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**ASSOCIATION
NEWSLETTER**
November, 2018

Dear Blacksmith Lake Lot Owners,

Our regular fall meeting was held at Timberland Library on October 25, 2018. The main order of business for this meeting was the voting on two issues. Issue one, was whether or not to pave the roads. This issue was defeated. The second issue was whether to raise the dues. This issue was also defeated.

A total of 73 lots voted. 57.53% voted to pave, and 42.47% voted against paving. A super majority of 75% must vote in favor of paving in order for the measure to pass. While a greater number of folks voted to increase dues, only 65.75% were in favor.

After months of surveys, special meetings and much, much, discussion, the votes were quite close. Thank you to all who gave careful consideration to each of these issues.

In other business, Jeff Overturf and Steve Zemzick took on the duties of second vice-president and secretary of the board, respectively. Kevin Boyle tendered his resignation as board president. Claudia Charlton, first vice-president, will serve as president, and the office of first vice-president is now vacant. If you have not served our community on this board, you are encouraged to consider volunteering for this position. Thank you, Kevin, for your many years of dedicated service to our board.

During the meeting, a situation developed in which a community member caused a disruption. He was loud, rude and profane. He was clearly out of order. There is absolutely no place for this type of behavior anywhere, let alone a public forum. Per our bylaws, our meetings are to be run according to Robert's Rule of Order. Nowhere in this document is there permission for rude behavior, interruptions or name calling. Going forward, anyone who causes this type of disruption will be asked to leave the meeting. If the individual(s) is unwilling to leave, law enforcement will be called.

We are now faced with our continuing issue of pot holes. Over the last ten to fifteen years, the same faces have been seen out on the road, filling pot holes. Our gratitude goes out to these folks, and their time to take a break has come. We've had a couple of pot hole parties during this last year, and we've seen some new faces out on the road. Thank you! However, there are many more folks out here who haven't lifted a shovel. All help is appreciated. With our rainy season upon us and the return of the pesky pot holes, we have ordered gravel which will be delivered this week. ***A pot hole filling party will take place this coming weekend, weather permitting.*** If you wish to help, please meet at the mailboxes at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, the 10th. It shouldn't take us too long. We don't have

much money left in the coffers and will need to be frugal, so we'll just be filling the worst pot holes. We need to save some money in the event that we'll need snow removal. A group email will go out announcing the pot hole party, and signs will be posted at the mailboxes.

At the meeting, several folks approached me and asked for copies of the bylaws. Please email Jody Tief at blacksmithlakeroadassoc@gmail.com. She will forward copies to you via email attachment. Please let her know if you would also like a copy of the covenants.

Sincerely,

Your Blacksmith Lake Association Board

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