive. They will be added to the work plan.

Tamia needs to be informed of the exact location.

The Road Board's communication with PGE/Davey Tree last year was fairly successful in getting problem trees down. Road Board will try even more aggressively this year.

Roadside Clean-up: MAY 14 & 15, 9 AM. MEET AT TANK 2, Upper Robert and DVD.

Michael will coordinate. Elinor and Sydne will prepare food: Coffee, muffins and hot chocolate at 9, and sandwiches and water for lunch. Bring shovels, brooms, wheel barrow.

Richard will make signs to place on DVD and David will send out a group e-mail reminder 10 days before, requesting reply.

Liaison Report: Bob Lundstrom, in a reply to inquiry, noted that names of each liaison (emergency contact) is available by clicking link on our web site. Bob recommended that the emergency siren test be performed once a quarter rather than monthly. Board agreed. Siren will be tested the first Saturday of June, September, January, and March

By-law change:

At the request of the Board, President has prepared a by-law change which would allow the Board to appoint additional board members to fill the terms of board vacancies until the next board election.

Proposed change: **Article V, paragraph 2 shall be amended to read:**

" Where vacancies exist on the Board of Directors during the period between

general meetings, the Board (MAY)nominate additional members to serve provisionally until the next general meeting, when the membership will be asked to confirm their election to serve a full two year term".

It was agreed that the word "MAY" will be inserted as above.

Michael moved to approve by-law change, Bob seconded motion. Board approved 10-0.

Michael moved that David Beatty be invited to join the board to fill a vacancy. Bob seconded motion. Board approved 10-0. Michael recommended that Helen Chapman be invited to join the Board to fill another vacancy. Bob seconded motion. Board approved 10-0.

Board Meeting Schedule: Next meeting June 10th at Russ Ridge's home.  
August Board meeting Katherine William's  
October Board meeting at Bob Lundstrom's

(Board went into executive session.)

Back in session: Concern about growing population of wild turkeys: Discussion ensued. David and Tamia will check with Park regarding the problem.  
Wild turkeys were introduced by Dept of Fish & Game many years ago, and are a problem everywhere now. This will be discussed in the next newsletter.

Announcements: Michael said that the next Pre-Rab meeting is April 24th at his home. It is an open meeting.

Laurie said that she and Ed will be attending a Firesafe grant writing workshop.

Meeting adjourned at 10:54 AM

Sydne Bortel  
Secretary