

# 2015 LSA Board Minutes

## Lake Shamineau Association Board Meeting February 7, 2015 - Perkins, Sauk Rapids, MN

**Board members present:** Jane Kramer, Al Doree, Sandy Williams, Bob Ingle, Bob Koll, Judi Kupferschmitt, Dave Graning, Kim Salisbury , Pat Held, Randy KeVERN, Mike Fedde, Jacquie Rognli  
**Absent:** Rick Rosar and Randy Heltemes

Meeting was called to order by Bob Koll at 9:30 a.m.

### Treasurers Report

Pat provided the Profit & Loss report (see detailed report for revenue and expense categories)

Income	\$5,734.67
Expense	<u>7,717.70</u>
Income	\$-1,962.83
Balance Sheet	
Assets	\$14,025.22

- Request for approval for Pat to apply for grant to help offset cost of milfoil removal - motion by Al seconded Jacquie, approved.
- Discussion of getting a professional audit of our finances, Pat will research the cost, then will discuss and vote.
- Pat suggested we pursue the postal rate available with our 501(c)3 nonprofit status. Question was raised, do we have enough mailings to decrease cost of mailings, and mailings will take longer to arrive - auditor can help answer this.
- Motion to accept treasurer's report by Al, seconded by Jane, approved.

### Membership

- Bob Ingle will provide the number of members by email.
- One new volunteer on Angle Road - Pamela Nelson, and could use some more volunteers.
- Pat moved to approve the report, Al seconded, approved.

### Fishing

Observations: Bob has seen ice fishermen out, ice formed early, some walleye being caught, good ice , though serious ice jacking from it, east landing looks in good shape.

### Water

- Al applied for annual bog permit at the Little Falls DNR office
- Water testing - RMB lab can have our water samples picked up by Speedy Delivery, quicker and more convenient than UPS, they always had delivered the testing materials
- Dave moved to accept the report, Pat seconded, approved.

## **Communications**

- Membership and Board minutes are up on website. Jacquie will be making updates to the website.
- Elections this spring, Al Doree, Bob Koll, Pat Held, Rick Rosar, Jane Kramer. Al will keep the water testing duties but will give up his spot on the board. Jane will go off the board, Pat will stay on.
- Jacquie has list of all reports on website for Lake Improvement District requirements.
- Pat moved to accept the report, Randy K. seconded, approved

## **LID (Lake Improvement District)**

- We need to find members willing to be on LID board, need 3 residents, 2 nonresidents.
- Bob brought the Ruth Lake and Lake Alexander problems lists, solutions and cost as examples for us to follow in preparing our documentation for application to the county.
- Kathleen Metzger, DNR hydrologist, Deb Lowe, auditor/treasurer of Morrison County are providing advice on our LID application. Kenneth Zeik is Morrison County hydrologist and could be another resource.
- Al mentioned that Morrison County is inspecting lake septic systems (Fish Trap).
- Bob reviewed our proposed projects and budget for the LID.
- We plan to use divers again next summer to hand pull Eurasian Milfoil. Survey done last fall of aquatic vegetation found the Eurasian Milfoil, Purple Loosestrife and hybrid Milfoil.
- Estimates for the LID projects should total \$12,000, based on our estimates of \$35 per owner in our support documentation.
- Bob is working on the documentation and Jacquie will edit.
- Discussion about how the Lake Shamaineau Association (LSA) and the Lake Improvement District (LID) compare. LID funds follow specific plan whereas LSA can do immediate needs, and provide input to LID plans.
- LID timeline - need paperwork by 40 days prior to hearing. We will get timeline from Deb Lowe.

Encourage writing to legislators about state support for lake care. Request it not just be for education. We need funding for invasive species treatment and mitigation.

Next Board meeting to be held April 11 to plan the Spring meeting May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

**Minutes respectfully submitted by Sandy Williams, Secretary.**

## **Lake Shamineau Association Board Meeting**

### **April 11, 2015 Hitchin' Rail, Lincoln, MN**

**Board Members present:** Sandy Williams, Mike Fedde, Randy Heltemes, Bob Koll, Rick Rosar, Bob Ingle, Judy Kuperschmidt, Jacqui Rognli, Randy Kevern, Dave Graning

Board Members absent: Pat Held, Jane Kramer, Al Doree, Kim Salisbury

**LID Committee guests:** Fred Combs, Dale Maschuga

Randy H. called the meeting to order.

#### **Additions and Corrections to February 7, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes**

Bob Koll noted that both Ruth Lake and Lake Alexander information was shared as examples of LID documentation. Pat Held made corrections regarding 501(3)c postage cost opportunity to check into. Minutes were approved as corrected.

#### **Water Quality Update**

Al Doree contracted with RMB again this year to do the water testing, first test on May 18th. We can arrange for Speedee Delivery to pick up the samples at Al's house instead of having to take it to UPS. He thinks the charges will be on the RMB invoice, so no extra bill for shipping. Not sure when the DNR will install the lake gauge, usually in May sometime.

Al marked April 9th at ICE FREE (ice out) for this year due to the ice in the bay going out later. That is 10 days earlier than the average ice out.

#### **Communication Update**

Jacqui needs reports sent to her for the newsletter as soon as possible. The spring meeting is earlier this year due to when Memorial Day falls.

Jacqui will include a page in the Lake Shamineau Association website with information and documents for the proposed Lake Improvement District (LID).

#### **Membership Update**

Bob Ingle reviewed membership and indicates that in 2015 54 one year renewals and 37 three year renewals are due. If all members renew, it would result in \$3,115 income.

Also there are 71 memberships that have either lapsed or never paid. With the possible LID, we need to educate what the Lake Association dues support and encourage member renewals.

#### **Fishing Report**

Rick Rosar indicated that fishing was good for walleyes over winter, and crappies good during late winter.

### **Other Business**

Regarding membership in Minnesota Lakes and Rivers Advocates, it is more of a legislative lobby group compared to Conservation Minnesota. We will include information about it in the spring newsletter. We belong to Conservation Minnesota where our website is hosted (formerly Minnesota Waters).

A proposal was made to purchase a GPS for AI to use for water testing. Bob Ingle moved, Bob Koll seconded, board approved. Estimated it would cost \$175 to \$275.

A proposal was made regarding getting a “no wake” designation. Is it enforceable? This will be checked into. We plan a slide show running on the screen prior to the meeting of shoreline damage. Board members email photos to Jacqui who will compile it.

The board gave recognition of our appreciation of the extensive work done on the LID application documents.

### **Annual Spring Meeting Planning – May 23, 2015**

County public hearing meeting for the Lake Improvement District starts at 9 am at our spring meeting. We will keep the Lake Association meeting short and approve the financial report, approve membership meeting minutes from fall, and elect new board members. We will start the Lake Association meeting at 8:30.

We will have 2 board members retiring this year and next year Bob, Randy, and Jacqui complete their current three year terms.

Prize donations for spring include a Kerry Kuperschmidt painting, wine from the local Scandia Valley winery, and a round of golf at Pine Ridge.

Bob Koll will get to the church early for setup. We will set up membership renewal tables in the entry hall due to expecting a larger number of attendees due to the public hearing. Bob Ingle will create a list of property owners with addresses (Excel list in alphabetical order) for people to sign in for the public hearing. Jacqui will print the rules of a public hearing in the newsletter.

Board members are to be there by 7:45 a.m. to set up tables, chairs and to start coffee. Jacqui will bring audio visual equipment.

Motion to adjourn was made by Sandy, seconded by Randy and approved.

**Minutes respectfully submitted by Sandy Williams, secretary.**