

SLPOA BOD Meeting Minutes
June 11, 2020
Dent Community Center

Members Present: GPM, GH, JK and TP (RF by phone)

Members Absent: AS & DK

Gary Miller called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

- (1) The meeting minutes from May 21, 2020 were distributed and reviewed. TP made a motion to approve the minutes and JK seconded the motion; all were in favor.
- (2) Treasurer's Report – JoLene reported that the balances in our accounts are as follows: \$7,606.48 in checking, and \$26,071.70 in the money market. The total of both accounts is \$33,678.18. The funds dedicated for the Lake Protection Fund is \$17,213.95.
- (3) Membership Update – Jolene and Gail reported that the final total number of paid memberships for the 2019-2020 membership year was 232. Since the Spring newsletter went out to membership via email, we have received 49 membership forms for 2020-2021.
- (4) The Adopt-A-Highway clean-up on May 23rd was a success. Thanks to all that volunteered.
- (5) Gary shared a letter that he had mailed to Minnesota DNR previously regarding our concern with the sunfish population on the lake. Membership has contacted the board about winter fishing activity that has been observed on the South arm. Gary's letter asked that the DNR respond to several items:
 - a. Their take on the state of the sunfish population in Star Lake;
 - b. How enforcement is handled in the winter in areas of fishermen concentration;
 - c. Feedback on the process to explore reducing the limit to 5, or instituting a size restriction within the 10 sunfish limit;
 - d. Information on whether increased enforcement of AIS regulations at the public ramps has helped control of fishing limits, or if water checks are more effective for that purpose.

Gary has not received a reply from the DNR yet. He will contact them again asking for a response to his letter.

- (6) The Lakescaping project for Lori Dunham Morton and Steve Kotzenmacher, 32688 401st St. was discussed. Gail will forward all of the documentation that she has received from Steve for the board to review. JoLene issued a check for the first half (\$1,000) of the grant. Gail will contact the property owners and check on the progress of their project.

(7) The board discussed the distribution of the 2020 Membership Directories to membership. The board will set up tables in the Bell's Resort parking lot on Saturday, June 27th, from 9:00 AM to noon. Property owners can stop by during these hours to update their membership, pay the annual membership fees, and pick up their directory. The board will also be available for membership to give feedback, suggestions, and questions. An email communication will be sent to the membership. Also, the 14 businesses that purchased advertising will get a free copy of the directory. JoLene and Gail volunteered to deliver the directories in person to the businesses.

(8) The annual picnic discussion is tabled until the July board meeting.

(9) AIS efforts – education is ongoing regarding the threat of invasive species. We will continue to keep informed and share information with the membership.

(10) Small Northern Tournament

- a. We will need a canopy and table for a registration table. The set-up will be at 8:30 AM at Bell's Resort for the check-in. JoLene will get a sign made. We will also have a donation box at the check-in table for the Lake Protection Fund.
- b. The prizes will be cash: \$200 for 1st boat; \$100 for 2nd boat; \$50 for 3rd boat; and \$25 for 4th-7th boat; also \$50 for smallest Northern. JoLene will get the envelopes ready.
- c. Gary is working with Rhonda Bell to get Gift Certificates. Each team will get 2 - \$20.00 gift certificate.
- d. The T-Shirts will be available for participants to pick up on Friday night from 7:00-8:00 PM. They will also be at the check-in table on Saturday. Extra t-shirts can be purchased for \$10.00.
- e. Bell's will have the restaurant open for dining and beverages.
- f. The fish cleaning house will be available if needed.
- g. Team names were reviewed and voted on for best name. Slimer Slayers was picked as the best name.

(11) Board member recruiting was discussed. We may have an opening that needs to be filled.

(12) Recap of action items:

- a. Pick up T-Shirts – JoLene
- b. Get sign for check-in table – JoLene
- c. Get cash prize envelopes ready – JoLene
- d. Get Bell Gift Certificates – Gary
- e. Get LPF Donation Box – Gail
- f. Set up Canopy, table, chairs – Gary and Gail
- g. Follow-up with DNR regarding winter fishing activity – Gary
- h. Check on lakescaping project – Gail
- i. Forward Lakescaping documentation to board – Gail
- j. Deliver Directories to businesses – Gail and JoLene

- k. Follow-up with Arnie regarding hiring labor for the buoy placement – Gary
- l. Send additional gift card to buoy volunteer – Gary

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Gail Hagen
Secretary, SLPOA