The 29th Annual Meeting Report

The Twenty-Ninth Annual Meeting of the Edgewater Estates Property Owners Association, Inc. was held Saturday, October 19, 2019, at the Lewes Public Library, 111 Adams Ave, Lewes DE 19958.

The meeting was called to order by President Bernard Fiegel at 10:00 am. Board members in attendance were Bernard Fiegel, Mark Stellini, Barbara Mudryk, and Nancy Tartaglione. Dean Dey was not in attendance.

Attendance: There are 285 properties with (44) residents and (4) board members attending for a total of (48).

President and Committee Reports

President's Report

The president introduced the board members and thanked them for their time. He then discussed the problem of the lack of volunteers and what the future options for the EEPOA, Inc were.

All residents had received a letter announcing the meeting and advising them of the vacancies on the Board of Directors. Of the six positions one had been vacant for over two years; consequently, the board had been operating with only five directors. In addition, the chairperson of the Architectural Review Committee had resigned over two years ago leaving the position vacant. With three directors resigning this year, there would be four vacancies on the board along with ARC chairperson.

President Fiegle then discussed the possibility of outsourcing some services to a management company with the board still remaining and all ByLaws and Covenants remaining in effect if enough volunteers could not be found.

Discussion of Options

Directors Fiegle, Mudryk, and Tartaglione had met with Seascape Management Co., a local company who had been recommended by both other communities and EEPOA's attorney. The services were discussed along with the cost. This would result in the need to raise dues.

The second option was for volunteers to step forward. Of the four positions open, both a treasurer and secretary would be needed. Residents interested in running for the positions left their names as possible candidates. One resident with construction experience volunteered to serve on the ARC.

The possibility of dissolving the EEPOA, Inc was also discussed. However, this was not considered a good option as most residents agreed that the boat ramp and the architectural guidelines need to be maintained.

At the end of the discussion, Director Mark Stellini took the names of those residents who were interested in helping, and they will be contacted. A meeting to elect new Board Members will be scheduled, and residents will receive information about the new election meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Raymond Book Associates is compiling the end of the year review.

Committee Reports

Architectural Review

Two sheds, two additions, one porch, and one fence were approved during the year. Presently, the Board of Directors is acting as the Review Committee, but an Architectural Review Chairperson is needed.

Web Site - edgewaterestates.org

The web site continues to be managed by Fine Line, and it is updated periodically. The Directory is password protected, and all residents have had the password sent to them in the RIPRAP. If they need the password, they can contact the secretary at vinnan239@hotmail.com

Neighborhood Watch

Presently this committee is vacant, but residents are asked to check the neighborhood website Next Door. To join go to next-door.com/join. The code is ERCSVC. If you any information about suspicious activities, or any knowledge about something happening, please post it on this site. In addition, the state police keep it updated with neighborhood messages.

Grounds, Maintenance, and Boat Ramp

The PVC pipe which is attached to the chain that goes across the entrance to the ramp had to be replaced after it disappeared. Mark Stellini and Barbara Mudryk have the boat ramp keys for residents when they request them. The information is on the website on how to contact them.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30am.

Organizational Meeting for Volunteers - Date TBD

Next Annual Meeting - October 17, 2020, 10am, at the Lewes Public Library.