

Howell Point Association
Minutes of Annual Meeting, May 25, 2019

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On 5/25/2019 Pete Trotter called the meeting to order. Previous and new members introduced themselves and the sign in book was passed. Pete also asked everyone to slow down their driving speed in the neighborhood. The Imagine Cass Initiative visionary sessions were discussed and he encouraged everyone to visit their web site. Pete reviewed the agenda. A summary: Pete will accept nomination for President, Sue Zimmer will accept nomination as Secretary/Treasurer for one more year but must have a replacement to mentor; and Joe Susland is also willing to accept another term on the Board. Pete thanked the Staniceks for printing the newsletter. Pete also pointed out the new signs. The minutes of the 5/26/2018 meeting were read; Gary Gravit motioned to approve, Joe Laverty 2nd and all approved. A summary of the financial report was given and the membership was told it would be posted on line. Motion to approve was made by Sue Monaghan, 2nd by Charlie Keller, All approved.

Board members gave reports as follows: Pete reported for Charlie Brown and said he is going to get a new MI flag. Mike Davidson, all lights in working order. Jerry Droppo, he will do low string fencing to deter geese again this year. He also points out Willows need trimming. As New business, Jerry Droppo, Dave Sheppard and Larry Fieldler agree to take on this task rather than hiring the job out. Larry Fieldler, Grass will be cut when water recedes and broad leaf weed killer applied. John Monaghan reports 18 remain on boat waiting list for pier slips, and all kayak spots are spoken for. Although his position as Harbor Master (or Boat Chairman) and Board member are separate, John made it clear he will not accept nomination as a Board member, but will continue as Harbor Master with intention of finding a replacement for next season. Joe Suseland, Toilet and trash cans have been delivered after some delay and extra phone calls. He will continue to apply goose deterrent spray as need arises. Members may alert him as they notice increase of activity. Picnic Committee, Rosemary Davidson, Picnic date is July 20, 2019. Pinata and gifts for Children. Hearty side dishes are requested rather than deserts. This is Rosemary's last year as Picnic Chair and we need volunteer to step up.

New Business: Don Moroz asks for Parking Lines be redrawn, Pete Trotter and Larry Fiedler agree to do so. Pete announced added gravel at ramp improves ability to launch small craft and request caution to not disrupt same. Gary Gravit made statement the retention or "drainage" ditches should be cleaned out. No other discussion continued on the matter. Jerry Droppo expressed sincere interest in taking on the Harbor Master position but then would relinquish the task of the Beach supervision. Jerry, Dave and Larry will remove sucker growth and low hanging limbs on willow trees as needed rather than incurring additional maintenance costs. Pete Trotter will monitor our web site. New member Jessica Shinn volunteers to help with the picnic this year and perhaps take over for next year as well.

Officer and board member elections: Position for President was introduced, Pete Trotter was nominated by Wayne Sharnack, 2nd by Joe Laverty, and all approved. Dual position of Secretary/Treasurer nomination of Sue Zimmer was made by Don Moroz, 2nd by Gary Gravit, all approved. Board member Joe Suseland was presented for retention by Rene Suseland with 2nd by Wayne Sharnack all approved.

The Board position currently held by John Monaghan was declined with no new nominations offered. With no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Sue Fielder, 2nd by Gary Gravit. All approved. [end]