

SLPA Board Meeting
1:00 Monday, May 11, 2020
Meeting through Zoom

Call to Order: Pres. Huisenga at 1:08

Roll Call: Kirk Huisenga, Joe Ulman, Rosie Lundquist, Becki Huisenga, Karen Baker, Craig Lawrence, Bill Leopold, Gayle Mayer John Smeltzer, Marsha Smeltzer, Blaine Strampe, Maggie Wilcox

We welcome new board member Craig Lawrence and look forward to working with him.

Secretary's Report: approved as reported on a motion by Becki and Marsha

Treasurer's Report:

- Beginning balance: \$71,224.47
Ending balance: \$56,921.64
Approved following a motion from Joe/Bill L.
- Fireworks donations will be recorded on a June 1 to May 31 basis. Currently, the fireworks fund contains \$13,000 from Century Club members. It does not include donations from Kabele's or Brad Sanderson.
- The city of Spirit Lake donated \$450 (from their total contribution of \$1000), and the city of Orleans contributed \$700.00
- The general fund is no longer needed for the fireworks display; the money designated for fireworks now fully funds the fireworks display. Marsha asks how we can keep the Century Club growing.

Old Business:

- Fireworks: Maggie reports that Tal of J and M Displays had offered to attend the meeting if needed. He can wait for our decision until the week before the delivery date or "as long as he has not loaded the barge." He is willing schedule a later date this year or hold the order until next year.

The Spirit Lake Fire Department will assist as it did last year if it is allowed to.

OPA and Lake Parks are still planning to hold their displays.

Kirk and John have met with Thane and Tonya Johnson who expect to make the Kabele's donation as planned. The T-shirt sales are going well, and Thane thinks it would be foolish to cancel if Lake Park and the OPA don't. We may still get money from the walleye opener, but it will be different from previous years.

- Pancake feed: Blaine reports that Chris Cakes will allow cancellation up to two weeks prior to the event, but he would prefer to make that decision earlier.

At this point, there was a discussion about questions related to the corona virus. Joe asked how linked the pancake breakfast and the firework display are. We needed to consider decisions made by the DNR about opening the state parks and the bathrooms, changes in social distancing rules, and the restrictions of crowd sizes. While there was no option for people to maintain a 6-foot separation at the pancake breakfast, people could do as they chose during the fireworks. Blaine felt the two events were separate entities. Bill L. moved that we hold the fireworks display as planned but that the pancake breakfast will be canceled. Joe offered a friendly amendment to say we intend to hold the fireworks. Motion by Bill/Joe approved as amended. Blaine will notify Chris Cakes.

- Kirk reported that Anita O’Gara tells him that the informative sign for Reed’s Run with donors’ names will be installed this summer.
- Blaine has spoken to Wes Grimmus about installing the pump house dock. He will try to get in this week. There was a question about waiting for permission from the city before installing public docks; Blaine would check with Clyde Ihrke to clarify the issue.
- Kirk has been in contact with the individual wanted to use Mini-Wakan shelter house for a wedding on the 2nd Saturday of August and agreed to her request. She has sent the SLPA a donation in thanks.
- Our decisions for the annual meeting will be announced later.
- John indicated that he continues to be pleased with the web page that he and Marsha are managing and that there have only been minor changes.

New Business:

- The picnic table painting project is on hold as John is waiting for the DNR to provide the stain.
- Rosie requests that articles for the annual newsletter be sent to her by June 10 so that the project can be sent to Lakes Print by the end of the month. Becki will send her financial report directly to Lakes Print as usual. The deadline for business donors and Century Club members to be included in the LNS and the newsletter will be June 1st of each year.

Other:

- Becki has received 3 invoices for membership dues from the Chamber of Commerce. Membership costs \$160 annually; the SLPA receives \$150 from the Chamber for hosting a rest stop during BRASL. The SLPA is part of a Memorandum of Understanding with other lake associations; we support the actions of other groups but not become members. To be consistent with the memorandum, we will not be joining the Chamber. Kirk will talk with Blain Andera about our position.

- Becki asked for and received authorization to spend \$300 to update the version of Quick Books that she uses.
- While John and Marsha had been authorized to spend up to \$300 for display materials, the total cost was \$408.00. The expenditure was approved, and Becki asked for a paper trail.
- John reported that the Iowa Water Safety Council, in conjunction with the SLPA and the DNR, would be printing 3000 updated versions of lakes area brochures. The cost to the SLPA would be \$200 to \$250.
- Our next meeting is scheduled for May 30th.

Adjournment: meeting adjourned at 1:57 on a motion by Blaine/Craig

Respectfully submitted
Rosie Lundquist