



Meeting Minutes
Amston Lake Association – October 11, 2022, Monthly Meeting
In Person at the Clubhouse – 6:30pm

Attendees: John Matra, Patty Matra, Nicole Graczewski, Amy Larew, Nick Salerno, and J.D. Wilcox

- Call to order: 6:36pm by John Matra, 2nd by J.D. Wilcox

- Approval of Minutes from September 13th meeting : couldn't approve due to not enough people (don't have quorum) so we will do so at next meeting

- President's Report:

- Events Recap
 - Speaker Series: 12 people on Pollinators. Very interesting.
 - Oktoberfest: thanks to Sadler's and Social Committee. Food was amazing, beer tasting was a success
 - Clean-up: of closet. Thank you to Patty Matra, Sue Matyszyk, and Charlie DeLisle who assisted with total cleanout of closet.
 - \$102 donation received from Maureen/Yoga. Twins BBQ check received, pumped up to \$100

- Upcoming Events
 - "Thanksgiving" Potluck, bring a Thanksgiving dish: Nov. 19th, with Wine Tasting option
 - Trunk-or-Treat: Oct. 30th, 3-5pm. Already have 2 people volunteers to hand out candy. Link on website. Association will provide donuts and apple cider.
 - Merchandise Sale: want to ensure we have Christmas orders available, so perhaps be ready for November. May some residents can donate some crafts?
 - Holiday Party: perhaps Game Night or Afternoon on a Sunday, perhaps Dec. 4th? Very casual with Potluck. Perhaps a Yankee Swap? Small but fun.

- Treasurer's Report: \$10,360 in Checking, \$6,737 in Saving for Total of \$17,098. Does not include \$450 to deposit and doesn't include \$3,228 for Liability, Property, and Director & Officer's Protection Insurance premium. Another bill is Sewer for \$550 (not yet paid). We were able to up but coverage on the building by \$50K, so we are now at \$200K for replacement. Strategy is go up in \$50K increments with goal to reach \$500K for rebuild insurance (in time).

- Committee Reports
 - House: Clubhouse rentals: one rental booked for end of October, two for November.
 - Merchandise Update: Charlene and Steve no longer doing Merchandise. Ordered (72) more mugs. We were going to order Red, but they were \$2 more, so we went with blue and they look great! Sold (12) at OktoberFest.

- Public Relations/Communications: sandwich board signs are down, thank you to Donna Payne for all her hard work on following the calendar and managing this. Also, thanks to Lisa Salerno for marketing the events!
- Social: covered above

- New Business: results of Energy Audit: report findings not received from Eversource yet, but John Matra found out the heat tape on the plumbing pipes under sinks was not turned off (it's hard-wired – didn't know previously) but that probably isn't draining too much. Thought is main driver of cost is simply older equipment (such as old lines/feeds to building and electrical meter) and should be upgraded. Also noted that building is not grounded.

- Old Business
 - Closing the Clubhouse: how is insurance impacted? Per Tom Lobo, our insurance agent, if someone checks building at least once per week, it won't be considered abandoned. Water will be off, but electricity and internet will remain active. Board (Nick and J.D.) approved a 3-camera Blink system on sale thru Amazon today for \$139 (Early Deal Access, Oct. 11th and 12th). Amy Lawrew mentioned energy audits being offered for \$50 with incentives, but not sure if this is available to commercial (may only be residential). Amy also has a good local Electrician if we need one...

- Next meeting – November 8th 2022 – Last meeting of the year

- Adjourned: 6:59pm by Nick Salerno, 2nd by Patty Matra

Respectfully submitted,

J.D. Wilcox