

2022 LSA Board MINUTES

Lake Shamineau Association Spring Board Meeting

March 26, 2022 at 9 a.m. at Countryside Restaurant, Motley, MN

Board members present: Dale Williams Sandy Williams, Pat Held, Bob Ingle, Kim Salisbury, Dave Graning, Don Kirchner

Board members absent: Jerry Lukoskie, Mark Frisk, Michael Krause

The meeting was called to order by President Dale Williams.

Secretary Report: Sandy provided copies of previous board minutes from Zoom meetings from August 17 and September 8, 2021 that were published in the fall LSA newsletter. Motion was presented by Kim and seconded by Don to approve the minutes. The motion was approved. Board member resignations were acknowledged. Bob Ingle resigned due to his election to the Lake Shamineau Lake Improvement District board. Pat Held's latest term has expired and after 18 years on the board, he is ready to "retire". Pat will continue to review our Lake Management Plan.

Treasurer Report: Jerry Lukoskie had provided the bank balances as of March 16, 2022. He noted the one outstanding check of \$239.47 which will not be cashed. Pat moved to approve the financial report and to add that check amount back to the totals. Kim seconded the motion and it was approved.

Lake Shamineau Association Treasurer's Report as of March 16, 2022		
BANK BALANCES		
Randall State Bank - Checking		\$2,368.96
Randall State Bank - Savings		16,558.22
Total		\$18,927.18

A discussion of the remaining balance of the donations for the Emergency Task Force for water mitigation projects was held. We need to find out if there will be costs associated with keeping the ditch cleaned out that is currently draining water westward from the marshland south of county road 203. We will check with the county and Scandia Valley what is expected.

Expiring Board Terms: In 2022, board terms of Dale Williams, Mark Frisk and Kim Salisbury expire. Nominations and elections will occur at the membership meeting on May 28. At present we have eight members on the board.

LSA Website: Michael Krause has been working on a new website to replace the Minnesota Waters sponsored one that ends on May 31, 2022. Sandy will check with Michael as to its progress. We want it to be functioning by mid-May when the spring newsletter is published.

Membership: Kim Indicated we have approximately 175 members. Expiring memberships will be published in the spring newsletter. Sandy provided a count of membership expirations by year, lapsed memberships and those riparian owners who never join the association.

LSLID Update: Bob Ingle gave a brief update of progress of the high water project. Final designs are in progress by Houston Engineering. State financial support is in legislative proposals and expect to be resolved by end of the session in late May. A grant of \$7,500 has

been received for aquatic invasive species control. The next LID board meeting is scheduled for May 16.

Septic Inspection Grants: In fall 2021, the septic inspection grants that the LSA had been awarding of up to \$200 was suspended. This program will be resumed with remaining funds of \$4,250. Any Association member who has a sewer inspection performed is eligible upon presenting a paid invoice and filling out a short application.

NRCS Long Prairie River One Watershed One Plan Update: Dale reported on the preliminary report of the plan. He objected to the lack of any acknowledgement of the high water issues. The committee took the objection and indicated the plan would be revised to include it. The importance of the information being included is that future study or grants depend on what has been noted in this plan.

Emergency Task Force Update: A meeting was held at Scandia Valley Town Hall to determine if landowners between County Roads 203 and 3, and between 30th and 40th Avenues would allow reestablishing drainage to Lake Alexander which was previously closed off in 2006. Landowners were not supportive at the present time. Dave and Pat indicated that they were not aware of further plans of the group at this time.

The pipe, pump and flow meter purchased for the Ramey pond pumping is no longer used as permits have expired. Kim moved to seek bids to sell the equipment. Don seconded the motion. The motion passed, though Dave opposed, indicating he preferred to wait. Dale will seek bids before decision to sell is made.

Additional pipe was borrowed from Clyde Mertens. Pat moved to pay Clyde \$100 for the use of the pipe. Don seconded the motion and it passed.

Donation: Kim presented a motion to donate \$200 to the Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center. Sandy seconded the motion and it passed.

Scandia Valley Roadside Roundup: Dale is working with Scandia Valley and other local lake associations to sponsor a roadside cleanup on April 30th. Posters and emails will notify local residents and cabin owners to get supplies at the town hall that morning. Dave moved to support the project. Kim seconded and the motion passed.

Spring Membership Meeting Plans: Meeting will be at Lincoln Free Church at 9 a.m. on May 28, 2022. Membership tables will be set up for new and renewal memberships. We will collect lead tackle and have lead-free tackle samples available. Dale will check on a speaker relative to shoreline plantings to stabilize banks. Mark Frisk may have information on trees available.

Board members should obtain drawing prizes for the meeting.

Motion was presented to adjourn, was seconded and approved.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sandy Williams, Secretary

Lake Shamineau Association (LSA) Board Meeting via email June 22, 2022

Board members present: Dale Williams, Jerry Lukoskie, Kim Salibury, Sandy Williams Ty Peterson, Rick Fagereng, Don Kirchner, Dave Graning

Board members not present: Michael Krause

Sale of ETF Equipment- Regarding the sale of various items which LSA has acquired to support past projects initiated by the Emergency Task Force. This included the 1800 ft of 8-inch irrigation pipe and the 2 hp submersible pump. As there seemed to be some interest in the submersible pump it was agreed that we would solicit bids for the equipment but before a final sale we would reconvene and agree on a final sale.

Dale posted an ad on Craigslist and now have a bid for the 8-inch pipe. LSA paid \$2 per ft, about \$3600 and then got some additional new gaskets so has about \$4000 invested. The bid for the pipe (just the pipe

not the pump) is \$4250, about \$2.40/ft.

Dale recommended that LSA sells the pipe as demand is seasonal and if we pass on this bid we risk damage to the pipe (currently stored under trees on Ramey property), loss to theft and/or difficulties finding another buyer who can move 40' pipe sections.

Don Kirchner made the motion to sell the pipe to the potential buyer. Rick seconded the motion. The motion passed.

It was suggested that the pump be offered for sale to the Scandia Valley Township to see if they are interested in it.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sandy Williams, Secretary

Note: The Scandia Valley Township declined the offer and the pump is listed for sale.

Lake Shamineau Association (LSA) Board Meeting October 11, 2022

Board members present: Dale Williams, Jerry Lukoskie, Kim Salibury, Sandy Williams Ty Peterson, Rick Fagereng

Board members not present: Michael Krause, Dave Graning, Don Kirchner

Roadside Roundup Ditch Cleanup weekend 2023 – Scandia Valley Township and other local lake associations sponsored a roadside cleanup on May 7, 2022. Supplies (gloves, bags, vests) were provided at the town hall that morning. This project will be repeated on April/May 2023.

Floating Bogs Fund – Proposal to establish a bog fund of \$2,000 to assist LSA members to move bogs. LSA members can be reimbursed for up to \$200 of the cost to move a bog. Bogs should be over 250 square feet, (i.e. too large for the property owner to move independently). LSA will seek out a competitive hourly rate with a qualified 'mover'. Initial costs appear to be around \$300/hour to move and place the bog. Estimated time to move a bog is 1-2 hours. The owner should be willing to help stake and stabilize the bog. LSA has a permit to remove smaller bogs (up to 6 ft by 6 ft) and Audrey from DNR says this permit can be amended to include larger bogs if there is care to consider non-transfer of invasive species, where to dispose, etc. Removal tends to be very expensive and LSA does not wish to fund removals at this time.

A motion was made by Kim to establish this fund, seconded by Jerry. Motion passed unanimously.

It was also suggested that we establish a volunteer list of people who would be willing to push a bog with boats and get it staked in place. DNR says either in the southeast corner or northwest corner of the lake.

Dale will contact the Lake Improvement District regarding their budget of \$500 for 2023 as to how they might add to the LSA grants, perhaps \$50 - \$100 per incident.

Culvert Funding Request by the Emergency Task Force for ditch on private land – A north-south farm ditch, south of County Road 203, 0.3 miles north of County Road 3 and east of Bugle Road, proposal to put in a culvert to allow water to run south. Currently is blocked by cattle crossing.

This appears to be ag-related and a project NRCS could support (erosion and dealing with sedimentation). Questions raised: Has cost share been explored with NRCS-USDA? Will the owner contribute? Who maintains the culvert if there is future sedimentation, beavers blocking, plugging, etc.

Motion was made by Dale and seconded by Rick for the LSA to contribute \$1,000 to the project. When it is complete and with a copy of the invoice, LSA would contribute one third of the cost, not to exceed \$1,000. The LSA would not be involved with maintenance or any future expense relating to the project.

Website: Michael was unable to attend and will send information on where we stand in the development and hosting of a new website. The board would like to review and discuss and have something within a month so that the fall newsletter can list the new address.

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