

HIDDEN TRAILS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
Board of Directors
Minutes of Meeting

April 24, 2018

President Mary Markov-Lytch called the meeting to order at 5:34 pm. Directors in attendance were President Mary Markov-Lytch and Secretary/Treasurer Stacy McGuire. Also in attendance was Jennifer Figgers California Community Management. *Let the record reflect the meeting was held at 2245 East Valley Parkway, Escondido CA 92027.*

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Due to the recent resignation of Director Jerry Sleder the board unanimously approved to appoint Lindsay Berthiaume to the board of directors.
2. There was a brief organizational meeting to elect officers of the board of Directors. Nominations were opened amongst the directors and the following were nominated to the position indicated:

Mary Markov-Lytch	President
Lindsay Berthiaume	Vice President
Stacy McGuire	Secretary/Treasurer

3. The Board unanimously approved the 2018-2019 draft budget for a new monthly assessment of \$131.00 (\$16.00 increase). The increase is primarily due to the rising cost of water. The water operating budget was increased from \$127,720.00 annually to \$170,000.00 (\$42,280.00 increase). At the close of March 31, 2018 the association had spent \$141,247.00 in water.
 - Chris Ward from Park West Landscape was in attendance to discuss the rising water costs. Director Mary Markov-Lytch and Chris Ward conducted a landscape drive through and informed the residents that the next plan of action was to cut the water by 5% in the areas with well-established slopes. In addition the board has agreed to continue with drought tolerant planting along with drip and/or MP rotators whenever possible to help save on water costs.

HOMEOWNER DISCUSSION: After reviewing the March 2018 financials some residents felt that the board budgeted too conservative and felt that the increase should have been higher. Other residents felt that an increase was not necessary as the board is working to decrease the water usage. There was discussion regarding replacement of the DG path and if a special assessment would be necessary as the dues were increased. Management and the board made it clear to the residents at this time we do not know as we are awaiting additional bids.

NEXT MEETING: The Board of Directors meeting will be held: **May 21, 2018 at 5:30 pm**

There being no further business to come to the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm