

August 16, 2022

Dear Van Buren Point Community,

I hope everyone is enjoying the summer and what a summer it was! Hard to believe we are already in the middle of August and gearing up for the final few weeks of summer.

As we prepare for the September Association meeting, we wanted to make sure you have everything you need. We will hold the meeting in person and via zoom, similar to what we did at the July meeting.

**Association Meeting** - Saturday, September 3, 2022 - The agenda can be found here:

[Association Meeting Agenda - Sept. 3](#)

**ZOOM Connection information for those not attending in person**

Graham Westerberg is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: VBP Association Meeting

Time: Sep 3, 2022 10:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81344210457?pwd=dIA4SStaVEZwVTB0bWc5OFpmL2lCUT09>

Meeting ID: 813 4421 0457

Passcode: 879141

**Board Elections** - Regarding the Board Elections. The Nominating Committee spent a tremendous amount of time soliciting recruits for the Board. We have six candidates for four openings. The ballot can be found below. Bios for the candidates will be posted to the website shortly.

We would like to thank the Nominating Committee of Clancy Atkinson, Lee Ann Bennardo, and Scott Pavlot for their work in recruiting candidates. This is not an easy task. As we continue to build community, we hope and encourage others to help this great community.

**The ballot for the voting can be found here -**

[Ballot for VBP Board Elections and Budget](#)

**Budget** - The proposed 2023 budget can be found here:

[Proposed 2023 VBP Budget](#)

We are proposing an increase in dues to meet the needs of the current demand with inflation. We have adjusted a few other budget line items to meet the needs of different areas that are in need of funding, but other than that, have not made any major changes.

If you are unable to pay the full amount of the dues or the assessment by the due date of March 1st, please contact the Treasurer in advance of March 1st and arrange for alternate payment plans. This will avoid a penalty.

We will vote on the budget and board positions separately. Below is a google form to vote electronically. The voting is open now and will close at 10am on September 3rd to give the nominating committee time to process the results. We ask that if you are comfortable with electronic voting, that you please do so. However, we will have someone at the Community Center as well to collect ballots.

**Proxy** - This should only be needed if you are unable to vote via the google form, and would like someone to vote on your behalf in person after the meeting at the Community Center. It can be found here:

[Proxy](#)

**Minutes from the July meeting can be found here:**

[July 2 Meeting Minutes](#)

**The financials as of July 31st can be found here:**

[July 2022 Financials](#)

We hope you enjoy the rest of your summer! Thanks to everyone for making this past summer such a memorable one. Although we are still in the midst of a pandemic, it was absolutely wonderful to see everyone out and about this summer. As we continue to build community and focus on the positives of this great place, I hope that this will continue to bring our community closer. I look forward to seeing you all on September 3. Just a reminder that I will not be in person for that meeting. Vice President Bill Wilnsow will run the meeting.

All the best.

Graham Westerberg - President