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**WEISS GROVE CAMPERS' ASSOCIATION, INC. - By LAWS**  
**Adopted at July 2014 Annual Meeting**

**ARTICLE ONE**

**Organization**

1. The name of this organization shall be The Weiss Grove Campers' Association, Inc. (hereinafter the "Association").
2. The organization may, at its pleasure, by a majority vote of the membership body, change its name.
3. The Association's year shall begin on the first day of July and end on the 30th day of June.
4. All business shall be conducted in accordance with Roberts Rules of Order.

**ARTICLE TWO**

**Purposes**

The following are the purposes for which this organization has been organized

- A. To represent and act for its members in the maintenance and perpetuation of their precedential rights, privileges, tranquility, and enjoyment of the water and environs of Weiss Grove, Galway Lake, County of Saratoga, State of New York, agencies of the Government, and the general public.
- B. To levy and collect money from its members pro rata for payment of costs incurred in the operation thereof.
- C. To promote and encourage safe and healthy recreational use of Weiss Grove and the water of Galway Lake by individuals and groups of members, their families, guests and tenants.

**ARTICLE THREE**

**Membership**

All those who own real property within Weiss Grove, Saratoga County, New York shall be members of this organization. Only members current in payment of assessments as of August 31 of the calendar year in which the assessment is due shall be entitled to the privileges and services of the Association, including but not limited to voting at Association meetings, the dumpster service, and roads.

When property changes hands, a member must comply with the following requirements:

1. Submits a notice in writing to the Secretary of the Association of the transfer of ownership.
2. Submits evidence that all tax assessments due to the Town of Galway are paid to date.
3. Has paid all assessments levied by the Association. In the event that two or more persons own real property, such persons shall be considered as members with one vote per residence.

**ARTICLE FOUR**

**Meetings**

The annual membership meeting of this organization shall be fixed by the Board of Directors-not more than two weeks from the first Sunday of July each and every year. If there is not a quorum of members in good standing, a second meeting will be held in the following two weeks and if a quorum of members in good standing is not attained at the second meeting, the Board of Directors will then make the decisions.

The presence of not less than 20% of the members shall constitute a quorum and shall be necessary to conduct the business of this organization. Members in good standing are those that have paid by August 31 of the most recent calendar year in which the assessment were due.

Special meetings of this organization may be called by the president when he/she deems it for the best interest of the organization. Notices of such meeting shall be posted and mailed to the membership at least seven days but not more than twenty-five days before the scheduled date set for the special meeting. Mailing may be conducted by either U.S. mail or email. Such notice shall state the reason(s) that such meeting has been called, the business to be transacted at such meeting, and by whom called.

At the request of two members of the Board of Directors, or ten members of the organization, the president shall cause a special meeting to be called - but such request must be made in writing at least fourteen days before the requested scheduled date.

No other business but that specified in the notice may be transacted at such special meeting without the unanimous consent of all present at such meeting.

## **ARTICLE FIVE**

### **Voting**

At all meetings, all votes shall be by voice vote unless the president or a majority of members in attendance directs that a written ballot be taken.

Each residence, as defined herein in Article III, shall be entitled to one vote. A

## **ARTICLE SIX**

### **Order of Business**

Roll call  
 Reading of the minutes of the preceding meeting reports of committees  
 Reports of officers  
 Reports of committees  
 Old and unfinished business  
 New business  
 Good and welfare  
 Adjournment

## **ARTICLE SEVEN**

### **Board of Directors**

The business of this organization shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of six members elected by the general membership, together with the officers of this organization. The Directors to be chosen for the ensuing year shall be chosen at the annual meeting of this organization and they shall serve for a term of two years. Term limits shall be applied unless waived by action of the membership at the Annual Meeting by majority vote for positions as specified at that meeting.

Six directors shall be elected, three each year. If an officer or a director does not attend three consecutive meetings or vacates the office, he or she will be replaced by majority vote of the board to serve until the next Annual Meeting.

The Board of Directors shall have the control and management of the affairs and business of this organization. Such Board of Directors shall only act in the name of the organization when it shall be convened by its Chair after due notice to all Directors of such meeting.

Fifty percent of the members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum, and the meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at a time and place designated by the Chair of the Board in June, July and August or as designated by the Board of Directors.

Each officer and director shall have one vote and such voting may not be done by proxy.

The Board of Directors may make such rules and regulations covering its meetings as it may in its discretion determine necessary.

The Board of Directors may authorize the expenditure of up to \$500.00 for a project serving the interests of the Weiss Grove Camper's Association, Inc. Expenditures in excess of \$500.00 must be referred to the general membership for approval.

The President of the organization, by virtue of his/her office, shall be Chair of the Board of Directors.

## **ARTICLE EIGHT**

### **Officers**

The officers of the organization shall be as follows:

President  
Vice-president  
Secretary  
Treasurer

The officers shall be elected by the membership for a term of two years at the annual membership meeting. Officers shall serve no more than three consecutive terms, and a minimum of two years must elapse before a member can again serve in that capacity. Officers shall receive an exemption of \$50.00 from payment of Grove assessments during their terms of office.

Officers shall, by virtue of their office, be members of the Board of Directors.

### **PRESIDENT**

The President shall preside at all membership meetings.

He/she shall present at each annual meeting of the organization an annual report of the work of the organization.

He/she shall appoint all committees, temporary or permanent, excepting the Nominating Committee which will be elected by the general membership as provided in Article Nine.

He/she shall see that all books, reports and certificates as required by law are properly kept or filed.

He/she shall be one of the officers who may sign the checks or drafts of the organization.

He/she may authorize the expenditure of up to \$200.00 for a project serving the interests of the Weiss Grove Camper's Association, Inc. Expenditures in excess of \$200.00 per project must be referred to the Board of Directors.

He/she shall have such powers as may be reasonably construed as belonging to the chief executive of any organization.

### **VICE-PRESIDENT**

The Vice President shall undertake responsibilities as designated by the President.

He/she, in the event of the absence or inability of the President to exercise his/her office, become Acting President of the organization with all the rights, privileges and powers as if he/she had been duly elected President.

### **SECRETARY**

The Secretary shall keep the Minutes and records of the organization in appropriate books.

It shall be his/her duty to file any certificates required by any statute, Federal or State.

He/she shall give and serve all notices to members of this organization.

He/she shall be the official custodian of the records of this organization.

He/she may be one of two officers required to sign checks and drafts of the organization.

He/she shall present to the membership at any meeting any communication addressed to him/her as Secretary of the organization.

He/she shall submit to the Board of Directors any communication(s) which shall be addressed to him/her as Secretary of this organization.

He/she shall attend to all "Correspondence of the organization and shall exercise all duties incident to the office of Secretary.

### **TREASURER**

The Treasurer shall have the care and custody of all moneys belonging to the organization and shall be solely responsible for such moneys or securities of the organization. He/she shall cause to be deposited in a regular business bank--savings bank or trust company as determined by the Board of Directors, except that the Board of Directors may cause such funds to be invested in such investments as shall be legal for a bank in the State of New York.

He/she must be one of the officers who shall sign checks or drafts of this organization. No special fund may be set aside that shall make in unnecessary for the Treasurer to sign the checks issued upon it.

He/she shall render, at stated periods as the Board of Directors shall determine, a written account of the finances of the organization and such report shall be physically affixed to the Minutes of the Board of Directors of such meeting.

He/she shall present a report of the Association's finances at the annual meeting.

He/she shall exercise all duties incident to the office of Treasurer.

### **ARTICLE NINE Committees**

All committees of this organization shall be appointed by the President, and their term of office shall be for a period of one year or less if sooner terminated by the action of the President, except that the Nominating Committee shall be elected by the membership at the annual meeting. The Nomination Committee shall be a permanent committee to be composed of three members elected by the general membership.

The President shall appoint such other committees as in his/her judgment shall be necessary.

### **ARTICLE TEN Assessments**

The assessments of this organization shall be such amount as may be determined by the Board of Directors and approved by the membership at the Association annual meeting. A proposal to make a change in the recommended assessment amount shall be made in writing and provided to the Secretary

in advance of the meeting. A proposal made at a meeting for a change in the recommended assessment level shall be taken under consideration at a subsequent meeting,

Assessments will be levied on each additional structure on a member's property for which rent is collected.

#### **ARTICLE ELEVEN Amendments**

These Bylaws may be altered, amended, repealed or added to by an affirmative vote of not less than one third of the Association members.

Any proposed amendment must be submitted to the Secretary in writing in sufficient time for it to be included in the notice of the next annual membership meeting.

#### **ARTICLE TWELVE General**

1. Use of the Grove field house and related facilities is restricted to members only, with the donation rate and conditions to be set by the Board of Directors from time to time and approved by membership at the annual meeting.
2. All rights-of-way to the lake shall be posted and properly maintained by the Association.
3. The Town of Galway zoning regulations shall be the minimum standard for camp construction in Weiss Grove.
4. Property owners are responsible to advise any contractors working for them in the grove that they have to repair any damage done by them or their equipment to the roads or any other member's property.