

## MINUTES FOR LEE OAK COOPERATIVE, INC.

Wed, Mar 15, 2023

### 605P Zoom Member Meeting began

Board: Lynne-President, Bill-Vice-President, Karen-Treasurer, *missing Scott-Operations Manager*, also in attendance Elise McManus ROC CoOp Representative. To date Lee Oak CoOp is still looking for someone to volunteer to be Secretary. As you see reading through the Minutes, Lee Oak President, Vice-President, and Treasurer are doing double duty without having a Secretary.

Members: Gretchen, Neil, Doug and Caren

Treasurer Report: Operating \$128,053.76, Petty Cash \$650, RE Tax \$25,459.00, SRF \$30,003.21, Capital Improvement \$48,746.78, and Priority Fund \$14,010.00.

**TREES:** Per Lynne, Cedar Run doesn't open until April 1, 2023. Lynne has left email and voicemail to setup day and time to evaluate all trees. Bill brought up the concern for use of woodchipper as the rocks and dirt could potentially damage the chipper blades. Without having the woodchipper in the past no information on cost.

**DATES: Fire Pit Permits** April 1<sup>st</sup> and **Volunteer Forms** October 1<sup>st</sup>

**PLOW: Hups Landcare NOT snow plowing for Lee Oak;** members have been keeping our roads plowed and sanded. To put out bids for 2023-2024 snow plowing. No mention of which company(s).

**NEW WELL:** Bill updated that electric box outside well house, generator, and underground propane tank are in place, but work has to be done in spring to hookup and run the wiring to meter and gas lines to the equipment. Main line at the road cannot be done until all contaminants are gone and the ground thawed. There are new laws on water quality. Epping Well will continue as our maintenance contractor for both wells.

**OLD WELL:** once the new well goes online, the old well will be maintained as a backup. The well house will be rebuilt so its more easily accessible for maintenance.

**AMBLESIDE SIGN:** Neil mentioned that no one has come to our house to evaluate the old sign from Route 125. Gretchen volunteered for Emilio to evaluate for possibility of refurbishing to match new Lee Oak sign that was damaged this past winter.

**GRANT:** Lynne is going to complete the annual Better Together \$2,000 Beautification Grant Application awarded by ROC. This could best be used to rebuild our mailhouse (from roof to floor) and replace all the broken mailboxes. We have had members complete the application

the past two years, but haven't been awarded the Grant. The first year, Lee Oak received \$50.00. Last year we didn't receive anything. The application is due back to ROC by May 17, 2023.

**MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES:** Bill has been handling Membership Certificates as each new Member is qualified. As many Members apply as a couple, it was decided that the name(s) used for their Certificate will be how their Deed is written.

**EVERSOURCE:** Gretchen mentioned the electric pole light by their house is out. *Bill highly suggests for pole lights to make sure you receive a Work Order Number.* Anyone can reach Eversource 24 hours a day at **800-662-7764** for pole lights and anytime the power goes out.

**ANNUAL MEETING:** items that need to be discussed and voted on – during winter months, do we want to hold Board Meetings every other month? Voting for President, possibly Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary. Operations Manager still has one more year on his term.

**NEW MEMBERS:**

35 Roberts Road sold, 49 Roberts Road back to family member, 123 Roberts Road sold, 140 Roberts Road – still for sale, and 141 Michael Drive still for sale.

**ELISE MCMANUS:** emailing the Board regarding more online classes and a brochure for Family Assistance which will be posted at the mailhouse.

**Motion to end meeting** at 702P by Bill and seconded by Karen.