

**Lake Thunderbird Association  
Special Meeting Minutes  
November 3, 2024**

*Minutes of the 2024 Special Meeting of the Lake Thunderbird Association, Putnam IL, held at the clubhouse at 2 Lake Thunderbird Drive, Putnam, IL on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November 2024, immediately following the 2024 Annual Meeting.*

**Pledge of Allegiance/Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 1:46 p.m., immediately following the adjournment of the 2024 Annual Meeting.

**Roll Call/Establishment of a Quorum:**

Board members present – Bob Bittner, President; Paul Byrd, Vice President; Mary Crook, Director; Diana Hale, Secretary; Eva Falzone, Director; Donna Naborowski, Director; Chris Pope, Treasurer. A quorum is established.

**Approval of Agenda:** As this is a Special Meeting, the agenda cannot be modified.

**Comments by Members regarding Agenda Items:** No comments

**Adopt the 2025 Budget:**

2025 budget was approved in the September 21, 2024 Board Meeting for mailing to the membership, which was completed 30 days prior to the Annual Meeting. Call for discussion of budget – no discussion.

*Paul Byrd moved to approve 2025 Budget, seconded by Eva Falzone. Roll call vote was taken. All ayes, 0 opposed. Motion carried.*

**Appoint one Director to the Board:**

Due to resignations and appointments, there were six openings for the election of Director to the Board. Five current Directors (Bob Bittner, Paul Byrd, Mary Crook, Eva Falzone and Chris Pope) submitted petitions and are thereby elected uncontested. This leaves one Director position open for appointment.

*Paul Byrd nominated Rodger Vogel.*

*Diana Hale nominated Karen Schied.*

*Anonymous vote taken: Rodger Vogel – 4 votes, Karen Schied – 3 votes*

*President Bittner thanked Donna Naborowski for her work on the Board and invited Rodger Vogel to join the Board.*

Roll Call of New Board: Board members present – Bob Bittner, President; Paul Byrd, Vice President; Diana Hale, Secretary; Mary Crook, Director; Eva Falzone, Director; Chris Pope, Treasurer; Rodger Vogel, Director. A quorum is established.

Given that five Directors will be starting a two-year term, President Bob Bittner requested that one of the newly elected Directors volunteer to serve only a one-year term. This will ensure that with each election cycle moving forward, no more than four Directors will need to be replaced at one time. Eva Falzone volunteered to serve a one-year term. Eva Falzone, Diana Hale and Rodger Vogel are now serving one-year terms.

**Election of Officers (President, Vice President, Secretary & Treasurer):**

President Nominations: *Eva Falzone nominates Paul Byrd*

No other nominations, Paul Byrd is President.

Vice President Nominations: *Chris Pope nominates Diana Hale*

No other nominations, Diana Hale is Vice President.

Secretary Nominations: *Diana Hale nominates Eva Falzone*

No other nominations, Eva Falzone is Secretary.

Treasurer Nominations: *Diana Hale nominates Chris Pope*

No other nominations, Chris Pope is Treasurer.

**Association Appointments:**

Attorney: Propose continued use of James Arrigo of Rathje Woodward LLC

*Eva Falzone moves to keep James Arrigo as the attorney for the association for 2025, seconded by Bob Bittner. A voice vote was taken. 6 ayes, 1 opposed. Motion carried.*

Recording Secretary: Propose Alyssa Windell as recording secretary for minute recording

*Mary Crook moves to instate Alyssa Windell as recording secretary, seconded by Eva Falzone. A voice vote was taken. All ayes. 0 opposed. Motion carried.*

**Comments by Members:**

- 1) Karen Scheid, Barbados Ct – Thank you to Bob Bittner for everything he has done for LTA as our president working towards a more transparent board as a whole and his personal dedication to go above and beyond.
- 2) Kathy Williamson, Indian Hills Dr – A request to state names or use plaques (especially on the board) throughout meetings to help the members to distinguish and get to know everyone participating. More clarification in general of rules and procedure for how we would like LTA meetings to be run.
- 3) Mike Keele, Juniper Ct – Curious about the establishment of a quorum; why are non-paying members included in the establishment of a quorum or included in votes as stated in our bylaws. The current inclusion did not affect this meeting as there was plenty of member involvement but a point to address in the future.
- 4) Craig Williamson, Indian Hills Dr – Thank you Russ for establishing the Lake Manager round table meetings. Concern that the appointment of attorney is an expenditure of moneys and thus should have resulted in a roll call vote as opposed to a voice vote. Question of the ballot vote for the open board position; perhaps there should have been a motion to cast unanimous ballot for the board to be presented to vote on.
- 5) Judy Mika, Lake Thunderbird Dr – Motions need to be clarified; this will help with the transparency of board moving forward.

Paul Byrd addressed continued efforts for clarifying meeting procedures, especially regarding motions being clear and concise. Addressed as well, procedure for publishing approved meeting minutes. Currently the process for board meeting minutes to be approved and published in the ChairTree is quite long. Diana Hale commented that the Lake Thunderbird [website](#) as it evolves will most likely be the most efficient location to quickly publish the minutes.

**Announce 2025 Meeting Schedule:**

Board meetings continue to be the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month at 9:00 a.m.

*Paul Byrd moves to approve the schedule of the 12 regular meetings of the Lake Thunderbird Association board, seconded by Mary Crook. A voice vote was taken. All ayes. 0 opposed. Motion carried.*

**Adjournment:**

*The special board meeting concluded at 2:09 p.m. Diana Hale moves to Adjourn the special session of the Lake Thunderbird Association board meeting, seconded by Chris Pope. A voice vote was taken. All ayes. 0 opposed. Motion carried.*

Alyssa Windell  
Recording Secretary