

SLPOA BOD Meeting Minutes  
May 21, 2020  
Dent Community Center

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

Members Absent: DK

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

- (1) The meeting minutes from October 3, 2019 were distributed and reviewed. JK made a motion to approve the minutes and AS seconded the motion.
- (2) Treasurer's Report – JoLene reported that the balances in our accounts are as follows: \$9,479.46 in checking, and \$26,069.52 in the money market. The money market balance reflects a deposit of \$16,053.95 which was received from the Star Lake Concerned Citizens Group upon their dissolution. At their request, these funds are dedicated as a Lake Protection Fund. The LPF already had a balance of \$1,140, bringing the total balance of the LPF to \$17,193.95.
- (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 36 membership forms for 2020-2021.
- (4) The 2020 Membership Directory has been completed and picked up from the printer. We had 350 directories printed at a cost of \$1078.23, which is approximately \$3.08 per piece. We had 14 local businesses purchase advertising space bringing in \$1450.00 in ad revenue.
- (5) Gary provided a copy of the letter that he received from Stu Peterson, Treasurer of the Star Lake Concerned Citizens Group. The purpose of the letter was to transfer the balance of their funds to the SLPOA as referenced in #2 above. A total of \$16,053.95 was received and designated as Lake Protection Funds. The activity of the fund will be reported on at the annual meetings of the SLPOA.
- (6) Arnie provided an update on the buoys around the lake. We have 1 buoy that needs to be replaced due to poor condition. Arnie has also asked that we look for someone else to take over the buoys. He also has a contact from another lake that has hired the placement and removal of their buoys. He will contact them to get additional information and report to the board at the next meeting. The board also discussed thanking the member volunteers that help with the buoys on the lake. Gail made a motion to give the volunteers \$40.00 gift certificates. JoLene seconded the motion and all were in favor.
- (7) Gail provided information about a request for approval of SLPOA funds for a Lakescaping project at Lori Morgan and Steve Kotzenmacher's property on 401<sup>st</sup> St. Their project has been approved by East Otter Tail SWCD. The board has asked for a copy of their approval and signed

contract. Arnie made a motion to approve the first half (\$1,000) upon receipt of the signed contract, and hold the second half (\$1,000) until the project is 50% complete. Tamara seconded the motion. All were in favor.

(8) Gary provided an update on the scheduled Adopt-A-Highway spring cleanup to be held on Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Volunteers will meet at Bell's Resort at 9:00 AM. He has received 6 RSVP's from membership volunteering to help with the cleanup.

(9) JoLene reported on an invoice she received from Burns & Wilcox for \$910 for a liability insurance policy. She researched prior years and confirmed that this has been paid before. Arnie made a motion to pay the \$910 policy fee; JoLene seconded the motion and all were in favor.

(10) RV Park Status – it appears the property has been prepped and RV's are beginning to be set up within the park.

(11) Small Northern Tournament

- a. Camp Joy is not available; Bell's Resort has authorized us to use their property for the Tournament Headquarters. The date will be Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup>.
- b. Gary will share the proposed rules with the board and finalize prior to communicating to membership.
- c. The T-Shirt design options were reviewed and a selection was finalized. JoLene will finalize the order for T-Shirts so that they are ready to distribute on the day of the tournament. Additional T-Shirts will be available to purchase for \$10.00.
- d. Due to the current situation with COVID-19, we will not be able to host a lunch for the tournament. JoLene made a motion to purchase \$20 gift certificates to Bell's Resort for to be given to the tournament participants. Tamara seconded the motion, and all were in favor.
- e. Also due to COVID-19, we will not plan to donate the cleaned fish. Participants will be required to take the fish with them and cannot put them back in the lake. Each participant will be responsible for their own fish.
- f. The tournament applications will have a waiver of liability included.
- g. Gary will work with Brenda on distributing the tournament information through email communication.

(12) Discussion of the status of the annual meeting was held. We discussed options including postponing until August, and holding the meeting on the same day as the fall picnic. The board decided to cancel the annual meeting. We also decided that the board will distribute the directories and collect membership forms/fees on June 27<sup>th</sup> at Bell's Resort. Communication will go out to the membership and we will encourage that members plan to stop at Bell's on the 27<sup>th</sup> and also provide feedback and/or suggestions to the board.

(13) There are 2 board members whose terms are to expire in 2020: Gary Miller and Arnie Schenck. Due to the cancellation of the Annual Meeting and challenges with meeting due to COVID-19,

the board discussed the idea of maintaining the current board members through 2021. JoLene made the motion to keep the current board in tact through 2021; Arnie seconded and all were in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Gail Hagen  
Secretary, SLPOA