

# HOA BOARD MINUTES

## Fieldstone Homeowners Association

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*September 29, 2022, 6:00 PM | Meeting called to order by Bill Navigato, President*

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### In Attendance

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Bill Navigato, President; Barbara Schroeder, Treasurer; Tom Musto, Vice-President; Tim Ward, Secretary

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM

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### Board Welcome

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1. Meeting was held at the Savoy Recreational Center and 14 Fieldstone residents were in attendance.
  2. Two Presenters (Emily and Amanda) from The Farnsworth Group were also in attendance.
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### Approval of Minutes

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1. Minutes of July 5th meeting were posted on the fieldstonehoasavoy.org website under 2022 meeting and reports.
    - a. Bill motioned to approve minutes, Tom seconded motion. Motion passed 4-0
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### President's Report

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1. No Report
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### Treasurer's Report

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1. Barb Schroeder shared the following:
    - a. The HOA is currently in line to have a 4% budget surplus for the fiscal year.
    - b. A Plus lawn care service (our landscaping service provider) was able to fix the entrance lights, but they were vandalized. Luckily, a resident that works with Aladdin Electric (Mike) was able to assist and fixed again.
    - c. A huge thanks to the area residents that came out to help clean up the community playground area, corner of Summerbrook and Ridge Crest.
    - d. All dues are paid for 2022.
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### Old Business

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1. Bill and Tim indicated that they are still trying to find a signage company for no swimming signs, and one is identified, we will also check on cost for no trespassing signs.
2. Discussion that highlighted covenant issues that have been brought up in emails and comments from residents since last HOA Meeting included street parking, approved yard signs (realtor), garbage containers. HOA has stated in the past they cannot legally enforce those covenants but will see about sharing covenants with new residents as they are identified. Resident Sharon Morgan offered to help in getting those covenants to new residents.

1. The South Pond Basin Shoreline Protection presentation was made by the Farnsworth Group's Emily Poynter Jenkins and assistant. A pdf of the presentation will be provided on the Fieldstone website once it is made available from The Farnsworth Group.
  - a. Presentation included two options for rehabilitating the basin's shoreline, Riprap or Native Plantings:
    - i. Installing Riprap on the shoreline. Riprap is a permanent layer of large, angular stone, cobbles, or boulders typically used to armor, stabilize, and protect the soil surface against erosion. Riprap tends to be tidy and provide a clean look to your pond. While it does a superb job of protecting your banks from erosion, it also does not eliminate the goose nuisance. Riprap is also the most expensive option with cost estimate starting at \$328,000, which includes a 10% contingency.
    - ii. Installing Native Plantings on the shoreline. Native Plantings would provide the south pond with natural edge, which can be wonderful for the ecosystem and are less work and maintenance than a pond with rock edging (riprap). Native plants will eventually grow in along with the grass and create a perimeter around the shoreline. The tall grasses act as a filter to keep the water clean and there is very little maintenance required. You can choose to periodically tidy up the edges for any undesirable weeds. This option could help with the goose population too, as geese do not like to walk through the tall grasses. Native Planting option has a cost estimate starting at \$207,000, which includes a 10% contingency.
  - b. Resident comments included:
    - i. Identifying local contractors to bid on the project.
    - ii. Having A Plus plant all the Native Plantings to save on expense.
    - iii. Confirm with Village of Savoy what they own and maintain.
  - c. Emily identified the key elements that need to be addressed were the 5 inlet pipes flowing into the South Pond and that another option would be to riprap those and include Native Plantings around the South Pond. That could be an estimate of \$50-60K, but she did not have official documentation, that was based on her experience in the industry
  - d. Emily confirmed that The Farnsworth Group would provide all final construction plans that the Fieldstone HOA would need to provide contractors if it is decided to coordinate all activity on our own. The Farnsworth Group can also assume all project planning at an additional fee.
  - e. Emily will email Roland White with the Village of Savoy to clarify who owns and who is responsible for the following drainage system components to include Pipes, inlets, and manholes within the Fieldstone subdivision, end sections within basin bank and the stormwater basins.
2. 2023 HOA Board Election
  - a. The board has three positions that need to be elected for a two-year term. The board has one additional vacancy that according to the by-laws, needs to be appointed to the board, to fill one more year to the two-year term. An email will be sent to all residents the week of October 3, 2022, to request nominations.
  - b. Candidates that would like to submit a bio and headshot "may submit" them. This is not a requirement, only the signed board compliance form (available on the website) MUST be signed and submitted.
  - c. Election will occur in November and new HOA Board will start January 1, 2023.

d. Nominations will be accepted through October 14, 2023.

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### **Next Meeting**

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No next meeting is scheduled. Motion to adjourn at 7:50 PM

Respectfully Submitted, Tim Ward, Secretary