

## **EPICA Annual Meeting October 12, 2019**

**Members present:** Judy Gould, Art Gould, Cathy White, Dave White, Larry Andrew, Marna Andrew, Bob Clark, Barbara Clark, Richard Anthes, Susan Anthes, Paula Dubberly, Abbie Arms, Sara Dubberly, Dorcas Zoller, Joe Zoller, Sergio Martinez, Lilian Curbelo, Julie Turner

President Art Gould called the meeting to order at 4:35 PM. He asked that all introduce themselves and sign the attendance list.

**Action:** Art reviewed the minutes of the October 6, 2018 Annual Meeting and made a motion to accept the minutes as stated. Rick Anthes- second. The 2018 annual meeting minutes were accepted unanimously.

### **October 12, 2019 Treasurer's Report:**

Bank balance October 6, 2018	6,355.56
Deposits (dues)	9,600.00
Total revenue	15,955.56
Expenses	(9,414.00)

(Road repair, attorney fee, Website and post office box)

**Bank balance October 12, 2019** **\$ 6,541.56**

A question was raised about the number of dues paying EPICA members. Out of 104 names on the membership list, 47 have paid / 57 have not. A follow up question asked for clarification about membership, dues, and voting privileges. Art explained that all property owners in East Piney Island are "members" of EPICA but only dues paying members have voting privileges. For the purpose of voting, a dues paying property owner/s has a single vote, regardless of how many properties owned or number of people who might co-own the property. Judy Gould reminded everyone that a great way to recruit additional dues paying members is through neighbor to neighbor contact and information sharing.

### **Articles of Incorporation and By Laws**

**Action:** Art made a motion to approve the revised EPICA Articles of Incorporation and By Laws that have been in the process of review by the membership (email copy and Website). Larry Andrew-second. The Articles of Incorporation and By Laws were approved unanimously with no questions or discussion. Art thanked the bylaw committee (Paula Dubberly, Scott Norris, Barbary Early) for all their hard work on the project. Following the vote, the new documents will be registered with the State of Virginia by EPICA attorney Billy Fox.

### Old Business

**Membership Directory:** We are continuing to work on an updated EPICA membership directory. It will be sent by email to the membership upon completion.

**Contractor/Service Provider directory:** Dave informed the membership that the service provider directory is posted on the Website [www.eastpineyisland.org](http://www.eastpineyisland.org) "Resource" page but it needs additional recommendations from the membership. A recommendation form is also posted on the Website.

## **Road Update :**

- All agreed that the roads are improving with regular maintenance, however, a concern was raised that Oak Drive is deteriorating at a faster rate due to the heavier volume of traffic on that road.  
**Action:** EPICA will monitor Oak Dr for additional maintenance if needed. Art also informed the membership that there is a pile of additional crush and run gravel at the boat launch that can be used by members to fill pot holes adjacent to their property. That gravel can be accessed and used at any time.
- Concerns have also been raised about the amount of blowing dust raised by heavy traffic, particularly on Oak Drive.  
**Action:** Art explained that EPICA will work with Jim Young to address the problem and investigate possible ways (such as applying a dust suppressant) to address the dust problem. Volunteer property owners might be needed in the future to help test small sections of roadway with promising solutions. Stay tuned.
- Another concern has been raised about the high vehicle speed of some drivers, particularly during the summer months when bikers, children, and animals frequent the East Piney Island roads. Larry Andrew informed the group that in the past, EPICA has been responsible for posting “low speed/safety” signage in East Piney Island. Art suggested that the various rental agencies as well as property owners might provide renters with information regarding the need for reduced speed on the roads. Art will also contact the town to ask for support in addressing the problem

## New Business

**Trustee Emeritus:** Art described the Trustee Emeritus initiative and asked the membership for feedback/action. Rick Anthes made a motion to adopt the Trustee Emeritus initiative. Bob Clark-second. The motion was approved unanimously. Current retired Board members with Emeritus status include Larry and Marna Andrews, Roger LeMaster, Barbara Early. and John Yates

**Street Lighting:** A question was asked regarding the repair of non-operating street lights in East Piney Island. Art explained that installation and maintenance of the street lights is a cooperative effort between the Town and ANEC.

**Action:** EPICA will contact the Town about the street light on Oak Drive that is not working.

**EPICA Officers:** The membership was asked to approve the following slate of officers. [Art Gould, Dave White, Greg Balasus, Diane King, Scott Norris, Julie Turner, Joe Meckley] Paula Dubberly made a motion to approve the slate of officers. Rick Anthes – second. The slate of officers was approved unanimously.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM with supper to follow.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave White, Secretary