

# Minutes

Revision as of September 29

September 6, 2022  
4:00pm  
Home of Leslie Bigos

In attendance: Kim Rose (President), Scott Bailey (At Large), Doug Fraser (Vice President), Idy Huth (Treasurer), Leslie Bigos (Secretary), Carol Ferber (Member)

Call to Order 4:02

## **Septic Contract**

The Board discussed the report from the Septic Committee (attached below).  
Doug Fraser to contact Leo Espinoza

## **General Meeting Planning**

The Board began planning for the Annual General Meeting

- When: November 5, 11:00am
- Where: Lavender Ranch 980 Webb Place South in East Wenatchee
- President & Vice President are both open positions on the ballot.. Both Kim Rose (President) and Doug Fraser (Vice President) have expressed their desire to stay in their current positions though they encourage anyone to run if interested.
- Budget and dues remain basically the same.

## **Security Lighting**

Discussed a complaint that the Board received about outdoor lighting. The Board reviewed both the Covenants and Douglas County code in regards to residential lighting. While the Board does not find that any neighbors violate the Covenants or Douglas County code, we urge neighbors to consider their neighbor when installing outdoor lighting and shielding lights or when choosing lightbulbs. This website provides information on providing outdoor lighting and being a good neighbor. <https://greenacton.org/2014/10/09/good-neighbor-outdoor-lighting/>

## **Directory**

Will distribute the new Aspen Shores Directory. Anyone who wants a printed one can request it.

## **Financials & Budget**

- Dues in on time
- Checks written (attached)
- Reviewed Budget and Profit & Loss statements.

- Discussed adding the monies saved by putting a wireless alarm in the drainfield, to the septic maintenance account.
- A septic CD is up for renewal and we will be adding the funds from the 2022 budget into a CD but we will wait as it looks like the Feds will be increasing rates.
- Blue Heron Tree Project is a line item

### **Landscaping**

- Discussed signage for Aspen Shores. Doug Fraser talked to a neighbor about us adding a sign on the big rock the HOA purchased near the Highway on Perry but he will not consent to using the rock. Doug suggested purchasing a sign for the top of Dr. Broberg's tree line.
- Bowl - Discussed plans to landscape the bowl.
- Comprehensive landscaping services - member suggestion.
- Replacement trees Blue heron, staked irrigation line for trees and weeded
- Vitagreen sprayed cherry trees. Idy Huth will contact contractor to prune cherry trees and spirea in Fall along Aspen Shores and Blue Heron lanes.

### **Covenants**

Discussed Air B&B - vs running a business out of a home and advertising  
Motion: Consult legal regarding review and advice of our Covenants regarding Air B&B, VRBO and fractional ownership Vote aye 5 nay 0

Adjourn: 5:38pm

# Septic Committee Report

September 6, 2022

Prepared by Dan Bigos

## Wireless Alarms Septic Field

Septic committee is investigating replacing the Zippy landline telephone connection to the septic alarms for our dosing tanks on Rock Island Road with a device that provides a wireless connection via local cell phone services. We currently pay \$61.49 monthly/ 737.88 annually for the landline.

According to Keyhole Security, which provides the monitoring services for our dosing tanks, the device that uses the wireless connection costs \$150 plus tax to install and adds a \$5.43 charge to the current monthly monitoring service, for a total of \$422.55 annual monitoring costs.

The wireless device can also initiate text messages to notify septic committee members regarding any alarms or warnings regarding dosing tank operations.

If the wireless device can be installed and work properly, the HOA can pay for itself in about 3 months and then **generate a savings of \$\$672.72 annually.**

## Septic Inspections

Since being notified by Eric Stanaway (Tryways) that he will no longer be providing annual inspections of homeowners' septic systems as well as the dosing tanks and drain field, we have been looking for a new provider. We have contacted Pumptech, Joe's Septic, Apple Valley Pumping, Goldstone, and W/W Pumping service. With the exception of WW/Pumping Service, they have all indicated that they are not interested in providing the service, are understaffed, or were unresponsive to our request, even after follow-up reminders.

W/W Pumping has been tied up in providing services for forest fires. We await a reply. Case Kwak is also checking with a provider outside of Wenatchee. We hope to have some resolution to this situation by the end of September.

We have also spoken to Brian Dickey of Chelan Douglas Health District regarding our situation. He was not surprised that it has been difficult to find a provider. Brian indicated that if we are unable to find a single provider to offer annual inspection services, individual homeowners will be responsible for finding a provider to do the annual inspection of their septic systems. And in

that case, the septic committee will find a provider to conduct the annual dosing tank and drain field inspection.