

**The Lakes POA
Board Meeting
January 18, 2021
6:30 PM South Office**

I. Call to order 6:35 pm

- Roll call
George Duhaime, Charlene Carson, Doug Owens, and George Eber were present for the meeting. Andreann Geise, Craig Wright, Glen Ashley, Frank Murawski, Deborah Wolcott, Michelle Ferrante, Donna Yearsley and Bob Tomassetti were unable to attend.
- Invited Guest- Susan Collin has been appointed the open board seat for the year 2020-2021. Her term will expire in 2022-2023.

II. Approval of Agenda and Minutes

- Approval of Agenda for January 18, 2021- Motion made, seconded and carried.
- Approval of December 16, 2020 minutes-Motion made, seconded and carried.

III. Financial Update

- Doug Owens presented a financial update and the POA is in good financial standing.

IV. Projects for 2021

a) Sidewalks (see vote results)

- The board will now pursue RFP to meet county and state codes and make decision at a later time as to which road will be the first to receive work.

b) Curbing and road maintenance

- Waccamaw River Road continues to get damaged by the big trucks in the curve. Currently the developer is getting charged for the repairs each time those need to be made. Bids were sought and received to straighten the curve and to install curbing. A motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the bid from Palmetto Paving in the amount of \$23,000. The road will be widened 3' and a 24" curbing will be installed.
- A resolution by the board was adopted to include charging the contractors that damage any community property in The Lakes. The motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously.

c) Drainage

- George Eber will check the complaints being received about drainage on New River Road and report back to the board with his finding.

V. New Business

a) January Newsletter Deadline

- All articles have been submitted for the January newsletter and will be mailed to the community by January 27, 2021.

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b) Community vote (included on the proxy/ballot mailing)

- Sidewalks-Waccamaw River Road to Santee River Road lake side and Cooper River Road opposite side to mailboxes. A poll has been taken from the community if they are in agreement to start planning to add sidewalks to the community in phases. Tabulation of the votes: 122 yes votes, 105 No votes and 13 no responses out of the returned proxies.

c) Board Elections and Annual meeting

- Annual Meeting will be postponed while we are under a state of emergency due to the pandemic. George Duhaime, Doug Owens and Jesse Phil Bailey terms are up. The board decided to continue with the election of board members without having the annual meeting. The proxy/ballot will be sent out to the community for the election of 3 board members on December 31, 2020. Returned were 240 proxied (out of 645 property owners). George Duhaime received 191 votes; Doug Owens received 196 votes; 27 proxies were returned without a selection being made. These two gentlemen were elected to the board. The board then appointed Susan Collins as the third member to the board.

d) ACC Volunteers needed

- The ACC is seeking volunteers for the committee as well as someone to chair the committee as Dave Vecchio will be leaving the position at the end of the month.

e) Miscellaneous items

- Covenants meeting will be called for those members of the covenants committee. The plan is to hold the meeting at the LRC to discuss changes that need to be made to the documents.
- Speed trailer has been ordered to use throughout the community as a means of monitoring the speed of vehicles driving through the community in hopes it will bring attention to the speed limit.

VI. **Adjournment-** Motion made, seconded and carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 pm.