**DRAFT MINUTES**

Attendees – Kristin Purtill (Chairwoman), David Hall (Secretary), Sheelagh Cooke, Dave Peterson, Bob Antrim and Linda Stelle. Trout Valley Maintenance representative and Cheryl Lynch were absent.

The meeting was called to order at 4.08 pm at the Trout Valley Lodge patio

Minutes of the May 12, 2021 meeting were reviewed and approved unanimously. KS made the motion and LS seconded the motion to accept the minutes.

**Village of Trout Valley Arborist’s Recommendations.**

KP reported on a meeting she had held with the Village of Trout Valley Arborist regarding trees in need of pruning for safety purposes and dead or dying trees that pose a danger to residents. Discussion was held and the following 2021/22 budget requests were proposed:

Tree pruning - $10,000
Removal of dead and diseased trees - $5,000
Use of Trout Valley personnel or outside contractors to help with various tasks - $10,000

Motion regarding these funding requests was made by DH and seconded by LS. The funding requests were unanimously approved.

**The Fen**

A draft of a proposal for the creation of a Village of Trout Valley Parks Board was presented by DH and discussion was held. The Forestry Board agreed with the creation of this new Board and all the Forestry Board members present agreed to also serve on the Parks Board.

**The Pollinator Gardens**

DH shared with the Board the work in maintaining the pollinator gardens this summer. Previously details of this work had been shared in emails with the Forestry Board members.

**Trees by the Ponds**

Discussion was held on the need of tree pruning and removal of buckthorn and honeysuckle plants around the Tom Sawyer Pond to improve access for fishing. This work is being handled by TVA maintenance.

**Purple Martin House**

DP reported that the purple martin house next to the marina is populated with birds. The house next to the tennis courts has no birds using this house. It was thought tennis court house maybe located in the wrong place. DP proposed and KP seconded a motion to move the house to a location nearer the river to be selected by DP for a cost not to exceed $100. Unanimously approved.

**Trees by the Gazebo**

The dying willow by the gazebo poses a threat to the gazebo and should be removed. Also three basswood trees next to the steps to the Fen along Turkey Run pose a danger as they could fall on walkers in the Fen. Agreed to request TVA to obtain a quote for removal of these trees. The work will be paid from the Fen budget as these trees are on land leased to the Village by TVA.

**Fish**

No report.

**Adjournment**

BA proposed adjourning the meeting at 5.36 pm and was seconded by DH. Unanimously approved

Next meeting

TBA