

High Knob Owners Association, Inc.

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

May 8, 2023

Name	Present
Greg Sadler, President	N
Desiree Williams, Vice President	Y
Watts Hill, Treasurer	Y
Ron Perlik, Secretary	Y
Barry Smith, Director	zoom
Jerry Pomeroy, Field Services Manager	Y
Pam Mainhart, Administrative Coordinator	Y

Attendees

Jeanette Myer, John Hite, Kelsey Griswold-Berger, Carol Phillips, Luis Villaneuva, Rea Howarth, Garrison Myer, and Barb Perlik.

Guests

Crystal Cline, George Cline, and Alan Smoot

Meeting Purpose

To review HKOAI old and new business and establish any action items for the continued improvement of the High Knob community.

Meeting Called to Order: 8:05 pm

Approval of Minutes from Previous Board Meeting

The minutes of the April 10, 2023 meeting were reviewed. Mr. Hill moved that the minutes be accepted as presented. Ms. Williams seconded the motion. It was passed unanimously.

Financial Report

Mr. Hill met with our financial advisor at Edward Jones, today. Our current CD investments are showing a positive return. Our 2023-2024 budget was accepted by Warren County. The personal property tax rate will be 0.655%. We are slightly ahead of projections for income YTD.

Staff Reports

Administrative Coordinator's Report

Ms. Mainhart stated that the newsletter was sent out to 374 residents. The investment and bank accounts were reconciled. The financial statements were prepared and

reviewed. One of the two mailbox clusters were received, and their cost was \$209.84 below the \$4500 approved amount.

Field Services Manager's Report

The cameras for the security system have been ordered. Two new picnic tables have been ordered. Much work has been done to prepare the pool for opening. Gravel has been spread on several dirt roads following grading.

Old Business

- Walking Trail - The most recent work day for Section 3 of the walking trail was cancelled due to unavailability of volunteers. Ms. Mainhart went ahead and performed some work on her own. A new work date is pending.
- Security Systems: Mr. Hill reported that cameras have been ordered. We have purchased a less sophisticated system due to non-availability of contractors and support for a higher-tech solution.
- Redbud Tree Planting -
 - Rea Howarth reported that a total of 70 redbud trees were purchased. 11 were planted on High Knob property and the remaining ones were purchased by residents.
 - There have been many positive comments about the results of the project.

New Business

- Crystal Cline, candidate for Sheriff, introduced herself. She stated that she has over 22 years of experience with the Town of Front Royal Police Department. Her initiatives include improving relations between the Police Department and the Warren County Sheriff's Office and stepping up measures to thwart illegal drugs in the region. She also wants to reinstate a dedicated animal control division and address response to mental health crises.
- Mr. Watts expressed concern about apparent inadequate response by the current Sheriff's Office to High Knob concerns such as traffic and zoning issues.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:05 pm

The next board meeting will be the Annual Meeting at 2 pm on June 25, 2023.

Respectfully submitted by Ron Perlik, Secretary