

# **LPT Board of Directors**

## **Meeting Minutes**

September 9, 2014

7:00 PM

- I. The meeting, which was held in the lobby, was called to order at 7:00 pm. Present at the meeting were Paul Hulswit, Ed Socia, Larry Chapp, Larry Lauer and Rick Doyle. Also present were building manager Michael Schall and President Emeritus Chuck Fisher. A large number of residents attended this meeting because the agenda included a proposal to amend the bylaws and discussion on the renewal of the lobby
- II. The board approved the minutes of the August 8, 2014 meeting which had been previously distributed to them and which had been posted for the residents.
- III. President's Report. The president commented on the importance of the issues which would be discussed at the meeting since they would affect everyone in the association. The president also announced the new web site [www.lakepointetower.com](http://www.lakepointetower.com). The web site includes financial statements, board minutes, newsletters, events calendar, core documents, pictures and other information concerning Lakepointe Tower. The web site should reduce printing costs and allow our snowbirding residents to keep current with association events.
- IV. The Treasurer's report began stating that there was an increase in the reserve fund. Additional details on our financial situation are available on the financial statements prepared by the bookkeeper. These statements had been previously distributed to all board members and posted in the library and the new web site. There was no discussion.
- V. The Secretary reported the receipt of one letter. It was a request from a resident to modify the structure to accommodate a "kitty door" leading to their balcony. The board voted to reject this request.
- VI. Committee Reports
  - a) Safety and Security – The Safety committee met on August 19, 2014. They have completed drafting an update to the 2012 rules. The draft has been distributed to the board members for comments and recommendations. When those comments have been returned to the committee a final draft will be prepared for the board approval.
  - b) Social and Recreation – The social committee met on September 2, 2014. Several upcoming events were discussed including September events which

are the Golf scramble and the Oktoberfest. October events include a visit to Pewabic Pottery (together with lunch at Sinbad's) on October 15 and a gathering in the social room for the U of M / MSU football game on October 25. Tree lighting and Christmas party were also discussed.

VII. Old Business –

- a) Lobby renewal. The tile favored by a large segment of the residents was displayed to the assembled co-owners. The board voted to approve this tile for the lobby and the expenditure of \$6600 to purchase the tile out of this year's budget. Installation would not begin until 2015.
- b) No smoking proposal. The building manager read correspondence from realtor Lynn Baker (who listed and sold many of the units in our building). In summary Ms. Baker's letter stated that an increasing number of buyers were asking for units in no smoking buildings. Residents favoring and opposed to the proposal were heard from. The president explained that the proposal, which would amend the bylaws, would require an affirmative vote by a 2/3 majority of the co-owners (72 votes) and that failure to return the ballot would have the same effect as a vote against the proposal. Ballots were made available to co-owners at the meeting if they wanted to complete them at that time. The remainder of the ballots would be distributed to co-owners who did not complete them at the meeting.

VIII. Motion to Adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.