

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors
Lake Washington Improvement Association
Tuesday, July 19, 2022**

The monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Washington Improvement Association was held at the Lake Washington Park community building. The following board members were present: Trisha Duncan, Jim Folden, Lee Daby, Gary Gavin, Greg Germscheid, Brenda Hennek, Jerry Lucas, Harlan Mehlhop, Joe Prybylla, Dan Sachau, and John Lamm. We had 1 guest, Kim Shmalzriedt from area 2.

LWIA Board meeting

Meeting was called to order at 7 PM.

Motion to approve the Agenda was made, seconded and approved.

Minutes from June 21 were reviewed. Motion to accept was made, seconded and approved.

The June 2022 Gambling report was presented by Harlan Mehlhop. The net LOSS for the month from our five sites was \$11,602.42. LWIA's share of the net LOSS for the month was \$6,932.53.

Cash on hand in the gambling checking account at month's end is \$72,336.18.

Vouchers for the month totaled \$91,482.19.

- 1) The gambling fund needs pre-approval for all checks listed on LG1004
- 2) Some months our organization meeting is on the 20th or after. Any month this occurs, pre-approval is needed to pay bills that come due on the 20th or before. Pre-approval is also needed to pay the MN Department of Revenue for state fees and combined receipts for taxes before the 20th of the month.
- 3) Vouchers numbered 7389 thru 7415 were presented for approval. They were for city taxes, state fees, accounting fees, storage fees/rent, rents, lawful purpose expenditures, auditing fees, misc. cash/bank money, pull-tabs and bingo paper.
- 4) There were no lawful purpose expenditures.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to approve items 1-3 above.

A motion was made, seconded and carried approve the report as presented.

Public Forum: None

General Business

Approval of consent agenda: Financial statement was reviewed. Motion to approve consent agenda was made, seconded, and approved.

Water Quality committee minutes were reviewed. Jim gave a brief statement on the necessity to support the most recent grant received by the LeSueur County Soil and Water District of \$408,187. They needed \$102,047 in matching funds, of which \$25,000 was being donated by the German-Jefferson Sportsman's Association. LC SWCD was asking for \$77,047.00 from the Lake Washington Improvement Association. After some discussion, a motion was made, seconded and approved for this amount to be paid to LC SWCD over 3 years.

Old Business

Promotional project piece: Trisha led a discussion over the promotional document prepared by ISG. The consensus was that it needed to be more focused on projects and a “wish list”. The Water Quality Committee was to develop this “wish list”. It was unclear who was to follow up with ISG.

Golf tournament: Dan Sachau presented an update. The date is set for September 27th. 18 holes, cart included, \$100/pp entry fee. Westwood Bar and Grill is reserved. Hole sponsors, team sponsors are being worked on. Dan has a poster, receipt/info letter, and a potential list of donors. The golf tournament planning committee will meet after the Board meeting.

Fireworks: Dan Sachau. Cost for a “city sized” show is about \$1000/minute. Duck and Carrie used smaller fireworks from the shoreline, then ended with large fireworks from a floating raft to finish. Discussion occurred about potential locations such as Camp Patterson or the narrows. He has been contacted by people willing to volunteer to work on this. Questions to be answered include location, liability (insurance), and debris in the lake. It was generally agreed by the Board that a non-Lake Association group should head this up. Discussion was tabled, and Dan will follow up with volunteers. Most likely this will come up at the annual meeting as it was #2 on the survey.

Governor’s fishing opener: Harlan M and Trisha. Harlan gave a recap as to what he knew. Trisha updated us with the information that the bid was submitted 30 days ago. Most of the event would happen on Madison Lake, where it seems they had a very motivated business owner. Not much of this event would involve Lake Washington.

CRP Payment: Harlan M informed us that he had been told CRP payment maximum had been reduced to \$250/acre. No action necessary at this point.

Area 4 directorship: It seems the consensus is that owning property in an area is sufficient for directorship. There should be outreach to potential directors in the event an opening in that area should appear.

New Business:

Annual Meeting: Trisha and Jerry Lucas. Per Jerry, the menu will be the same as last year, but chicken only. Catered by Jonny B’s, \$11.50/plate/they do not serve. Discussion occurred about # of plates. 85 suggested based on last years usage. 100 recommended due to potential increase in attendance. Camp Patterson has a larger and air conditioned space, and people may use this event to check it out. Setup will start at 5PM. Speakers arranged so far are Shannon Gullickson on behalf of Camp Patterson, and Craig Soupir, fisheries manager for the DNR in this area. It was suggested that someone speak on our recent projects. Jim will contact Mark from ISG and Mike from LC SWCD. Discussion occurred about the timing on the postcard. It was agreed to state “Doors open at 5:30, Dinner at 6, and meeting to follow”. Question was raised about serving the meal. Jerry would follow up to see if they would serve for an additional charge. Motion was made, seconded and approved for 100 plates at \$11.50 with menu as above from Jonny B’s. Jim presented information about the postcard notification for the annual meeting. He requested \$300 for printing and mailing through Paragon. A motion was made, seconded and approved.

TriCOLA event: Jim has signs from ISG with easels. Event will occur on July 26th at 6:30.

Volunteer needed for siren monitor: Jim will be gone on the first Wednesday of August. He asked for a volunteer to cover, there was no interest. He will reach out to Greg S or Bruce Klugherz.

Meeting Wrap-Up: Next meeting will be August 23rd, the annual meeting.

A motion was made to adjourn, it was seconded, and the motion carried at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary, Jim Folden