

SLPOA BOD Meeting Minutes

Home of Gail Hagen
40244 330th Ave, Dent
May 12, 2022

Board Members Present: Gail Hagen, Steve Roth and JoLene Kerr. Attending by phone: Dick Fultz and Linda Dimitrijevic

Board Members Absent: Tamara Pream and Liz Poliak

Dick Fultz called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

- (1) The minutes of the March 31st SLPOA Board of Directors Meeting were distributed and reviewed. JK made a motion to approve the minutes as written, and SR seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- (2) Treasurer's Report – JoLene reported that the balances in our accounts are as follows: \$5,880.97 in checking, and \$25,392.00 in the money market. The Lake Protection Fund is \$18,317.95, and is included in the money market total. The total of both accounts is \$31,272.97.

JoLene reminded us that we will need to have the accounting reviewed and the results completed prior to the annual meeting. We will identify a member that is willing to complete this task and have it scheduled so that it will be completed prior to June 11th.

- (3) Membership Report – Gail reported that the 2021-2022 membership number of 242 may increase based on a few membership forms that were received earlier this year. The individuals may have intended them to be for 2022-2023 year. Gail and JoLene will work together to properly report them to the appropriate membership year.

Also, the 2022-2023 membership form was updated and included in the Newsletter mailing. Also, the online registration option was modified to allow for users to add more than one email address and include a Lake Protection Fund donation. A few of the board members have completed the online registration to ensure the process is working properly.

- (4) Newsletter – The newsletter was mailed on Monday, May 9th. The mailing went to all Star Lake Property owners plus property owners within 1000 feet of Star Lake. We have approximately 85 copies left. Feedback received so far has been very positive, but it is too soon as the earliest delivery would have been the day prior to meeting.
 - a. The Fall Issue will be targeted for completion and in-homes by October 25th. Deadline for submitting articles will be October 1st.
 - b. Spotlight ideas discussed was featuring all campgrounds and resorts on Star Lake in the next issue. We have also asked the membership for ideas to be included in their Membership form.
- (5) Committee Updates from BOD:
 - a. Adopt-A-Highway: Date and time is May 21st at 9:00 AM. Announcement was in Newsletter and will also go out via email and Facebook to get volunteers. One group will need to be

south of bridge, and the other group will be south of the bridge. Steve will call OTC Highway Department to let them know of our date and if they are needed to pick up bags.

- b. AIS & Water Quality: Linda asked about an AIS speaker suggestion made by Lee Mindemann for annual meeting. JoLene will call Lee to finalize.
 - c. Membership: Gail wants to extend membership opportunities to the seasonal renters at the campgrounds on Star Lake. They most likely share similar interests and concerns about our lake and would be good advocates of the SLPOA mission. Gail will reach out to the owners to ask if they would share SLPOA information to their residents.
 - d. Fisheries Improvement: The online results of the DNR test netting has not been updated. Steve is monitoring and will communicate it when available.
 - e. Shoreline Restoration: JoLene has received paperwork from a property owner. She will monitor the project's projection and report back at next meeting.
- (6) Nametags – The nametags were handed out by JoLene to Gail and Steve. The others will receive them at our next meeting.
- (7) Swamp Shark Tournament – Steve updated the material from previous years. Steve spoke to Rhonda Bell and we will have our check-in at Bell's Resort.
- a. Registration Forms will be posted on our website. An announcement will be made by email and Facebook. Cutoff for registration will be June 13th. Registration Forms will be requested to be emailed to Secretary (Gail) so that we can start a spreadsheet, which will be used for tracking actual participation and results at check-in.
 - b. T-Shirts with the 3rd Annual Logo were ordered and will be distributed at the annual meeting.
 - c. Our give-away will be an adhesive sticker of the 3rd Annual Swamp Shark logo. JoLene is ordering.
 - d. We will have laminated certificates for 1st through 10th Place. They are a good visual for the photos of the participants. JoLene is getting these.
 - e. Gail, JoLene, Dick and Gail's daughter will be at the check-in. As other volunteers reach out, we will add them and assign roles.
 - f. Gail's daughter, Ricki Martin, will take pictures.
 - g. The Gift Cards were discussed. Currently, Bell's dining is not open due to their remodeling. Gail will contact duCharme's and check on availability of purchasing the Gift Cards/Certificates from them.
- (8) Annual Meeting – Breakfast and annual meeting will be held at Camp Joy on June 11th, with breakfast served at 9:00 AM, and the meeting starting at 10:00 AM.
- a. We will have a registration table to accept membership forms and fees. Gail and JoLene will be at that table.
 - b. Breakfast will be prepared by Camp Joy. Menu will be scrambled eggs, sausages, pancakes, Camp Aquila Pure Maple Syrup, fresh fruit, coffee and water.
 - c. The speaker that has been confirmed is Kevin Scheidecker, Otter Tail County Assessor, who will share information about the Assessor's office and the process for assessing property values, specifically Lake Properties. A second speaker will be confirmed that will speak on AIS issues affecting Minnesota lakes. JoLene will confirm. Gail asked to have bios from each speaker.

- d. We received a resignation notice from Liz Poliak earlier this month, due to other commitments with a young family and new career. We will miss her smiling face and refreshing ideas! The board will work towards identifying other members that would be willing to serve.
- e. We discussed door prizes. Gail will send out a list of the businesses that contributed a door prize last year. Dick will lead this effort with others assisting.
- f. We talked about recognizing past Presidents and board of directors at the meeting. Gail and Dick will review records to come up with a list of those that have served.

(9) Digital Speed Signs – Dick is leading this effort. We tabled further discussion on this subject due to threatening weather hitting Star Lake at this time.

(10) Clothing Sales – The online store will be opened about 2 weeks prior to the annual meeting. Communication to membership will be made by email and Facebook.

(11) 2023 Membership Directory – We will ask for volunteers at the annual meeting to participate on a committee that will work on the directory.

(12) Next Meeting Date and Location – May 26th, 6:30 PM, at Steve Roth's, 33163 380th St, Dent.

(13) Recap of action items:

- a. Schedule financial review to be completed prior to Annual Meeting – JoLene
- b. Finalize 2021-2022 membership numbers and start 2022-2023 membership file: Gail
- c. Facebook announcement of Adopt-A-Highway: Gail
- d. Call OTC Highway Department with our Adopt-A-Highway date: Steve
- e. Finalize AIS Speaker: JoLene
- f. Contact Resort and Campground owners to invite residents as Associate Members – Gail
- g. Finalize Swamp Shark Registration forms and communicate on Facebook, Website and email.
- h. Swamp Shark Stickers and 1st – 10th Place Certificates – JoLene
- i. Call Yvette Lewis at duCharme's about Gift Certificates – Gail
- j. Obtain bios from Annual Meeting speakers – Gail
- k. Solicit members to get volunteers for BOD vacancy – All
- l. Digital Speed Sign project – Dick
- m. Send out list of last year's door prize donors – Gail
- n. Request door prizes – Dick leads effort, all assist
- o. Send out communication on online clothing sales – Gail
- p. Request committee volunteers for 2023 Membership Directory – Dick to announce

(14) JK made a motion to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail Hagen
Secretary, SLPOA