

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors
Lake Washington Improvement Association
Tuesday, 7/16/2024**

The monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Washington Improvement Association was held at the Lake Washington Park community center. The following board members were present: Jim Folden (JF), Kent Reeves (KR), Spenser Bradley (SB), Greg Germscheid (GG), Nicki Veith (NV), Gary Gavin, (GGavin), Joel Prybylla (JP), Chuck Brandel (CB), Rachel Schmitz (RS), Brenda Hennek (BH), Kim Schmalzriedt (KS), Harlan Mehlhop (HM)

LWIA Board meeting

Vice President Chuck Brandel called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

Motion to approve the Agenda was made, seconded and approved. GGavin/HM and unanimously approved.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved to approve the June minutes. GGavin/BH and unanimously approved.

The June Gambling report was presented by Kent Reeves. The net Gain for the month from our four sites was \$5,740.99. LWIA's share of the net GAIN for the month was \$1,462.07.

Cash over/short was reported. Cash on hand in the gambling checking account at month's end is \$81,470.94, and vouchers for the month totaled \$95,907.45.

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 7970 thru 7982 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 e gaming.

5) There were no lawful purpose expenditures.

6) Kent reported that the total amount donated to the association for the year was \$60,000. Gary Gavin pointed out that our Profit/Loss statement showed \$70,000 donated. Kent checked his records and \$70,000 is correct.

All supporting documentation was present for review by the Board.

The new address for Kent's office is 1410 1st Ave. Suite 420. The office was chosen due to good accessibility for Curt and the cost of \$350/month. It is secure, but will need the added expense of internet connectivity.

Brenda brought up the need for a budget, and Spenser replied that one goes into effect on July 1. It needs a little tweaking and he will reach out to Barb for more info.

A motion was made to approve items 1 and 3 on this report; and to approve the report with the amendment that the actual amount donated to the association is \$70,000 for FY 2024. Jim Folden/Brenda Hennek moved and seconded; and unanimously approved, with Kent Reeves abstaining.

General Business: Committee Reports

Treasurer's Report: Presented by Gary Gavin. Motion to approve report made, seconded and unanimously approved. JF/SB

Communications/Social Media: No report

Fundraising Committee: The golfing event is moving forward. There is a date (9/20) for an 18 hole 4 player scramble. Nicki will post info on the FB page and website. Jerry Lynch will be providing food. There will be a 50/50 raffle, and she needs up to \$200 to have the tickets printed properly according to gambling requirements. A motion was made, seconded and approved. JF/HM

As far as membership recruiting goes, there is no activity to report on.

Investment/Finance Committee: Gary reported we are getting 4.69% on our Federated US Treasury account.

Water Quality Committee: No report, although Jim brought up the recent Nanobubble experiment at the Westwood Marina. Minor and temporary improvements in O2 and phosphorus were noted, but no additional clarity. The experiment was complicated by the fact that our water was exceptionally clear during the experiment, and the location was impacted by weeds; and wave and wind action. Also Chuck Brandel presented a graph of the Lake Washington outlet water levels from last year, and this year to date. No surprise water levels are substantially up!

AIS Committee: No report

Old business: The annual meeting was discussed. August 13th, check in at 5:30, dinner at 6. Gary needs help to manage the check in tables, and set up people will be needed. Johnny B's will be providing food again at the same cost as last year. Ryan Wersal will be a speaker, Chuck will give a brief talk on a Lake Improvement District (LID), Rachel will give a brief recruitment talk, if there are staffers from the county (Sheriff, Commissioner, etc.) On the to-do list is to recognize Kathy Fraunholz and John Lamm, and introduce Kent

Reeves and Nancy Sellner (how about Curt?). Also need to vote directors for even numbered districts and the at-large members); and to ratify the recommended changes to our by-laws.

New Business: Mike Schultz has nominated the Lake Washington Improvement Association for the [Minnesota Association of Soil & Water Conservation Districts](#) Conservationist of the year award. More to follow.

Meeting Wrap-Up: Joel P thanked members of the Board who are also on the new Lake Washington Fireworks Group on the great fireworks show. Nicki told us that the fireworks provider thought we had one of the top 10 shows they had done. Also the cleanup was relatively easy, and it was a great location.

The next meeting will be our annual meeting on August 13th.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 7:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary, Jim Folden

7/18/2024