

Kilkich Residents Association
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Minutes
August 14, 2023

Call to Order

- Vice Chair Shelley Estes called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. via Zoom and in person at the CIHA office.

Roll Call

- Board members in attendance were Shelley Estes, Pam Lenox, Alison Felton, and Scott Felton. Board member Rocky Doyle joined the meeting via Zoom. Residents in attendance were Jan Doyle and Cindy Elbert. Resident Jessica Meza joined the meeting via Zoom. Tribal Emergency Management staff in attendance were Jessica Hamner and Lon Matheny. CIHA staff in attendance were Executive Director Anne Cook and Housing Programs Coordinator Tracey Mueller.

Approval of Minutes

- The minutes for July 10, 2023, were approved.

Amendments to Agenda

- The order of the day was waived to allow Tribal Emergency Management staff Jessica Hamner and Lon Matheny to give their emergency preparedness presentation.

Old Business

- Kilkich Emergency Plan – Jessica introduced herself and Lon and explained the basics of Emergency Preparedness. The goal should be to bounce back from an emergency and then move forward. To do that each resident should be 2 weeks prepared. All Kilkich residents need to stay informed, make a plan, and build an emergency preparedness kit. Jessica also showed the Board a small file box that is available to all residents which contains paperwork on which a person can list important information such as insurance info, medical info, lease agreement, phone numbers, etc.

Lon explained that the Tribe has emergency supplies for about 400 people: blankets, tents, sleeping bags, dehydrated food, and water. Lon is also planning four to five basic “self-rescue” classes for about 10 people per class to teach basic skills.

Shelley shared some ideas from her time as an Alaskan resident regarding community survival attitudes. KRA needs to help our community develop a desire to help each other in a time of disaster was the consensus.

KRA discussed the possibility of having another meeting with Emergency Management.

Jessica and Lon will be at the Heroes of Health and Public Safety and Bicycle Rodeo event on September 29, 2023, 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Treasurers Report

- KRA balance is now at \$1,914.00 after donated items were sold at Shelley's Garage Sale. (Rocky and the warehouse items). A total of \$30.00 was added to the previous total of \$1,884.00.

Committee Reports

- The Bylaws committee could not report due to Rocky being at Climate Camp.

Old Business

- KRA Garage Sale Update – The 2023 KRA Community Garage Sale had been successful. No one inquired about the cash drawing not being offered at this year's garage sale. KRA discussed advertising for future garage sales and decided the garage sale would be advertised on social media, signs at the College Park church, and the KRA garage sale banner at the entrance to Kilkich.
- Construction Issues – Alison discussed the success of stopping road construction for the KRA garage sale.
- Status of the Kilkich Forest – The status of Kilkich forest was tabled.

New Business

- Board Vacancies for Chair and Secretary Nominations – Discussion was held and tabled.
- Zoom Future Meetings – Discussion was held that future meetings may or may not be zoomed. KRA did have two attendees via Zoom. Rocky Doyle from Climate Camp and Jessica Meza (resident) zoomed in. CIHA said they would help with future Zoom meetings.
- KRA Note Cards, Shirts, and Banner – The Board discussed the need for all. Alison noted that the cost of shirts was expensive, but they were good quality. It was discussed that KRA would look more professional with advertisement (KRA logo) shirts. Thank you cards and banner approved. Discussion over shirts determined the cost was too high. Rocky stated he would be willing to buy his own shirt. Other members discussed half of the cost could come from KRA funds and the Board member would pay the other half. Discussion ended that half the cost could be paid out of KRA funds or member could pay out of pocket. It was also discussed that Alison would bring in a shirt sample.
- BBQ on Kilkich or Community Activity – Need to set date and menu. Alison presented the amount of the cost. The discussion was that it would take too much of our funds. The Board went back and forth with cost savings. Alison pointed out that we could go to the Chef Store for potato salad, utensils, etc. Discussion over numbers between Pam and Rocky. Rocky did not want to spend all of KRA funds for one event. He expressed concern over future funds. Shelley put it to a vote that KRA have the BBQ with 35 people cost estimate. It was decided not to have potato salad but chips instead. Motion passed at 35 people with chips and utensil purchase. BBQ date is September 17, 2023, at noon.

Shelley discussed a “Haunted Forest by the Plankhouse” giving out candy to kids. Having volunteers willing to hide around the Plankhouse loop to surprise children and give out candy. Shelley stated she would contact Head Start and Afterschool program to see if that would work for their program.

- Discussion Regarding the Difference Between the KRA Board and the CIHA Board – Anne explained that CIHA was created by Tribal ordinance to oversee the Tribe’s housing programs and that the CIHA Board is an executive body. KRA was created early on as part of a HUD requirement. Residents associations generally engage in activities to promote community spirit and participation.
- Sea-Ha Runner Notices/Additions – The September 17, 2023, BBQ and information about the Emergency Preparedness Box and where to pick it up.

Public Comment

- No public comment.

Next Meeting Date

- September 11, 2023, in person at CIHA and on Zoom.

Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.