

Summary Minutes WERD Meeting by Zoom, January 31, 2021

Present: Deedie Finney Boylan; Irv Felker; Brad Duplisea; Eldon Abbott

Absent: Greg Brown; Rico Durante

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the documents shared by Karen Martin with Deedie, for distribution to the Board, and to consider legal consultation for a response. Although Rico could not attend the meeting, he had repeatedly voiced his support for legal consultation, and had reiterated his support in an email on January 30, 2021.

On January 30, 2021, Karen Martin delivered documents – including a letter from her personal attorney - to the Clerk to be shared with Board. The documents outline concerns about the legitimacy of WERD, and contend that the decision to cancel the in-person Annual Meeting due to the COVID Pandemic and the terms of the Governor’s State of Emergency violated our Bylaws and State Statute. Although the membership was notified of the decision and invited to participate by mailing in ballots to support or oppose the Boards and budgets for WERD and BLCA, the Martins and their attorney assert that the Road District Bylaws were ignored and violated, rendering the Board and the Road District dissolved and without power to operate, including collecting dues, or maintaining the roads. Further, the attorney instructed Karen that he would hold individuals personally libel, if anyone placed a failure to pay notice on the Martin’s Deed.

The Board discussed these assertions, and agreed that legal consultation was the next step. Members expressed their concerns and distress that personal and financial resources would have to be directed to this process. We agreed that the Clerk would share the documents, and communicate with Mary Denison.

Discussed the need to replace Trish Cheney as Chair, as well as several Board Members considering quitting or not serving again.

Respectfully submitted,

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Deirdre Finney Boylan
WERD Clerk