# Agenda of Oakwood Meadows Homeowners Association

Special Bylaw Meeting date: October 22nd, 2014

Call to order: A Board of Directors meeting of the Oakwood Meadows Homeowners Association was held in South Lyon, MI on October 22nd 2014. The meeting convened at 7:05, Vice President Laura Leshok presiding, and Larry Wildt, Secretary.

#### **Board Members in attendance:**

Kevin Gunning (excused) Curt Hutchinson

Laura Leshok

Roy Meadows

Jim Smalley (excused)

Leisa Thompson

Larry Wildt

Katie Wind

## Members in attendance:

- Eric Isltalo
- Wendy Turner
- John Long
- Dan Peterlin
- Donna Smalley
- Eric Wagenschwanz
- Gail Meloche
- Norm Meloche
- Kathy Bratcher
- Darby Kelly
- Dan Tomakowski
- Keith Miner
- Jon Fairchild
- Bruce Pedersen
- Ron Evasic

### Old business:

- Authentic and tally the votes of the proposed bylaws.
  - o 78 total ballots were received
    - 76 ballots that were received at the meeting
    - One ballot was discarded as the ballot envelope was not signed
    - Two ballots came in the day after the election and were counted based on the postmark date
    - Secondary confirmation identified that one ballot was invalid as it was not signed by the property owner on file but by their spouse and was discarded.
  - o The proposed bylaws passed with 55/Yes 21/No votes 2/ invalid (50 were required to pass)

## Comments requested and received on the ballots:

- 1. "Drop requirement to follow Robert's Rules, they are too complicated. It will be difficult to run annual meeting when most will not know the rules (11.05)"
  - a. Robert's Rules is a more than 100 year old guide that provide organizations with procedural rules to keep their deliberations orderly. It provides a set of rules for conduct at meetings and provides the basic handbook for operations.
- 2. "Need to be more clear on how votes will be anonymous without violating one vote per owner. Note: you did this ballot correctly with envelope. I think you need to spell this out so you don't get a stack of anonymous ballots with no idea of where they came from for future voting 3.03"
  - a. I think it worked well for the first time and there are areas that can be improved on. A key part to ensure that we don't get a stack of anonymous ballots is by <u>continuing</u> to require a signature. Next year, we will work on a clearer set of instructions.
- 3. "I do not like the structure of the president not having a vote. Why would you want to be president if you cannot vote?"
  - a. This allows the President to be impartial which is required of the presiding officer to ensure that all members of the board participate and are heard. This also precludes exercising the rights to make motions or speak in debate while presiding, and also requires refraining from voting.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:54pm

Larry Wildt

Date of approval: November 5th, 2014

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