

Berkshire Lakes Master Association

Keeping you Informed April 24, 2018

The 2018 BLMA Annual meeting scheduled for March 21st was adjourned and rescheduled for April 18th; a result of a mailing processing error on the part of our printing and mailing contractor. The meeting was adjourned and rescheduled to April 18th to preserve the legality of the proxy vote document as required by law.

The meeting on April 18th was called to order at 3:00 pm, for the tabulation of the election ballots and the proxy votes to roll over 2018 surplus funds into the 2019 operating budget. With the opening of the first election ballot, the election polls were officially closed. Once the all the ballots and proxies received were tabulated the meeting was adjourned until 7:00 pm.

At 7:00 pm the meeting was reconvened and the format was segmented into three parts; (1) The BLMA financial position at year end 2017, 2017 accomplishments, 2018 to date, 2018 work in progress, aging infrastructure. (2) Members input and (3) 2018 election results. The presentation was formatted utilizing Power Point, the details of that presentation are shown below:

With regard to the election process. 1639 Ballots and Proxies were mailed and 520 envelopes were returned. To rollover the surplus funds, 246 ballots were necessary to establish a quorum; 51% of the 246 were needed to approve the rollover. 354 proxies were received, 353 yes and one (1) no. The measure passed and the rollover was approved.

With regard to BLMA Board of Directors election, there were five (5) candidates competing for the four (4) open Director positions.

Elected were Ken Beaty, Linda O'Connor Craig, Robert Luparello and Bob Pacquin

A short organizational meeting was held for the Directors to elect the board's officers for the coming year, those results and your new board are as follows:

President – Robert (Bob) Luparello  
Secretary – Linda O'Connor Craig  
Director – Ken Beaty

Vice President – Tony Maro  
Treasurer – Orie LaCroix  
Director – David Orr

My sincere thanks to all who participated in the election process and urge those who did not to make an effort to get involved in the process.

To all my best wishes for an enjoyable summer season and we look forward to our seasonal residents return in the fall.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert (Bob) Luparello, President  
Berkshire Lakes Master Association

President's Report  
2018 Annual Meeting  
April 18, 2018

The President's report was delivered with the aid of a Power Point display, listed below is the essence of that presentation.

- 2017 year- end financial position. Surplus operating funds were a negative \$5493 due to \$125,794 expended in fourth quarter for clean-up a result of Hurricane Irma. Reserve funds spent in 2017 were \$112,717
- 2017 Accomplishments
  - Tennis courts refurbished
  - New benches for tennis courts
  - Upgrade the security system
  - Replaced clubhouse carpet
  - Repairs to western border fence
  - 2 new office computers
  - Lake water usage permits
  - Water usage metering
  - Relocate Santa Barbara flag pole
  - New irrigation system on radio road
  - Updated Policy & Procedures manual
  - Single family homes tenant rental approval policy implemented
  - Significant increase in number of e-mail addresses for e-communications
- 2018 to Date
  - Perimeter Fences Radio Rd & Santa Barbara Blvd. repaired, hedge, mulch, sod replaced as necessary
  - 2, 5 ton A/C systems replaced in the clubhouse (paid from reserves)
  - Irrigation system on Radio Road replaced and relocated.
  - Royal Palm on Dartmouth replaced.
  - Ongoing storm damage clean-up.
  - Repaired entrance columns on Compton Lane N.
  - Florida Friendly Landscaping incorporated into ARB guidelines, residents apprised of changes
  - GFA testing of all five lakes, results positive.
- Work In Progress
  - 5000 linear feet of western border fence to be replaced starting on May 21<sup>st</sup>.
  - Planting of aquatic plants on BLMA common properties.
  - Replanting of floating islands
  - Poll and tennis court entrance locks upgraded, a safety requirement.
  - Radio Road type D buffer upgrade.
- Aging Infrastructure
  - Load balancing and upgrade to Dartmouth electrical system
  - Clubhouse pool equipment
  - Clubhouse electrical panel
  - Common area irrigation system
  - Appleby and Belville entrance signs irrigation.
- Special Thanks

- All our volunteers on various committees, ballot counters, office staff and Ability back room operation. Established clubs, exercise group leaders,
- Two hard working ladies who purged old books and professionally organized our lending library. Sharon Clair (Windsor Place) and Billie Schrader (Melrose gardens).
- Maureen Richards for your long dedicated service as a Director and Secretary of the BLMA board of directors.