



The Jain Sangh, Inc.

A Non-Profit, Tax-Exempt Religious Organization ID #22-2767832
TRI STATE – NJ, PA, & DEL

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Meeting Minutes of Jain Sangh Inc. Third EC Meeting of FY 2020

Friday, May 08, 2020

Attendees:

EC Members

In-Person (Via: Zoom Video Teleconference) Present:

Devji Dedhia, Girish Sanghvi, Dhiren Mehta, Haresh Shah,
Bhavin Shah, Bharat Doshi, Ashok Vora, Chintan Shah,
Jayant Lodaya

Other Members:

NONE

MEETING AGENDA:

- 1) Approve Meeting Minutes from September 20, 2019, March 12, 2020 and March 20, 2020 meetings.
- 2) Financial updates and reports from Treasurer/Jt. Treasurer. (Bhavin Shah and Jayant Lodaya)
 - Loan from SBA EIDL.
 - FY 2019 and 1st quarter 2020 financial statements.
 - FY 2020 financial loss estimates and discusses the plan for fund raising to keep the loss at minimum level for FY 2020.
- 3) Discuss the effect of COVID-19 and future plan to open the temple without any large group activities. Approve/disapprove in-temple Poojas, scholar lectures, Bhavna, Pathshala and any other religious activities via tele video broadcasting without large group gathering.
- 4) To approve/disapprove Dhawja Aarohan in first week of June and if we approve, planning for this event with total number of people including Pooja Vidhikars.
- 5) All Committee Report
 - Pooja Committee (Devji Dedhia and Girish Sanghvi)
 - Pathshala Committee (Mulchand Gala and Kunjal Shah)
 - Maintenance Committee (Bharat Doshi and Jayant Lodaya)
- 6) Discuss any other issues, time permitting

Due to COVID-19 situation, all EC members will meet via teleconference or tele video link.



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MEETING MINUTES

MEETING CHAIR: Dhiren Mehta

MEETING MINUTES: Haresh Shah

This meeting took place in-person (*Via: Zoom Video Teleconference*) by individuals mentioned above on Friday, May 08, 2020, at 8.30 pm.

A meeting quorum was met and called to order at 8.35 pm.

Meeting started by the recital of Navkar Mahamantra by Devji Dedhia.

Before going over the Meeting Agendas, Dhiren Mehta asked all EC members about any conversation or forwarding the agenda email to anyone outside the EC members because Maheveer Jain sends the email with same talking points as were the meeting agendas. Mahaveer Jain also did the same thing for March 12, 2020 meeting agendas. Chintan Shah acknowledges that he had the conversation with Mahaveer Jain few days ago. In future, Dhiren Mehta requested all EC members to keep informed EC Secretary if any conversation happens regarding the future meeting agendas prior to the EC meeting. If EC members are forwarding any future agenda email to anyone outside of EC group, copy it to Secretary.

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes of September 20, 2019, March 12, 2020 and March 20, 2020 EC Meetings.

Girish Sanghvi proposed to approve all three meeting minutes, Bharat Doshi seconded the proposal.

Executive Committee unanimously approved the minutes of September 20, 2019, March 12, 2020 and March 20, 2020 meetings unanimously.

2. Financial updates and reports from Treasurer, Bhavin Shah

- Loan From SBA EIDL (Economic Injury Disaster Loan)

The Jain Sangh was eligible and applied for SBA EIDL Loan under federal CARES act. We have received the \$1,000 after proper filings. The Jain Sangh was not eligible for SBA PPP (Payroll Protection Plan) Loan and did not applied for the



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same. The Jain Sangh will file all necessary documents and certification if required under Federal CARES act to ask for the forgiveness of EIDL Loan.

- FY 2019 and 1st quarter 2020 interim financial statements.

Bhavin Shah verbally presented the financial updates and will submit the interim financial statements which will be the part of this meeting minutes as Exhibit 1

- FY 2020 financial loss estimates due to temple closing.

Bhavin Shah presented the estimated budgeted fixed expenses which temple will incur during FY 2020. The budgeted expenses estimate is around \$53,000 and is presented in the Exhibit 2 of this meeting minutes.

Bhavin Shah will submit the Tapsvi Bahuman list of all recipients with amount. This list will be the Exhibit 3 of this meeting minutes.

All EC members unanimously approved to send an email to all Sangh members for generous donation to emergency fund to keep the temple in financial break-even position.

3. Discuss the COVID-19 effect and future plan to open the temple:

The Governor of New Jersey State has extended the emergency order to keep close all non-essential businesses till further notice and Stay-at Home order in place. Executive committee unanimously decided to obey the Governor's order and CDC guidelines to keep the temple close for any and all religious activities till further notice. All EC members' intention is to keep all Sangh Members safe and healthy.

4. To approve/disapprove Dhawja Aarohan in first week of June:

EC Members discussed if it was feasible to do the Dhawja Aarohan ceremony in 1st week of June with limited number of people including puja vidhikars. Dhiren Mehta suggested to get the waiver from NJ State to perform the required religious activity. Girish Sanghvi suggested to postpone the ceremony till July 2020 and assess the situation in next EC meeting. All EC members unanimously accepted the Girish Sanghvi's suggestion for the safety of Sangh members and as per the Section 3 of this meeting minutes to postpone Dhawja Aarohan ceremony.



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5. Committee Reports.

- **Pooja Committee:** Devji Dedhia, Mulchand Gala, Lankesh Haria and Girish Sanghvi are performing various virtual religious activities like Pooja, Bhavna, Bhakti, Navkar Jaap. Members participation is very much satisfactory. They are also getting sponsorships for these virtual activities.
- **Pathshala Committee:** Mulchand Gala and his co-coordinators are running the virtual pathshala since the temple closing. Kids and parents participation is over 90 percent. As per Mulchand Gala, Kids are really enjoying the virtual pathshala.
- **Maintenance Committee:** Dhiren Mehta mentioned that kitchen cabinets donated by Sachin Dedhia were installed with granite countertop. Most of the work was done by volunteers. Dhiren Mehta thanked and appreciated Sachin Dedhia on behalf of EC and our Sangh for this generous donation.

All above-mentioned resolutions were approved and adopted by all in-person (*via: Zoom Video teleconference*) Executive Committee Members of the Jain Sangh, Inc.

The meeting was adjourned at 10.20 pm with a recital of Manglik by Ashok Vora.

Meeting minutes and resolutions certified by Secretary, Dhiren Mehta on May 08, 2020.

Dhiren Mehta

May 08, 2020

DHIREN MEHTA, Secretary, The Jain Sangh, Inc

DATE