



## REGULAR SESSION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, September 11, 2025

Minutes

**DATE AND LOCATION:** MULTIPURPOSE ROOM A

**CALLED TO ORDER AT:** 7:00 PM

**AUDIENCE MEMBERS:** Not Recorded

### BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

1. Keith McLean-Excused	4. Laurie Robinson	7. AJ Tischleder-Absent	10. Robb Gibbs
2. Taimi Van de Polder	5. Tom Henning	8. Rick Asai-Excused	11. Daniel Rodriguez-via Zoom
3. Linda Bradley	6. Ray Meador	9. Stu Mitchell-via Zoom	

### ATTENDING:

**Staff Members:** Michael Bennett General Manager, Spencer Huston, IT

#### Call to Order

In the excused absence of the Board President the Vice President, Taimi Van de Polder, chaired the meeting.

Vice President Van de Polder called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

### 1. Vice President called for motion to adopt the agenda. Motion to amend.

**Motion:** Make a motion to adopt the agenda and amend it at the same time.

Amend the agenda to remove the executive session items 8 and 9.

<b>Motion By:</b> Director Bradley		<b>Seconded By:</b> Director: Van de Polder	
<b>Approved:</b> X	<b>Not Approved:</b>	<b>Tabled:</b>	<b>Died:</b>
<b>In Favor:</b> Unanimous	<b>Against:</b>	<b>Abstained</b>	

### 2. Announcements.

- Wednesday, September 17th, from 10 to 12, we have our AM/PM cleanup day, so we are looking for volunteers to come and help clean up the AM/PM beach.
- On Wednesday, 24th of September, from 6.30 to 8, there will be the first Candidate Forum.
- You can still register for online voting. Information should be in your e-blast and will be on the website as well.
- Hoping to see some more people sign up for parking passes.
- On Saturday, October 25th, at 9am at the Sudden Valley Welcome Center, we have our Welcome Center Garden Party for the native plant garden.
- On Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at 2:00PM Trunk or Treat Halloween event.
- November 1<sup>st</sup> AGM at 1:00PM
- November 22<sup>nd</sup> We will be having our Holiday Market, from 10:00AM till 3:00PM.
- Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup> we will have the Tree Lighting Event at 5:00PM,

- AGM Reminder for members to attend in person if they can as a quorum of 50 members is required to have the meeting.
- County Council Members Community Meeting Wednesday October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2:00PM in the Dance Barn.

**3. Property owner comments.**

- A member questioned if there would still be opportunity for member input for Barn 6.
- Submitted a flyer from City of Bellingham Parks Survey for Board to look at and research for a method of getting SVCA member input on such topics.
- A member had questions about whether any decision has been made regarding the dog park and fencing. Consider suggestions from dog park users before voting on a final decision. Hopefully, a compromise can be reached when it is finally decided.
- A recap of earlier dog park discussions 2020 of fenced area.

**4. Consent Agenda-Approval of Minutes**

**Motion:** Approve the August 28th Board meeting minutes as presented.

<b>Motion By:</b> Director Van de Polder		<b>Seconded By:</b> Director Bradley	
<b>Approved:</b> X	<b>Not Approved:</b>	<b>Tabled:</b>	<b>Died:</b>
<b>In Favor:</b> Unanimous	<b>Against:</b>	<b>Abstained</b>	

**5. Reports**

**5a. GM August Report (Distributed Pages 6-8)**

**5c. Committee/Task force Updates**

i) **Architectural Control**-Nothing to report.

ii) **Document Review**- Upcoming meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> next week. We have Board approved policies, and they have been uploaded to the website.

iii) **Finance Committee**-None. Upcoming meeting is on the 17<sup>th</sup> next week.

iv) **Long-Range Planning**-Working on putting a survey together and what would be included in that survey. We have made two proposals for Barn 6, so we are going to be asking for proposals for Barn 8. Find out if the community is interested.

v) **N&E Committee**- We reviewed the questions that we will be asking the candidates. There will be five questions. We are going to submit those to the candidates so that they can have a chance to think about them, and, be prepared. There will be 3 minutes for each candidate to have an opening statement, and then, five questions, 3 minutes for each question, and then there will be at the end, an opportunity for a closing statement. Asking for members to consider online voting and registering to do so. Reviewed mailing and voting details.

vi) **Safety Committee**- None

vii) **STR Taskforce**-Met with the GM and conveyed comments and concerns of taskforce members regarding the proposed Bylaw amendment. Will discuss more when we review the Bylaw measure.

**6. Continuing Business**

**a.) Approval Request-Final AGM Agenda, Measures, Ballot, and Explanations**

**Motion:** Approve AGM voting, ballot materials, and documents.

<b>Motion By:</b> Director Gibbs		<b>Seconded By:</b> Director Bradley	
<b>Approved:</b> X	<b>Not Approved:</b>	<b>Tabled:</b>	<b>Died:</b>
<b>In Favor:</b> Unanimous	<b>Against:</b>	<b>Abstained:</b>	

## 7. New Business

### 7a. Approval Request-Lake Louise Water Lily Abatement Approval

**Motion:** Move that the Board of Directors authorizes the General Manager to contract with AquaTechnix, LLC for aquatic herbicide treatments of Lake Louise under SVCA's Aquatic Pest Control Permit, WAG994472, including one treatment in October of 2025, and one follow-up treatment in Spring 2026, with a combined not-to-exceed budget of \$8,400, funded from 6110 Landscape R&M.

<b>Motion By:</b> Director Van de Polder		<b>Seconded By:</b> Director Bradley	
<b>Approved:</b> X	<b>Not Approved:</b>	<b>Tabled:</b>	<b>Died:</b>
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### 7b. GM Search Committee Formation

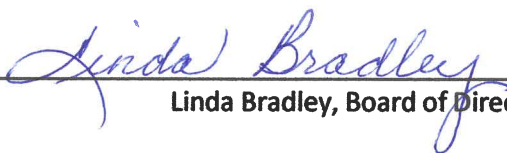
**Motion:** Approve the resolution to establish the General Manager Search Committee.

<b>Motion By:</b> Director Bradley		<b>Seconded By:</b> Director Gibbs	
<b>Approved:</b> X	<b>Not Approved:</b>	<b>Tabled:</b>	<b>Died:</b>
<b>In Favor:</b> Unanimous	<b>Against:</b>	<b>Abstained:</b>	

**Note:** Two Board Executives for committee: Director Van De Polder and Director McLean. Additional Board member: Director Robinson approved by Board consensus.

**Adjournment:** 8:08PM

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_



Linda Bradley, Board of Directors Secretary

