

Minutes of the April 22, 2019 OVIS Annual Meeting

Those in attendance were: Brian Smith, Jim Wiesner, Bob Fortner, Terry Fortner, Linda Duschl, Dennis Green, Donna Green, Shawn Lincoln, Emily Lincoln, Elaine and Bill Schilp, Cameron and Rachel McCaskill, Cynthia Bedient, Steve Marcinek, Dave Ennis, Holly Jean Smith, Beau Plessner, several children with their parents not signed in, Barb Walker and Stephanie Anderson and County Commissioner Dave Eggers.

Brian convened the meeting at 7:05 at the Hall.

Brian indicated that the minutes of the March meeting had been distributed to the community. The minutes were approved.

Jim provided the Treasurer's Report. He indicated there were 189 paid OVIS members and there were now 21 sponsors. After reviewing the monthly expenses and revenues, he indicated the current balance is \$16,929.60.

Donna provided a report that the Hall was rented for the next month with every weekend. With respect to community activities, Brian indicated that the County Commission will be taking up to the Pennsylvania rezoning tomorrow night. The matter will be taken up in the Public Hearing section of the meeting, which begins at 6 PM in the Clearwater Courthouse. Brian indicated that OVIS is on record in opposition with this rezoning and has sent a letter to the County Commission indicating that. He said he plans to be at the meeting presenting that position.

The next agenda item was the election of officers and board members. Brian recognized Bob Fortner, who serves as Chairman of the nominating committee. He made a report recommending Brian Smith President, Dennis Green Vice President, Donna Green Secretary, Jim Wiesner Treasurer, and Board Members Dave Ennis, Sue White, Connie Rieben, Julie Longen, and Todd Guarino. Bob called for any other nominations from the floor. There were none. Bob then called for a motion to approve the slate as recommended. That motion was made and approved. County Commissioner Dave Eggers then swore in the Officers and Board Members.

Next, Brian recognized Commissioner Eggers for a report on County affairs. The Commissioner first explained why he could not be in dialogue with the community about the upcoming rezoning. He explained state law prohibits such a dialogue when the matter is to come before the full County Commission for a decision. Following that statement the Commissioner proceeded with his report. He made an informative presentation concerning the schedule for the Penny for Pinellas program. He also reviewed several local matters.

Brian then recognized Barb Walker of the Clearwater Audubon Society, who proceeded to make a presentation. She introduced Stephanie, who was to assist her with the presentation. First Barb explained the Audubon program. They then presented three birds they had brought with them. These were a barn owl, a peregrine falcon, and a short tailed hawk. They took each bird

out of their cage and walked around the room with the bird perched on their gloved hand. It was an excellent interactive program. Following the presentation, a motion was made and seconded that OVIS donate \$100 to the Audubon program.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.