

The Conservancy Initiative
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MEETING MINUTES – Board of Directors meeting

Jan. 11, 2018

Tracey Birkenhauer called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. at the corporate office. Those in attendance and constituting a quorum were:

Present: Tracey Birkenhauer, Jenny Cordina, Dr. Jason Domina, Richard Miller, Rajesh Mummineni, Kathleen Sharif, Matthew Weaver

Absent: Kathrine Horan, Krystian Lagowski

Others present: Chris Cordina

MOTION by Mummineni to approve the current meeting agenda. Seconded and passed without dissent.

MOTION by Mummineni to approve the Dec. 1, 2017 meeting minutes. Seconded and passed without dissent.

Candidates for the board of directors introduced themselves: Kathleen Sharif, Matt Weaver, Rajesh Mummineni, Jenny Cordina and Tracey Birkenhauer. Birkenhauer read a statement prepared by candidate Kathrine Horan.

There were no contested positions so the board did not enter into private discussions. Birkenhauer mentioned Horan's willingness to accept the position of VP or secretary.

MOTION by Miller to elect all of the prospective new members to the board. Seconded and passed without dissent.

MOTION by Weaver to elect Horan to officer position of Secretary. Seconded and passed without dissent.

MOTION by Sharif to elect Mummineni to officer position of Treasurer. Seconded and passed without dissent.

MOTION by Birkenhauer to elect Weaver to officer position of Vice President. Seconded and passed without dissent.

MOTION by Weaver to elect Birkenhauer to officer position of President. Seconded and passed without dissent.

The new board discussed insurance liability and potential coverages the board should purchase. Weaver said the risk is high if someone says something inflammatory at a meeting, especially a board member. He suggested every board member purchase an umbrella policy in addition to

their personal homeowner's policy. Each board member agreed to investigate and purchase umbrella policies, with many board members stating they already have this type of coverage.

The board discussed the class action lawsuit and the lack of information available online. Mummenini agreed to investigate further.

The board agreed it needs to improve communication efforts to inform communities around Arbor Hills Landfill that the landfill is under-funded from a remediation and management standpoint, as mentioned by Larry Bean of the Michigan Dept. of Environmental Quality.

TASK – Every board member agreed to document their top 5 strategic priorities and provide the information to Cordina. Cordina agreed to write a strategy document.

The board agreed the nonprofit attorney should focus his attention on investigating ways the landfill is not complying with laws, policies and procedures.

The board agreed the odor reporting system will need support and marketing to make it effective. Cordina commented the web platform is superior to a phone app that must be downloaded to be used. Birkenhauer said the web system likely will launch from the stoparborhills.com website.

Birkenhauer made the board aware of the Arbor Hills Landfill Community Advisory Group meeting on Jan. 25 in Plymouth.

The board agreed they will meet at least once a quarter.

Adjournment

MOTION by Birkenhauer to adjourn the meeting. Seconded and passed without dissent. Meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Birkenhauer.