

# Sherwood Forest Road Maintenance District

## Special Meeting

Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013

Committee Members Present: Marty Feit; Clerk Treasurer, David Bonney, Gilles Beaudoin, Arlene Adler , Mike McEnerney

Committee members absent: Al Bavernik

Resident Registered Voters Present: Arlene Adler, David Bonney, Eva Bonney, Margaret Clemons, Patricia Clemons, Sean Clemons, Jeffrey Cloran, Leonard Daigneault, Jennifer Discawicz, Martin Feit, Paulette Feit, Robert Grace, Julia Kay Grace, Eugene Norton, Melva Norton.

The meeting is opened at:10:30 .

Mr. Bonney advises that he will be acting moderator until they reach article 2. No objections from the floor.

**Article 2-**Mr. Bonney moves that the District vote to amend Chapter II Section 5 of the District By-laws by deleting the second sentence, which reads as follows:

The moderator should but not need be, a resident voter of the District, but shall be, in any event, a property owner within the District as evidenced by the records maintained by the Board of Assessors for the Town of Becket as the valuation date next preceding said District meeting, and substitute the following:

It is preferable that the moderator be a resident voter or property owner of the District, but nothing shall prevent the District from electing a non-resident, non-property owner as moderator. A motion to move article 2 is made and seconded, Mr. Bonney calls asks if there is any discussion, hearing none he calls for a vote. All present vote in favor, motion passes unanimously.

**Article 3-**Mr. Bonney asks for a nomination from the floor for a moderator. Marty Feit makes a motion to nominate Bruce Garlow to be moderator, nomination is seconded. Mr. Bonney asks if there are any other nominations, hearing none, he moves nomination and calls for a vote. All present vote in favor, nomination approved unanimously.

Mr. Bruce Garlow accepts nomination. Mr. Garlow asks Marty Feit to read aloud Article 4, Mr Feit reads article 4 aloud:

**Article 4-** To see if the District will vote to amend Chapter II Section 3 of the District Bylaws by deleting the existing language, which reads as follows: Twenty resident voters at an annual meeting and fifteen registered voters at a special District meeting shall constitute a quorum; provided, however, that a number less than a quorum may from time to time adjourn a District meeting, and substitute the following:

Fifteen resident voters at any District meeting shall constitute a quorum; provided, however, that a number less than a quorum may from time to time adjourn a District meeting.

Article 5 is moved and seconded. Mr. Garlow take questions from the floor. There is a motion on the floor to amend the Article to add the word registered after resident, the motion to amend the motion is seconded. Mr. Garlow moves the motion to a vote. The amended article vote is voted on, Unanimous Approval.

**Article 5-**To see if the District will vote to appropriate and transfer from available money market funds to the General Roads account the sum not to exceed \$25,000, as determined and approved by the Prudential Committee. Mr. Feit moves the motion, the motion is seconded by Mr. Bonney. Mr. Feit takes a moment to explain why this

article is on the warrant , further advising that they will be receiving approximately \$13,500.00 from FEMA and MEMA .

This money will go to into the general roads account. Mr. Garlow moves the article to a vote, article is approved Unanimously.

**Article 6-** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for the Fiscal 2014 operating budget.

Mr. Garlow explains that he will not read each line item, but will give the voters a few minutes to examine the list and call out “hold”for any items they wish to further discuss, Once a list of held items is compiled, we will go back and vote as a group on all items held. Then each item will be considered individually.

Mr. Feit moves the motion, Mr. Bonney seconds, motion is moved.

The line items to be held and further discussed are Town of Becket, and Winter Roads. Mr. Garlow calls for a vote on all other line items, all other line items are voted on and unanimously approved.

Winter roads are briefly discussed, there is a question on the floor regarding a \$13,000 increase, Marty explains that those numbers on the spreadsheet go through the month of May, leaving two months to go. Marty also advises that they cannot count on the weather and it is better to makes sure that there is enough or slightly more available money so that they are prepared. Mr. Garlow moves this line item to a vote, winter roads are passed unanimously. Next line item to be discussed is Town of Becket. There is a question on the floor asking why the District needs to pay the Town. Mr. Garlow explains that this account is to pay tax collector services. Mr. Garlow calls for a vote on Town of Becket Line item, line item passes unanimously.

Mr. Garlows asks for a motion to adjourn the Special meeting, motion is made and seconded.

## **ANNUAL MEETING**

**Article 1-** Moderator will entertain nomination positions.

**TWO REGULAR RESIDENT POSITIONS-** There is a nomination on the floor for Maggie Clemons and also for Arlene Adler. Mr. Garlow asks for any additional nominations, hearing none, he closes the nominations and calls for a vote. Mr. Garlow advises that due to the fact that there are 2 nominations and two open positions, they will proceed with a voice vote rather than a secret ballot. Mr. Garlow calls for a vote to elect both Maggie Clemons as well as Arlene Adler, both candidates are voted in unanimously.

**ONE NON-RESIDENT POSITION-** There is a nomination on the floor to nominate Mr. Gilles Beaudoin. Hearing no additional nominations, Mr. Garlow entertains a motion to close nominations, motion is moved and seconded. Mr. Garlow calls for a vote on the nomination, Mr. Gilles Beaudoin is voted in unanimously.

**ONE ALTERNATE RESIDENT-** There is a nomination on the floor for Eva Bonney. Hearing no other nominations, Mr. Garlow entertains a motion to close nominations, motion is moved and seconded. Mr. Garlow calls for a vote on the nomination of Eva Bonney, vote carries unanimously.

**ONE ALTERNATE NON-RESIDENT-** There are no nominations on the floor.

Mr. Garlow asks for a motion to adjourn, a motion is made to adjourn the meeting, motion is seconded. Meeting is adjourned.

Marty takes a moment to swear in two new members.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marty Feit  
Clerk-Treasurer