

**RBA General Meeting Minutes April 28, 2025
7:00 pm @ South Park**

Scott Obrec, President
Saifee Orah, Vice President
Melissa Bullion, Treasurer
Greg Strzempek, Secretary

Levi Fishman
Carlo Ginotti
Yvonne Johnson
Tony Sorge
Josh VanDruska

1. Scott called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm. As the first meeting of the year, he welcomed everyone in attendance and introduced each board member. Scott and those in attendance welcomed 3 new neighbors, **Aiden, Tina, Judy** and **Mitch** who have moved into our community. Next, a motion was raised and seconded for the approval of the Minutes from the September 16, 2024 Annual Meeting.
2. Treasurer's Report – Melissa
Melissa shared that we (RBA) currently have a balance of \$12,067.27 in checking and \$10,649.29 in our Reserve account. She also informed us that there are currently 11 delinquent homeowners with an outstanding amount of \$3,810.
3. President's Report – Scott
Scott brought to the members' attention that the South Park water raft beached on the shore was in disrepair and would need 3-4 volunteers to help repair or explore upgrade options available in the area. He also mentioned the playscape needed some maintenance and repair, and he has the materials already. The board will review both of these topics at the next Board meeting, May 6th.

Committee Reports

Bylaws – Scott

Scott mentioned that the committee activity has been put on hold due to personal matters that have demanded his attention. The changes required are straightforward and will be addressed beginning next year.

Resident & Insurance Agent – Levi

Good news! By swapping insurance companies and Levi's negotiation skills, our coverage was renewed for the year. We are also getting an extra million in coverage as well as a price reduction, saving hundreds of dollars. Thanks Levi!

Communications/Welcome - Yvonne

Yvonne described the "Welcome" folder that she put together and delivered by her to each resident introducing herself, the RBA and HOA contacts and activities to help keep residents informed of the current happenings within our neighborhood and RBA. Yvonne mentioned she is also exploring the use of Zoom for access to our General membership meetings to increase resident involvement. Lastly, Yvonne mentioned that Zebra mussels have been discovered in Long Lake. Scott interjected that the Oakland County Drain Commission is responsible and they should be contacted first.

Traffic Light Safety – Saifee

Saifee contacted the city regarding implementing a Lefthand Green Turn Arrow at the intersection of Union and Cooley Lake road in front of Dairy Queen. The contact at the city informed Saifee that the intersection is currently being investigated more information will be forthcoming.

Social & Fundraising – Josh

Josh stated that he is currently a team of 1 :) and is looking for volunteers to expand the team. Currently, 3 events are in the planning stages.

- **Paddle & Potluck:** 7-26 at 12pm
 - This would consist of kayaking/Paddle boarding on one of the lakes with a potluck following at South Park. More details to come.
- **Cookoff Contest:** 9-13th or 14th
 - Ribs ...More details to follow.
- **Trunk or Treat:** 10-18 6-8pm
 - Mary will provide more information over the next few months.

Scott mentioned that we were approached by Long Lake HOA to participate in Band Night on August 2nd. It is normally held on their island, but they would like to switch to South Park. Meeting members seemed excited, but the challenge is electricity, so we will need to find a solution since there is none at the park.

Parks – Tony

Tony thanked the members, Sue and Karen, for their work in raking and spreading mulch in the parks, as well as Pete and Dale for their help cutting grass. On that note, more volunteers are still needed to help shoulder the load. This helps keep our HOA fees down as keeping up the parks is our largest operational expense. We are currently soliciting bids for the grass cutting of the ball field and giving our volunteers (thanks Tony!) a well-deserved break. Please direct any interested parties for park grass-cutting quotes to Tony. Work is still being done to clear rocks/stumps at the Cooley lake access via Oak St. for use to launch kayaks, etc. Lastly, it was suggested to Tony to pick a date for volunteers to meet to help with the various types of work (painting, refurbishing, clean-up, etc) that need to be done at the parks. A member suggested using Facebook to communicate with members on the what and where particulars.

Open Discussion

As there was no following open discussion, a motion was made and seconded for adjournment at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Greg Strzempek, Secretary, RBA