# Galena Oaks Property Owners Association Regular Board Meeting – Minutes Saturday, September 2, 2023

Meeting called to order at 11:10 am

Location: Pond

Board members present:

Rob Miller, President

John Herza, Vice President

Margaret Jasinski, Secretary/Treasurer

John Jackson

Karen Andersen

Doug Boisvert

Board members absent: Bob Rega (illness)

Other attendees per sign-in sheet: Lot #2, 5, 8, 10, 11, 14, 15, 17, 22, 24, 28, 33, 34, 36, 37, 39, 42, 45, 47, 54, 58, 60, 62. The quorum was met.

New owners being welcomed since last annual meeting:

#48 – Adrian Gredna & Tadeusz Kapusciak

### PRESIDENT'S WELCOME AND COMMENTS

The President welcomed all homeowners. We paused to acknowledge the passing of several residents in the past year (Bob Hopkins, Ron Polhill, and W. Vatland). The president praised the continuing spirit of volunteerism that helps achieve things for the common good; and the spirit of helpfulness, where neighbors help neighbors. Volunteer hours totaled at least 91 hours in the past year.

# **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

The minutes from the June 24, 2023 regular Board meeting and the June 24, 2023 Special Board meeting were read. Motions on each were made to approve (Andersen) and were seconded (Herza). The Board voted to approve both sets of minutes as read.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

A copy of the check register for the fiscal year starting June 1 was distributed to the Board. GOPOA bank balances totaled \$18,418 as of August 23, 2023, of which \$5,810 is in the reserved "pond dredging fund". A summary of income and expenditures for FY2022-2023 was distributed to the Board and to meeting attendees.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

POND REPORT – The pond continues to be treated by community members (instead of hiring outside service). The pond committee commented on this year's efforts.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

GOAT – Residents were made aware that a goat is hanging around the area and has been seen in the wooded area across Rt. 20 as well as in lots in our community that are nearer to 20. He is rather shy, and he is large. Efforts have been made to find his owner, or to get him to an appropriate new home. Use caution in the meantime.

FUTURE IMPROVEMENTS? —The ideas of creating a walking path around the pond, and of building a pavilion near the pond were refreshed. It is expected that a pavilion would be constructed using volunteer labor and funded by fundraisers or donations. No decisions needed to be made at this time about these ideas.

DEAD TREE – Concerns were noted about the very dead tree on lot #29 near the cul-de-sac.

ELECTION – While ballots were tallied, Rob entertained with trivia about events in the community's past, especially the early 1990's. Election results: Linda Day, Margaret Jasinski

Meeting adjourned around 12:05pm.

Submitted by: M. Jasinski Approved: October 21, 2023