# **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

# **MINUTES APPROVAL FORM**

I HAVE READ THE MINUTES OF THE HOMEOWNERS/SUNSHINE MEETING HELD

OCT. 15 2021

AND HEREBY APPROVE OF THE MINUTES AS WRITTEN.

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VICE PRESIDENT Cosella	Schuca Woolzorl
TREASURER Joan & Steen	11/30/2021
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SGT-AT-ARMS Min	11/16/2021
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### WHITING VILLAGE AT CRESTWOOD COMMUNITY ASSN. INC.

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## **HOMEOWNERS/SUNSHINE MEETING**

#### **OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**

Homeowners/Sunshine meeting was held at 10:00 AM and 6:30 PM in the Auditorium of Fernwood Hall on Friday, October 15, 2021.

Trustees present: KEN FREEMAN, PRES., ROSETTA DELUCA, VICE-PRES., BARBARA D'AVERSO, SECRETARY, JOAN STEEVER, TREASURER, ROBERT BUONANNO, SGT-AT-ARMS, KEN STEBNER, TRUSTEE-AT-LARGE.

President Freeman chaired the meeting. Pledge of Allegiance was said, and a prayer was given.

This was the first Homeowners/Sunshine meeting of the new Board, and as such there were no previous minutes to be read. The last meeting had been in August 2021, as the September 2021 meeting had been canceled by the Board President at that time.

Reports from Trustees: President Ken Freeman gave an opening statement. He announced that revisions to the Rules and Regulations were being completed, and would be posted on the Village website as soon as possible.

Vice-President Rosetta DeLuca announced that she is hosting a Day- After-Thanksgiving Dinner at the clubhouse, open to all residents who did not have the opportunity to enjoy a true Thanksgiving Day Dinner. This event is being paid for entirely by donations from homeowners, at no cost whatsoever to the Village. There will be volunteers performing the work, also dinners will be delivered to residents who cannot leave their homes.

Rosetta informed homeowners that our Village paid \$3,640.00 to Manchester Police for their presence at the last meetings held by the previous Board, including the Meet The Candidates Night and Election Night; also that a signed, executed contract for Good Mowin', the company that has been performing landscaping and snow removal services for this Village, cannot be found in our files. Our lawyer does not have a copy either. Good Mowin' unexpectedly announced, the day after our Election, that they would cease to service this Village as of the middle of November, effectively leaving this Village without snow removal services for the coming winter. The Board is actively searching for a new company for both services, and will shortly begin accepting bids.

Rosetta also informed homeowners that the Board is discussing possible ideas concerning the Fence around the pond, that the Board will be meeting with the Village's Insurance Company for a discussion, and that they are also scheduled to meet with Trinity, the company the Village contracted with for the Solar panels at the clubhouse.

Treasurer Joan Steever read the monthly Treasurer's Report. She also said that Village investments are not doing as well as they possibly could, and that the Board will be investigating low-risk investments for the future.

Secretary Barbara D'Averso made several announcements, including that the Trustees will be hosting a Craft/Gift Show on Friday December 3 2021, at the clubhouse auditorium.

Ken Stebner spoke about the necessity of homeowners' being prudent in removing walls within their houses, as some walls are weight-bearing, and their removal may compromise the integrity of the entire structure. He reminded homeowners that Section 6.j in the ByLaws regulates this specific area. Homeowners needs to get approval from the Board and possibly a permit from Manchester, if applicable.

Ken also spoke about the need for people to slow their driving speed down on our Village streets, citing the fact that many people walk for recreation or to exercise their dogs, and speeders endanger everyone.

Robert Buonanno made remarks concerning our search for a new snow removal company.

There were four guest speakers at this meeting, Mayoral & Councilman Candidates for the upcoming Manchester Election. Both sets of Candidates spoke about their plans and visions for the future of Manchester, and addressed questions from the audience concerning Comcast/Xfinity, services for local veterans and ways of attracting businesses into the Whiting Area, specifically the nearby Whiting Center shopping mall.

Presidents of both the Womens' and Residents' Club gave reports: Residents' Club will be hosting a Painting Party in December, have restarted Bingo on Saturdays, are opening up for Clubs such as Shuffleboard, Ceramics, and Crafts. No bus trips are planned. They decided to cancel their Annual November Craft Show.

The Womens' Club will be having their yearly Hi-Lo Cards/ Tricky Tray Event on November 12. Both groups requested volunteers for their individual events.

The floor was opened to the audience. There were many concerns and questions. Including the topics of the new garbage cans being substandard and easily broken, Trees that need to be removed or trimmed and the Village's responsibility for trees in the Common Areas, maintenance and the responsibilities of Stanley, our contracted maintenance company, complaints about and ideas for more efficacious use of the bus service from Stout, which the Village provides free on a daily basis to all residents. Also, residents requested that the clubhouse host free Covid Tests, and asked if free Flu shots could also be offered.

The Board answered as many questions as they had the knowledge to do so, and promised to investigate and further discuss other matters at the next Homeowners/Sunshine meeting.

Meeting in morning began at 10 AM and ended at noon.

Meeting that began at 6:30 PM closed at 9:00 PM.