

## **ELECTION COMMITTEE MINUTES**

for

June 27, 2013

Community Center Conference Room

The Election Committee met at 10 am to interview Elizabeth Ebner for membership to the Committee.

The regular meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 10:30 am. Present were Chairman Kathie Graham and members Jean Crawford and Nancy Dayton. Jan Pietrzak attended as the ECIA liaison. Others present were Elizabeth Ebner, Greg Colello, and Joe Loewy.

Jan Pietrzak reported that the charge from the Board included one or more options to get the terms of the Board Members back on a staggered three-year track. He reminded the attendees that the Committee only makes recommendations to the ECIA Board.

### **Old Business**

A discussion was held about the Nomination Petition and a few minor changes were made. Nancy moved that the Petition with changes be approved. This was seconded by Jean and the motion passed.

Petitions are due in the ECIA Office by 5:00 PM on March 1 or the first following business day.

There was discussion about the time that election signs can be in use. This will depend on the definition of Election.

Addresses of lot owners are public record and may be given out provided there is no commercial use.

Election Policies and Procedures were discussed along with the definition of Date of Record.

Jean moved that the Policies and Procedures be accepted with changes and we send the Election Policies and Procedures to the ECIA Board for their approval. Nancy seconded the motion and it passed.

### **New Business**

The Committee considered ways to fix the terms of ECIA Board members so that an almost even number are up for election each year.

The following ideas are to be given to the ECIA Board for their consideration:

1. The candidates would have to choose the term (one-year, two-year, or three-year) for which they want to run. There would be three columns on the ballot with two positions for 2015 (one-year term), two positions for 2016 (two-year term), and three for 2017 (three year term). Future terms would all be for three years.

- 2a. Joe suggested that out of all the candidates, the seven receiving the highest number of votes would be elected but the three highest would serve three-year terms (until 2017), the next two would serve two-year terms (until 2016), and last two would serve one-year terms (until 2015).

2b. Greg suggested the same seven with the highest number of votes be elected but the person receiving the highest number of votes would choose if he/she wanted a one-year (2015), two-year (2016), or three-year (2017) term. In the order of the descending vote totals, each Director would then chose a term.

2c. The last would be a lottery. The seven with the highest number of votes would be elected and they would draw for two positions that expire in 2015, two that expire in 2016 and three that expire in 2017.

Jan said a public forum will be held regarding these options.

Greg asked that the Committee have the County run the election. After discussion he stated that he would withdraw that request. He was told to send suggestions to improve the election process to Jan and he would take them to the ECIA Board.

Nancy moved and Jean seconded the motion to adjourn at 1:35 PM.

After the regular meeting the Committee met with Joe Loewy about membership on the Committee.

The Committee voted to approve Elizabeth Ebner and Joe Loewy for membership on the Committee and will send their names to the ECIA Board for their approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Dayton