



Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors October 8, 2018

Call to Order

Proper notice having been given to the Board members, the meeting, held at 48 Cape Creek Road and by conference call, was called to order at 5:03 PM. In attendance were Jeff Alpert, Lynn Barnard, Lou Anne Brown, Rex Cowdry, Fred Craig, Brian Johnson, and Alan Reyner.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the September 2 and September 21 meetings of the Board were APPROVED without changes. The minutes of the Annual Meeting held September 1 were approved and will be presented to the membership for final approval.

Approval of Payment to Ryan Thompson

A motion was made and **APPROVED** to ratify email actions naming Ryan Thompson instead of Randy Lomax in the previously approved authorization of payment for hourly labor assisting in clearing Middle Island roads following Hurricane Florence. Ryan will be paid at his customary rate and is covered by our worker's compensation insurance while working for the Association.

Report on Condition of Association Assets following Hurricane Florence

All assets were reported to have weathered the hurricane well. No repairs are necessary and no issues were observed.

Discussion of Debris Removal

The Board held an extended discussion of options for debris removal following the storm. Certain tree limbs in the right-of-way need attention to assure safety as a first priority.

Several examples of private communities whose storm debris is picked up by the county or municipality were discussed, including Southport, Brunswick County, New Hanover county, and elsewhere on the Atlantic coast. What needs to be clarified is whether they have all taken preliminary actions to qualify for the Private Property Debris Removal program outlined in FEMA policy guidance documents, and whether without that enabling action by the Village, Middle Island and the Village can nonetheless make the specific public health and safety case following Hurricane Florence, based on the sheer volume of debris, that collecting it all at the entrance to the community poses a safety risk justifying pickup at safe alternative sites on Middle Island. There was general agreement

that we would oppose any requirement that Middle Island transfer debris to the more distant Swann's Quarter site at its own expense.

Island Contracting has agreed to help with removal and transport of storm debris from Middle Island, but it was unclear from that discussion and from communication with the Village whether the effort would be billed to the Village as part of Island Contracting's storm debris work, or billed to the Association without reimbursement.

The Board **APPROVED** members of a group to meet with the Village to discuss how storm debris would be handled (Cowdry, Brown, Tarplin).

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:32 PM.