

9-13-2018 SLPOA BOD Minutes - DRAFT

Members Present: GPM, PM, AS, GH, JG, TR

Members Absent: DK, RF

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President GPM. Minutes of the 8-9-2018 meeting were approved after review.

REPORTS

- (1) PM handed out the financial statement for business through 9-13-2018. During the period our major expenditures were for postage and our new signs. Our account balance was \$17,421.50.
- (2) PM discussed the feedback she received from United Community Bank. They will not be imposing the statement fee at this time. The Board discussed continuing to look at options for other financial institutions to handle our account given UCB still uses a credit format on their transactions (charge for payments out and credit for deposits)
- (3) GH reported that our application for the mailing permit is ready to be submitted. We will need to pay the application fee. She suggested we hold making the payment until we have a large mailing to send out. Then we pay the fee and file the application. Her suggestion was accepted.
- (4) The Board discussed the resolution issued by the WEN Business Committee to halt further development on the Star Lake Casino. There is interest in learning what WEN may do with the grant and fee land they hold on Star Lake. GPM was directed to draft a letter to Terry Tibets and Alan Roy (WEN Tribal leaders) to inquire on behalf of SLPOA if the association could help in any way with the discussion on how the land could/would be used in the future. The draft will be reviewed with the BOD at a future meeting.
- (5) Discussion was held on the email from Darren Newville, EOSCD Director on our lakescaping grant program outline. GPM will contact Darren to ask for copies of the application and maintenance contract used by his office for its shoreline restoration grant program. We will review those documents before making final changes to our program.
- (6) TR was present to provide an update on our safety buoys. We do need more anchors and chain for next season. SLPOA volunteers take care of putting out and taking in 23 safety buoys around the lake. TR was thanked for his continued work on this important function.
- (7) GPM handed out information on the AmazonSmile program for non-profits. SLPOA could benefit from member purchases through AmazonSmile. We will include information on how to sign up for the program in our Fall 2018 newsletter. Discussion was held on sending out a special mailing to all property owners to encourage participation in the program. GPM will work with GH and PM to accomplish the mailing.
- (8) A list of articles for the fall newsletter was reviewed. We will target the end of September for completion of the articles so they can be given to Brenda Ebanks for layout.
- (9) GPM handed out the list of ranked improvement ideas developed by the BOD at its August meeting. The ranking will be used as a working guide for the BOD for its work in 2019. The Top 5 ideas were:
 - (a) Explore the stocking of walleye fry with the DNR in the off years when the DNR does not stock the lake with fry (making walleye fry planting annual)
 - (b) Qualify for and promote the use of Amazon Smile for ordering of goods (donation to 501(c)3 organizations made by Amazon based on total purchase value)
 - (c) Enhance our role in monitoring lakeshore development and reporting of possible violations to the proper authorities

- (d) Facilitate an SLPOA sponsored "Lake Awareness" event
- (e) Pursue lighted buoys for safer late evening and night navigation (first validate liability)

(10) Other

- (a) Arnie's email address needs to be updated
- (b) Our 5 year permit for safety buoys is due in 2019. It is handled through the Ottertail County Sheriff's office
- (c) Ditch cleaning will be October 13th, 2018

Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm

Recorded by GPM

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