



**Potawatomi Property Owners Association (PPOA)  
Board Meeting  
Saturday, July 31, 2010**

**Board Members Present:** Jeff Brittan, Dianne Hess, Dawn Pittman, Leonard Benser, Greg Roman and Vern Wilcox

**Absent:** Jim Hardy

**Visitor:** PPOA resident – Gerald Peterson

President Roman called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m.

**Minutes** from the June 26<sup>th</sup> meeting were read. Vern made and Leonard seconded a motion to accept the minutes.

**Financial Report:**

- Dawn distributed the budget report through the end of the fiscal year – June 30, 2010.
- Income received in 2010:
  - Assessments - \$22,010
  - Rentals approx. - \$15,000
- Expenses year-to-date are \$36,274
- President Roman commented that PPOA is doing well considering the bad economy.
- Thanks Dawn for all your hard work and dedication!
- Dianne made and Vern seconded a motion to accept the finance report.

**Caretakers Report:**

- Jeff reported the Pittman family is re-roofing the screen house in the picnic area on the Island. They had removed the old chimney several years ago. Suggestions were discussed on other updates that may improve that area. We appreciate all the work the Pittman family continues to do which shows their great dedication to PPOA. Thank you so much!
- Jeff suggested another dock on the Island for boats and fishing would be a good improvement.
- Jeff has installed new light switches in the shower building on the Island.
- Jeff mentioned the issue of unpaid assessments when he is asked to reserve cabins. Staff discussed that if assessments are not paid by the April 1<sup>st</sup> deadline – the residents should not be able to rent cabins for the remainder of that year. This issue will be discussed at the upcoming annual meeting.
- Jeff will be installing a fence between the Wanigan and the Caretaker's Cabin in order to discourage traffic on the grassy areas.
- *Bats by Day Company* will be returning to the Island to recheck the bat problems.
- Jeff hopes to shingle the campground shower building roof on August 7<sup>th</sup> and would like some volunteer help.
- Dawn made and Greg seconded a motion to accept the caretaker's report.

### **Old Business:**

#### **Firewise Information**

- PPOA's application to become the First Northern Firewise Community has been accepted.
- Greg stated work is continuing on the grant for a new well.
- Greg read a letter from Marty Kasinskas regarding the success of the first wood chipping day in Potawatomi. All expenses were paid by the DNR and the next wood chipping day is planned for September 11, 2010.
- Vern made and Dawn seconded a motion to present Marty with a thank you plaque at the annual meeting for the positive and successful wood chipping event.

#### **Furnace Bids**

- President Roman distributed furnace bids from Arch Heating and Cooling Inc. from Barnes and Amorde Electric and Mechanical from South Range. Vern made and Dawn seconded a motion to accept the bid from the local company, Arch Heating and Cooling Inc.
- NOTE: A donation of \$10,000 was received several years ago in the hopes it could be used for furnace replacements. Dianne made and Greg seconded a motion to use some of the monies for the furnace replacements in the Lodge and Lakeview Cabin and for a new hot water heater for the Wanigan.

#### **Miscellaneous**

- Ingemar Ekstrom of Barnes asked for PPOA's support in the Invasive Aquatic Species Program. President Roman agreed to write a letter for the granting process.

### **New Business:**

- The Town of Barnes swimming lessons were held on the Island due to the condition of Tomahawk Lake. PPOA received a certificate of insurance.
- PPOA resident, Gerald Peterson from East Valley Drive requested help from the Board to work on the clean-up of property located near his. He spoke of the abandoned old vehicles and the health issue of large amounts of garbage allowed to set outside homes. He also was concerned about the problem of barking dogs. President Roman asked for his patience and assured him that these problems are being addressed. It is being brought to the attention of Bayfield County as well as the Town of Barnes.
- **2010 Budget**  
Staff worked on the new budget for 2011. The budget was set for \$54,517 (a slight decrease from the 2010 budget). The final copy of the new budget will be presented for approval at the annual meeting on August 21<sup>st</sup>.
- **Annual Meeting**  
The meeting will be held at the campground on August 21<sup>st</sup>. A potluck picnic will take place at noon to be followed by the business meeting at 1 p.m. All PPOA residents are invited.

Lenny made and Dianne seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting.

**Next Regular Board Meeting: Saturday, August 28, 2010**

Respectfully submitted by Dianne Hess