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**GOOSE CREEK LAKE TRUSTEES MEETING
February 11, 2017
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ROLL CALL: Curt Tary, Randy Rickerman, Mike Casey, Bob Wartenbe, Kim Curtis, Pete Passiglia, Jeni Margherio, Mark Warren, and Don Sobocinski, Alternate. Cliff Wachter was absent and excused.

Don Sobocinski said the prayer.

MOTION: **Mike Casey** made a motion to approve the minutes from the Trustees Meeting on December 10, 2017.

Bob Wartenbe seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION: All in favor-I: Curt Tary, yes; Randy Rickerman, yes; Mike Casey, yes; Bob Wartenbe, yes; Kim Curtis, yes; Pete Passiglia, yes; Jeni Margherio, yes; and Mark Warren, yes.

Chairman's Report: There was no meeting in January. They are checking into a contract for the trash service. They are also looking into purchasing some new equipment for maintenance.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Maintenance: **Mike Casey** reported they are discussing eliminating the truck route signs except for the one at the low water bridge crossing. They are doing this to eliminate the heavy load trucks from going over the same paved roads and hitting them in the same spot. If they take that away it gives the trucks the opportunity to go on different roads that are paved or not paved. Many of the truck route roads are going to be paved this year and alternatives need to be offered. **Steve Folle** asked if the signs are going to be removed for the paving and **Mike** said they will be permanently removed. **Pete** added he and **Mike** had discussed this issue at a maintenance meeting and since most of the roads are asphalted now, no matter which way the trucks go they are going to be driving on asphalt. **Mark** was concerned about the trucks driving on other roads that may not be as compacted and ruining the asphalt because less preparation has been done on some of the roads. **Mike** explained removing the truck route signs will allow them alternative roads to drive on and they will not be using the same roads constantly. **Mark** also added some of the roads they may be using might be narrower. Most of the companies have been hauling in Goose Creek for years and they know the fastest, widest roads to use. If the speed limit is 20 m.p.h. most people will have time to dodge a big

truck on a narrower road. There are no major issues now and they will try it for a year and if they see there are problems they can make changes. **Pete** added some of the roads they will be asphalting this year on the truck route will only have a 2 inch overlay on them. The low water bridge will still remain no trucks.

The maintenance committee is talking about trading in the road grader on a new skid steer. It is in the budget and the current one needs to be replaced. The plans are to trade in the road grader, get the cost down on the skid steer and get some attachments. It is easier to run a skid steer than a road grader and there is no one in maintenance that is certified to run the grader. Next year they will be asphalting the hills that required a lot of grading to maintain which will eliminate the use for the road grader. It has been decided to look at a broom attachment, a grader blade, and a post hole digger. The purchase was put into the maintenance budget for 2017. The plan is to pay off the road grader and when that payment is eliminated it will allow for the payment on the skid steer. It is not feasible to pay someone \$10.00 more an hour to run the road grader than the maintenance supervisor is making. They had demonstrations on a Bobcat, Caterpillar, Case, John Deere, and Takeuchi. **Brian** and other maintenance employees preferred the John Deere and Caterpillar. They narrowed it down to the Caterpillar who is offering 48 months at zero percent financing which will keep the payments at \$150 less than what was budgeted. The cost on all the skid steers that were tested were virtually the same.

Lead Belt and **Bauman** have been in Goose Creek to get bids ready for the asphalting and bids should be ready by the next meeting. The goal is to get the roads paved that were scheduled for last year, get the major spots that are damaged, and also pave the area by the boat docks and some of the parking lots. Next year the plan is to work on the big problem areas where a lot of money is spent to maintain the roads. Another company will be consulted to give a bid to put down a micro-topping over the asphalted roads. Maintenance will also dig out and repair some of the problem areas. **Barb Stepney** mentioned some bad potholes are beginning to form on Mohican. **Mike** said some areas are spider cracking because of the base and they need to be repaired by digging them out and replacing the base. **Tom Martin** added they need to keep equipment with steel tracks off the roads and if anyone sees them on the road, please report it to security.

Administration: **Jeni Margherio** reported the budget is completed for 2017. Budgeted revenues are 1.62 million dollars and expenses are 1.613 million dollars leaving a net of around \$14,000.

MOTION: **Jeni Margherio** made a motion to approve the budget for 2017.

Pete Passiglia seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION: All in favor-I: Curt Tary, yes; Randy Rickerman, yes; Mike Casey, yes; Bob Wartenbe, yes; Kim Curtis, yes; Pete Passiglia, yes; Jeni Margherio, yes; and Mark Warren, yes.

The excess cash that is now coming in from assessments will be put into either a money

market fund or CDs. **Jeni** stated she had done some initial research and found 6 to 9 month CDs payout .05% and money market accounts pay out 2.0%. They need to decide fairly quickly what they are going to do with the money and get it into the bank. **Randy** asked her if she had checked on any credit unions and she said she had not. **Jeni** said she could check on it.

Bob introduced the new property manager, **Zella Pope**. **Zella** said she was from Festus and has experience as a city administrator and municipal government. She has been here for 3 weeks, has felt very welcome and finds the staff easy to get along with and feels the Trustees were doing a great job.

Forming the Violation/Arbitration Panel is still in progress. Some time ago, one of the judges asked the Trustees if they would institute an Arbitration Panel to handle disputes from violations that had been issued. The Covenants Committee has put something together concerning this issue and asked the Trustees to look over the proposal. They will put the panel in place and any disagreements concerning violations would go before the Arbitration Panel who will be unbiased. The idea behind the panel is to keep some of these issues out of the court system. The members will be picked from property owners constituting 5 members and 3 rotating in after 6 months. The volunteers will serve from June to December and will be randomly picked from the list of property owners. As this system has never been tried before **Barb Stepney** felt it would be better to put it in the By-laws first before it was voted into the Covenants. If the system does not work it is easier to remove it from the By-laws than to fix it in the Covenants. This procedure came up because of the incident with the Watkins case. If it is in the By-laws it will give them the opportunity to perfect it before voting it into the Covenants. It was suggested sending letters to property owners to select a panel would be better than asking for volunteers to make it more unbiased. All the information will be taken under advisement, discussed and the decision relayed to the property owners.

There is only one security camera in the office and it basically covers the front door. There are a couple ways to enter the building and all areas should be monitored. They need a camera where the cash is kept. There are no issues and nothing missing but there is a possibility of being robbed. Someone could enter the building through the back door and there is no camera there either. There is no camera on the side of the building where entry could be gained and not be seen from the security building. A new DVR would also be needed.

MOTION: **Bob Wartenbe** made a motion to add more cameras and a DVR for security in the office at the cost of \$1,000 or less.

Kim Curtis seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION: All in favor-I: Curt Tary, yes; Randy Rickerman, yes; Mike Casey, yes; Bob Wartenbe, yes; Kim Curtis, yes; Pete Passiglia, yes; Jeni Margherio, yes; and Mark Warren, yes.

Barb Stepney added when they remodeled the office the camera for the mailbox house was disconnected. It needs to be rewired at the office. **Brian** said it could be easily reconnected because the wiring is still by the building. **Jeni** mentioned they have received 2 bids for the new heating and cooling system for the Recreation Hall and are expecting one more. Several companies have looked at the building to supply a bid but they have not heard from them. They would like to open the bids next month.

MOTION: **Pete Passiglia** made a motion to hold the bids until next month and to close the bidding as of March 6th.

Most bids are usually good for 30 days. Any bids that have run past that time could be bid again from the contractors original paperwork. **Mike** felt they needed to review the bids and not accept the lowest bidder because they may not be supplying the same materials. The contractors need to explain what they plan to do while in the building so it can be explained to the Trustees. They are planning to have the units outside the building. **Brian** added some rewiring with new wires will also have to be done.

Jeni Margherio seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION: All in favor-I: Curt Tary, yes; Randy Rickerman, yes; Mike Casey, yes; Bob Wartenbe, yes; Kim Curtis, yes; Pete Passiglia, yes; Jeni Margherio, yes; and Mark Warren, yes.

Bob added they need to set some pricing for dumping larger items. Security tries to keep an eye on the trash and when they see something suspicious the property owner is notified. Larger items such as sofas, stoves, etc. need to have a set price for the property owners. Currently there is no set price and most property owners just make a donation they think is fair. **Barb** thought there was a price list (fees) that are set every year and have to be approved by the Board. **Steve Folle** said they charge more for refrigerators because of the Freon. No one on the current Board was aware of any kind of pricing. When security notices a property owner bringing in junk, they do a drive by on the property to see if it is there or taken to the trash dumpsters. Most of the time it is taken to the dumpsters and they try to catch them. **Pete** mentioned it is hard to keep people from going to their lots.

Treasurer's Report: **Jeni Margherio** stated currently the revenues are \$763,000 with \$188,000 in expenses. There are plans to purchase four \$50,000 CDs for 6, 7, 8, and 9 months to be used later in the year for expenses when not much money is coming in. They are still discussing using a money market account also. She asked the Trustees to review the Warrant Sheet. **Jeni** thought the porta-john bill was very high but realized they were paying a couple months because **O'Neal Septic** does not get the billing out in a timely manner. **Bob** suggested they take last year's total, divide it by 12 and pay him monthly and let him figure it out. **Jeni** felt it may become an accounting nightmare because he may not apply the money properly. **Zella** has plans to call him in for a meeting to explain they need current billing every month. **Jeni** mentioned to **Zella** Goose Creek is supposed to get credit back for a cell phone and she has not seen it come

through yet. It was a property manager's phone and **Zella** will check with **Melissa** who is also aware of the credit. **Randy** asked about the \$1,000 that was spent on a boat for repairs. **Bob** explained that was for the repairs to the motor on the security boat. The company put in new plugs, a new water pump, did a diagnostic check, compression check, and winterized the motor. Anything that showed a code was repaired. The first thing they did was a compression test to see if the motor was worth saving and since it was they decided to do all the repairs. Security needs to run the boat next year and not just idle it all the time. **Randy** also questioned the bill for **McCain's Towing** and it was explained they towed the dump truck when it rolled over at the quarry although no one was hurt. The truck is back in service but there is a problem with the pump.

MOTION: **Jeni Margherio** made a motion to approve the Warrant Sheet.

Bob Wartenbe seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION: All in favor-I: Curt Tary, yes; Randy Rickerman, yes; Mike Casey, yes; Bob Wartenbe, yes; Kim Curtis, yes; Pete Passiglia, yes; Jeni Margherio, yes; and Mark Warren, yes.

Security: **Pete Passiglia** reported things have been kind of crazy for **Sarah**. They have had four arrests and a lot of call outs. Security has been putting stickers on ATVs and boats. A date needs to be set for applying stickers at the dock for people who cannot pull their boat out of the water and bring to security. A special arrangement can be made for security to go by the property to attach the sticker. A state number must be on the boat before a sticker will be attached. There has been talk about how to handle the first major holiday at Goose Creek in attaching the stickers. **Zella** and **Sarah** have talked and an area will be roped off and stickers will be applied in front of the maintenance building. That should help in getting traffic through the gate. The security budget has been approved and they are looking into hiring another commissioned officer and/or some extra rovers. An ad will be placed in the paper this month.

Mr. Buckman mentioned he lives in Illinois and recently purchased a new boat. He had his registration and other information but when he went to the office to get his sticker he could not get it because he did not have the state number for his boat. The state of Illinois is running behind and he will not get it for approximately 3 to 4 months. He was told as long as he had the permit given to him by Illinois it would be sufficient in getting a sticker. He added when he does get the Illinois number he would come into the office so it could be put into the system. **Barb Stepney** added Illinois is historically known for running behind in issuing the state numbers for boats. They have allowed people from Illinois to get their stickers if they had the proper papers and brought the numbers in later to be updated in the system. The papers given to them by the State of Illinois are appropriate if a person gets stopped by the law for not having the sticker. **Jeni** wanted to instruct the office on how to handle this situation and it is approved by the Trustees to issue the stickers with the proper paperwork. **Kim** asked if they could use **Mr. Buckman's** paperwork and black out all the personal information to be used as a guide for other property owners who have the same situation with their boats. **Mr. Buckman**

said he would bring in the boat number to the office when he receives them.

Pete added security previously attached the stickers but they stopped and now are returning to the original policy of security attaching stickers. They have found some boats that have not been registered with the state but have a sticker. They will have to work through these situations and are trying to treat everyone fairly. **Pete** mentioned someone had asked about the cameras at the boat docks. With the bad weather and communicating with T & S Security who have been short on staff, they have been unable to do work on the cameras. **Mike** added maintenance needs a lift to do some work around Goose Creek. T & S Security needs a lift to do the work at the boat docks so it was decided to rent the lift for a month during decent weather and both parties could do their work on the cameras, trimming trees and installing lights. The lift is scheduled to be picked up on Monday, February 20th.

Barb Stepney said she was concerned about the inventory on the stickers if they are being removed from the office and several areas will have them. She added the stickers have a value and felt this would be problematic with blank pieces of paper having no sticker numbers and it would be difficult to control the sticker numbers. It might also be difficult for the office to log in the numbers for the property owners. She mentioned office personnel have been fired for missing stickers. The Trustees need to check with **Melissa** on the process that is being implemented to control the sticker numbers to ensure that none will be missing. It is the Trustee's understanding that each small batch of stickers that were assigned to a cubicle in the office or to a person in security will be tracked by beginning and ending numbers in the series. They will be keeping close track of the numbers and are checking closely. **Steve Folle** felt having security attach the stickers gave them better control because if the sticker was given to the property owner, security had no way of knowing where it was actually placed. **Pete** said that is why they decided to let security attach the stickers. A gentleman from the audience said when he got his sticker, the office called him because they had lost track of one of the stickers and they wanted to verify which sticker number he had so they are tracking the numbers closely, both security and the office.

Pool: **Randy Rickerman** reported the pool is closed.

Permits: **Mark Warren** stated they would be doing permit reporting a little differently today. He explained they have hired **Mindy Herrod** as the new permit inspector. She will be providing permit information this month. **Mindy** reported she had 3 permits to be approved. The first one is **Thomas Willett, Plat 6, Lot 166**, for a pole barn that will be placed too close to the road. He has a very steep lot but has placed lego blocks and added fill to obtain a flat area. Due to the steepness of the lot he cannot go back any further on the property. **Mr. Willett** would like a variance from the 25 feet to 11 feet from the front property line. It is a straight section of the road with no intersection. **Bob** had looked at the site and the 11 feet variance should not hinder traffic or any other property owner. Most of the property in that area is on a hilltop that steeply falls off and most of the campers are closer than the 25 feet from the front line. The property owner said he has found the stakes and poles but no survey has been done. **Mark** said on the

one hand he does not like to approve anything that is not according to the covenants but the area where the lot is located seems to leave no other alternative. It also makes no sense to expect a property owner to spend thousands of dollars to do excavating to comply with the covenants when having the pole barn closer to the road will not cause a problem.

MOTION: **Mark Warren** made a motion to approve the variance for **Mr. Willett, Plat 6, Lot 166**, to add a pole barn 11 feet from the front of the property.

Kim Curtis seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION: All in favor-I: Curt Tary, yes; Randy Rickerman, yes; Mike Casey, yes; Bob Wartenbe, yes; Kim Curtis, yes; Pete Passiglia, yes; Jeni Margherio, yes; and Mark Warren, yes.

Next permit was **Plat 5, Lots 98/99**. **Mindy** said the property was not marked well but she could tell where he wanted the doublewide home to go. He needs a variance of 3 feet from the back line, the property pins have been located, and the property owner is in the process of getting approval from his neighbor. **Mike** didn't feel the Trustees could approve the permit until the approval from his neighbor is in writing and presented to the Trustees. **Mindy** mentioned he also needs approval for the septic system. The property owner may also need approval for a variance from the Trustees because the southeast corner is 3 ft. off the road. **Mark** added the paperwork for the variance also has to be recorded with the deed. The approval for the permit will be postponed until the necessary paperwork is complete.

Larry Murray, Plat 15, Lot 38, needs approval for a boat dock and sea wall. Everything is marked on the property and the pins are all there. The boat dock will be of new construction and the seawall will be a 10 inch concrete wall with a cap. **Bob** felt a Trustee should check out the property and there was a question about electricity. The size of the dock and how far out it is going into the water also needs to be noted on the permit. It was decided to hold off on the permit until next month. **Mr. Murray** said the boat dock would be 10 feet from his side property line and the boat dock would go 40 feet into the lake consisting of a 10 foot walkway and 30 foot dock. It will be a single bay with a swim deck and electric will be added to the dock. There are no electrical drawings. **Bob** will check on the property after the meeting.

Alonzo Whitener, Plat 2, Lot 383, said he put in a new boat dock last year and he would like to use a generator to power his boat lift. It would produce electricity and still needs to be in compliance with the code as it is the same type of current. It was decided that could not be approved and **Mike** added if the boat lift requires electric to run the boat lift, the electric has to be up to code on the boat dock. **Mark** told **Mr. Whitener** they could not approve it today and the issue needs to be reviewed. A solar panel with batteries might work for him.

Mindy gave the permit report for December which was 8 permits consisting of 1 carport,

3 culverts, 1 excavation, 1 shed, and 2 informational permits. There were 12 permits for January: 3 campers, 5 culverts, 2 excavations, 1 fence, and 1 shed.

Bob suggested the Trustees sell the red Dodge truck. The truck has been used in land acquisition and for permits but only 400 miles was put on the vehicle last year. They recently spent \$200 for work on fuel injectors. Sitting is not good for the vehicle and while it still has fairly low mileage, they would like to sell it and purchase a smaller SUV to be used in permits.

MOTION: **Bob Wartenbe** made a motion to sell the 2011 red Dodge Truck for around \$18,000.

Randy would like to have a plan to replace it before selling the vehicle. He felt they should have money set aside or know how they are going to fund a different vehicle. **Bob** felt they could get more money selling it outright than trading it in for another vehicle. **Mindy** is currently using her personal vehicle because she feels the truck is too big for her to drive. **Tom Morton** didn't think it was a good idea to purchase a used vehicle when one is not sure of what was done to the vehicle and they know what they have in the red truck. **Pete** asked what the exact reason was to sell the vehicle and it was explained the engine is a V-8 with sixteen sparkplugs and Chrysler stopped producing that engine after 2 years. **Jeni's** concern about an employee using their personal vehicle for work would be; are they reimbursing her for mileage and who is responsible for fixing the vehicle if something happens while she is on the job? **Pete** added workmen's comp could also be involved in this issue. **Jeni** did mention security complained the red truck was not practical for Goose Creek roads. **Mike** stated security didn't take the truck onto lots and if they felt the road was bad, they would park the truck and walk. **Mindy** needs to go to the lots with equipment. A smaller SUV would cost around \$20,000. **Zella** added **Mindy** does clock in and out when using her vehicle for Goose Creek business. **Dean Robinson** suggested they check with their insurance plan to see if it would be covered.

Pete wanted to list all the items they have for sale and possibly put them in front of maintenance. They are selling the white Jeep, the blue Jeep, the red truck, 2 mowers, and the white tar truck. All items will be put on the website. The diamond plate tool box has been replaced with a new one and someone is interested in purchasing the other one for \$125.

MOTION: **Mark Warren** made a motion to sell the Craftsman diamond plate tool box in maintenance for \$125.

Bob Wartenbe seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION: All in favor-I: Curt Tary, yes; Randy Rickerman, yes; Mike Casey, yes; Bob Wartenbe, yes; Kim Curtis, yes; Pete Passiglia, yes; Jeni Margherio, yes; and Mark Warren, yes.

Fines: **Pete Passiglia** reported there were 4 violations on the report. Two were warnings and 2 were assigned fines. **Steve Folle** asked if there was any progress on the junky lot that is on Robin. He assumes they are still sending letters to the property owner with fines. **Pete** said they have discussed putting a lien on property when the owner owes more than \$1,000 in fines. Someone asked about 2 properties on Osage that are junky and they are getting fined every month. **Pete** plans to talk to **Mickey** when she returns from vacation to check on the progress of the junky lots. **Kim** reminded everyone maintenance cannot go on the property and clean it up without the owner's permission. There is also an issue of removing property from the lots.

Lake and Beach: **Mark Warren** reported they did not put money in the budget for dredging but have discussed taking some of the money from lot sales and purchasing a CD to be used for dredging in the future. The fish need to be ordered as soon as possible for the lakes in Goose Creek and for the fishing tournament.

MOTION: **Mark Warren** made a motion to contact the vendor and order the same fish as last year but not to exceed \$4,000.

Mike Casey seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION: All in favor-I: Curt Tary, yes; Randy Rickerman, yes; Mike Casey, yes; Bob Wartenbe, yes; Kim Curtis, yes; Pete Passiglia, yes; Jeni Margherio, yes; and Mark Warren, yes.

Barb Stepney asked questions about how much money was left over, if any, in the Lake and Beach Fund. All money collected is to be used for the lake. **Mark** said he would look into it. **Randy** said as of January 31, they have collected \$17,231 for the Lake and Beach Fund. She also asked if they finalized last year's financials. That will be checked but **Mark** mentioned they are still auditing that year. There is money in the dredging account from donations.

Land Acquisition: **Randy Rickerman** announced he would like permission to run another sale on property listings owned by Goose Creek. **Mindy** is working on a proposal and they need a motion to spend the money for advertising. **Mindy** said she set the date for the sale from May 5 to May 15, 2017. They will need volunteers to help with the sale and enlist the help of some employees to show the property that is for sale. The property will be marked with "for sale" signs.

MOTION: **Randy Rickerman** made a motion to have the sale on property listed by Goose Creek from May 5-15, 2017.

Bob Wartenbe seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION: All in favor-I: Curt Tary, yes; Randy Rickerman, yes; Mike Casey, yes; Bob Wartenbe, yes; Kim Curtis, yes; Pete Passiglia, yes; Jeni Margherio, yes; and Mark Warren, yes.

MOTION: **Randy Rickerman** made a motion to spend no more than \$1,500 for advertising in the local papers. The ads would be run 2 weeks ahead of the sale time and they will also use any free advertising.

Kim Curtis seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION: All in favor-I: Curt Tary, yes; Randy Rickerman, yes; Mike Casey, yes; Bob Wartenbe, yes; Kim Curtis, yes; Pete Passiglia, yes; Jeni Margherio, yes; and Mark Warren, yes.

Randy asked the Trustees how they wanted to handle the pricing of adjoining lots for the sale. Last year they reduced adjoining lots from \$800 to \$400. **Mark** felt it depended on the lot. He added maybe they should offer a certain dollar amount off of the adjoining lot. They shouldn't be selling lots with amenities that could bring \$2,000 for \$400. **Mindy** felt only access lots that would cost \$800 should be sold for \$400. **Mike** added they are really looking to bring in assessments and if the property owner to the adjoining lot is in good standing, they should give them a special deal and have assessments coming in regularly. Someone from the audience suggested they drop making people pay 2 years in back assessments. They might sell more lots if they did and new owners would start paying assessments on the lots. **Mindy** has been working on evaluating the lots that have come in recently from surrenders. There was more discussion on the issue of having people pay 2 years in back assessments.

MOTION: **Randy Rickerman** made a motion to remove all back assessments during the sale time. Adjoining access lots will be priced at \$400 and the remaining lots will be priced the same as during last year's sale. This is only for lots owned by Goose Creek.

Mike Casey seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION: All in favor-I: Curt Tary, yes; Randy Rickerman, yes; Mike Casey, yes; Bob Wartenbe, yes; Kim Curtis, yes; Pete Passiglia, yes; Jeni Margherio, yes; and Mark Warren, yes.

Randy mentioned Land Acquisition set money aside last year to remodel the dumpster area and they need some volunteers from the Board to get the project moving. **Bob** has the proposed drawing for the remodel and they need to get some bids. **Mike** volunteered to help. The committee would consist of Mike, Bob, Randy, and Pete.

Election Committee: There will be an election in the fall.

Covenants Committee: **Bob Reeves** reported they had been presented some issues by the Board and had come up with some proposals. One concerns the watercraft registration and the other is the hunting of Canadian Geese. Basically on the watercraft registration; there was an issue that was brought a few years ago and under Article 4, A; "Watercraft registration requirements or registration or proof of ownership on the

watercraft etc.”, would be removed in its entirety and replaced with the following: “On current registration or proof of ownership on the watercraft, all names put on the watercraft title must be Goose Creek property owners”.

Concerning the hunting of geese in Goose Creek, it reads: Under Article 4, “Safety and Personal Conduct; Hunting concerning the use of firearms is allowed with the written permission of the Board of Trustees. Hunting must comply with all local, state, and federal regulations in order to control the overpopulation of Canadian Geese”. The original covenant was added as a knee-jerk reaction to the overpopulation of Canadian Geese. Upon reflection there are other alternatives to control the population. We are working with the Missouri Conservation Department to use certain alternate methods such as oiling eggs. Hunting with firearms, especially within the subdivision, could be dangerous; therefore, they have proposed to remove the wording that would allow hunting and revert back to the original wording as follows: “No hunting allowed in Goose Creek”.

MOTION: **Bob Wartenbe** made a motion to adjourn the Regular Session.

Mike Casey seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION: All in favor-I: Curt Tary, yes; Randy Rickerman, yes; Mike Casey, yes; Bob Wartenbe, yes; Kim Curtis, yes; Pete Passiglia, yes; Jeni Margherio, yes; and Mark Warren, yes.

VOLUNTEER GROUPS

Fire Department: **Bob Reeves** discussed some issues with the siren in front and the cost of hooking up a replacement. He will be checking on a grant program to help with the costs of the siren controller. He announced Survival Flight is offering a discount for their helicopter coverage. It will be \$40 if you write Goose Creek Development on the application. He asked property owners not to burn since it is so windy. The fire department answered 112 EMS calls, 35 structure fires in and out of Goose Creek, 13 brush fires, 7 vehicle fires, 6 miscellaneous accidents, and 16 motor vehicle accidents. He has found most accidents happen on Saturday, Sunday, and Tuesday. There will be 2 poker runs during the sale on lots which will bring more people into Goose Creek.

POVA: **Sheila White** said the issue of purchasing new chairs for the Recreational Hall has been tabled for now. They will be holding their Valentine Dance this evening and serving a spaghetti dinner. It will start at 7:00 p.m.

Neighborhood Watch: **Tom Martin** stated there will be a meeting on February 18th but none during the week for now. They could possibly help with the cost of security cameras for the office. They will also help purchase the portable spotlights for security and **Mike** added they could use some for maintenance when they are plowing for snow or putting cinders on the roads.

GCLA: **Barb Stepney** said they will be having their annual corned beef and cabbage dinner/dance for St. Patrick's Day. She added they still have money to help pay for traffic signs in Goose Creek.

Goons: **Brian Friese** reported there is not much going on at this time. They will be having a meeting today and they have raised the reward money for information leading to an arrest from \$500 to \$1,000. **Kim** added anyone interested in Neighborhood Watch signs can get them from the Goons.

Muddogs: There was no one present at the meeting.

DNF: **Margaret Jenkins** mentioned there is nothing at this time. She added they recently paid \$5,000 for the cameras at the dock. They had also offered to pay part on the purchase of new chairs for the Recreation Hall and asked what the holdup was with giving them permission to purchase them. It will cost around \$5,000 and they would split the cost with POVA. They would like to sell the metal chairs currently being used to defer some of the cost. **Bob** asked how long the plastic chairs would hold up. **Mike** felt it would be more advantageous to help pay for a new heating/air conditioning system for the Recreation Hall. After much discussion about this issue, POVA, Goons, and DNF withdrew their offer to purchase new chairs for the Recreation Hall.

Kim added when the Trustees benefit from the organizations working and holding fund raisers, they should be given options on how to spend their money and not be dictated by the Trustees on use of same. There should be a better way than what they are doing.

A person from the audience asked why they are not doing something about mooring of boats at the docks by the boat ramp. He tries to unload his boat when he is by himself and there is nowhere to park his boat while he moves his truck. Both sides of the dock should be for loading and unloading. It was suggested they add some signs designating the docks are not to be used for long time mooring.

Tom Morton suggested they contact the Conversation Department to do a fish study on the lake before restocking the lake. The department does it for free.

Someone brought up the issue of the difference between a pontoon boat and a deck boat. If they are considered different, it changes the length requirements on the boats. Another gentleman would like to upgrade to a new boat and the standard motor for the boat exceeds the horsepower limit on the lake. **Mike** told him it cannot be changed without a vote by the property owners because it is a Covenant issue.

Tom Morton brought up the issue with the pop-up camper that is parked too close to the edge of the road on Brown Road. It has been there for 6 or 7 months.

Mike Casey, Secretary

MOTIONS

MOTION: **Mike Casey** made a motion to approve the minutes from the Trustees Meeting on December 10, 2017.

Bob Wartenbe seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION: All in favor-I: Curt Tary, yes; Randy Rickerman, yes; Mike Casey, yes; Bob Wartenbe, yes; Kim Curtis, yes; Pete Passiglia, yes; Jeni Margherio, yes; and Mark Warren, yes.

MOTION: **Jeni Margherio** made a motion to approve the budget for 2017.

Pete Passiglia seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION: All in favor-I: Curt Tary, yes; Randy Rickerman, yes; Mike Casey, yes; Bob Wartenbe, yes; Kim Curtis, yes; Pete Passiglia, yes; Jeni Margherio, yes; and Mark Warren, yes.

MOTION: **Bob Wartenbe** made a motion to add more cameras and a DVR for security in the office at the cost of \$1,000 or less.

Kim Curtis seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION: All in favor-I: Curt Tary, yes; Randy Rickerman, yes; Mike Casey, yes; Bob Wartenbe, yes; Kim Curtis, yes; Pete Passiglia, yes; Jeni Margherio, yes; and Mark Warren, yes.

MOTION: **Jeni Margherio** made a motion to approve the Warrant Sheet.

Bob Wartenbe seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION: All in favor-I: Curt Tary, yes; Randy Rickerman, yes; Mike Casey, yes; Bob Wartenbe, yes; Kim Curtis, yes; Pete Passiglia, yes; Jeni Margherio, yes; and Mark Warren, yes.

MOTION: **Mark Warren** made a motion to approve the variance for **Mr. Willett, Plat 6, Lot 166**, to add a pole barn 11 feet from the front of the property.

Kim Curtis seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION: All in favor-I Curt Tary, yes; Randy Rickerman, yes; Mike Casey, yes; Bob Wartenbe, yes; Kim Curtis, yes; Pete Passiglia, yes; Jeni Margherio, yes; and Mark Warren, yes.

MOTION: **Bob Wartenbe** made a motion to sell the 2011 Dodge truck for around \$18,000.

There was no second or vote taken on the motion.

MOTION: **Mark Warren** made a motion to sell the Craftsman diamond plate tool box in maintenance for \$125.

Bob Wartenbe seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION: All in favor-I: Curt Tary, yes; Randy Rickerman, yes; Mike Casey, yes; Bob Wartenbe, yes; Kim Curtis, yes; Pete Passiglia, yes; Jeni Margherio, yes; and Mark Warren, yes.

MOTION: **Mark Warren** made a motion to contact the vendor and order the same fish as last year but not to exceed \$4,000.

Mike Casey seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION: All in favor-I: Curt Tary, yes; Randy Rickerman, yes; Mike Casey, yes; Bob Wartenbe, yes; Kim Curtis, yes; Pete Passiglia, yes; Jeni Margherio, yes; and Mark Warren, yes.

MOTION: **Randy Rickerman** made a motion to have the sale on property listed by Goose Creek from May 5-15, 2017.

Bob Wartenbe seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION: All in favor-I: Curt Tary, yes; Randy Rickerman yes; Mike Casey, yes; Bob Wartenbe, yes; Kim Curtis, yes; Pete Passiglia, yes; Jeni Margherio, yes; and Mark Warren, yes.

MOTION: **Randy Rickerman** made a motion to spend no more than \$1,500 for advertising in the local papers. The ads would be run 2 weeks ahead of the sale time and they will also use any free advertising.

Kim Curtis seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION: All in favor-I: Curt Tary, yes; Randy Rickerman, yes; Mike Casey, yes; Bob Wartenbe, yes; Kim Curtis, yes; Pete Passiglia, yes; Jeni Margherio, yes; and Mark Warren, yes.

MOTION: **Randy Rickerman** made a motion to remove all back assessments during the sale time. Adjoining access lots will be priced at \$400 and the remaining lots will be priced the same as during last year's sale. This is only for lots owned by Goose Creek.

Mike Casey seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION: All in favor-I: Curt Tary, yes; Randy Rickerman, yes; Mike Casey, yes; Bob Wartenbe, yes; Kim Curtis, yes; Pete Passiglia, yes; Jeni Margherio, yes; and Mark Warren, yes.

MOTION: **Bob Wartenbe** made a motion to adjourn the Regular Session.

Mike Casey seconded the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION: All in favor-I: Curt Tary, yes; Randy Rickerman, yes; Mike Casey, yes; Bob Wartenbe, yes; Kim Curtis, yes; Pete Passiglia, yes; Jeni Margherio, yes; and Mark Warren, yes.