

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

April 4, 2023

**Call to Order** - Andrew opened the meeting at 6:00 pm.

**Present:** Andrew Pelkey (P), Heather Linehan (VP), Maria Rainey (S/T), John Crooks, Cori Cahow, Don Piccirillo.

**Absent:** Dave DeJohn (PP)

**Professionals:** Pam Moreau (BM), Mike Barwell (Ed), Annette Zamarchi, Jim Moreau.

## Review and Approval of Minutes – March 7, 2023

*Motion to Approve – John*

*Seconded by - Cori*

*Unanimously Approved*

## Review and Approval of Treasurer's Report – March 2023

- Checking Account Balance – \$29,560.58
- Savings Account Balance – \$3,102,11

*Motion to Approve – Cori*

*Seconded by – John*

*Unanimously Approved*

## NEW Member Applications

- There are five new members this month (1 pending payment):
  - Bob Taylor – Green Magic Landscaping & Excavation, LLC
  - Mike Pollini – Relax & Company
  - Walter Begley – Begley Doncourt Design
  - Matt McManus – Central Turf & Irrigation
  - Brian Cressy – Maple Row Management, LLC (Pending payment)

## Education Coordinator Report – Mike Barwell

- Safety Day was great. 87 signed up, and 63 showed up.
- Pesticide credit event – early December – Ed. Committee to discuss further.
- Hardscape Workshop – Bill Gardocki – Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at MiltonCAT. Northeast Turf & Irrigation will donate the notebooks and pens.
- Stone Trust would like to look at expanding their relationship with the NHLA, and begin to work on cooperative endeavors, such as seminars, hands-on stone wall building classes, etc. Mike to follow up.
- Field Day
  - Date is set for September 20<sup>th</sup> – No rain date as of yet.
  - Ideas for seminars include:
    - Chainsaw safety
    - Tick Safety classes for outdoor workers.
    - Plants in the landscape – Millican.

- Proper planting techniques – Pierson.
- Drone talk – Graham Pellettieri.
- Pruning workshop.
- Equipment Row with all of our equipment vendors.
- Twilight Meetings:
  - Bedrock Gardens has confirmed. Looking for a sponsor to take care of Bedrock Gardens' request for a donation.
  - Van Berkum has confirmed. It will be a tour after-hours.
- April 25<sup>th</sup> – Ed. Committee will meet on-site at Belknap Fairground at 5pm.

#### **Certification Coordinator Report – Abby Zuidema**

- Ten people took the written exam on March 11th, and nine passed.
- There are two new NHCLPs – Chadd Hippensteel from Juniper Hill Landscaping, and Susannah Levy from Piscataqua Landscape
- Plant ID classes will be held June 13th through September 12<sup>th</sup>.
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#### **Business Manager Report – Pam Moreau**

- New Board of Directors – verify contact information.
- Safety Day – updates, including financials.

#### **Newsletter and Website Editor Report – Carolyn Isaak**

- Newsletter deadline – Due the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month. (April 10<sup>th</sup> for May issue)

#### **Other Business**

- Website – the board needs to decide whether or not to go forward with a contract to rebuild the website over the course of twelve months at \$1,200 a month. Andrew to do some additional research, and report back at the next board meeting for a vote.

Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm.

**Submitted by: Maria Rainey - *Secretary/Treasurer***  
**Pam Moreau - *Business Manager***

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**NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, May 2nd at 6:00 pm**  
**North Point Outdoors, 22 Ashleigh Drive, Building A, Derry, NH 03038**  
**and Zoom**