Minutes Approved on 2/3/21 (Board Meeting)

LAKE METONGAASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

DATE: November 6, 2020 TIME: 9:00 AM MEETING TYPE: BOARD ANNUAL SPECIAL

LOCATION: Gary Goeman's Home

PRESENT: Gary Mueller, Gary Goeman, Steve Parks, Julie Janquart, Lynn Smith

I. Agenda Approval

Gary Mueller opened the meeting at 9:00am. After a brief review Julie Janquart made a motion to approve the agenda as written. It was seconded by Gary Mueller and approved by a unanimous vote.

- II. Meeting Minutes Approval [5/21/2020] (Submitted Electronically)

 Gary Mueller made a motion to approve the minutes sent by email and Gary Goeman seconded. The motion was carried by a unanimous vote.
- III. Treasurer Report (Submitted Electronically)
 Steve Parks emailed the financial report to the board prior to this meeting. He summarized by saying there was minimal changes from the last report which included two deposits, and two bills payed (Clean Boats Clean Waters & KME Accounting). Gary Goeman motioned to approve the treasurer report and Julie Janquart seconded the motion which was carried by unanimous vote.
- IV. Membership Invoice & Invite Preparation January 2021
 Gary Goeman explained that last year's membership mailing preparation was done at his place and indicated he would be happy to host again sometime around the New Year with an exact date to be determined by him at a later point. In preparation for this, Julie Janquart will update the content on the Invoice and Invitation letters and place on the new letterhead then send to Mark Truyman for printing. Julie will also print mailing labels and give to Gary Goeman prior to the "workday". Once again Gary Goeman will handle the mailing and be reimbursed for this cost.
- V. 2020 Annual Meeting Minutes Review for Website Post (Submitted Electronically)
 Julie Janquart emailed the annual meeting minutes in advance of this meeting for board
 review. All board members concurred that the minutes were inclusive of all discussion
 items and accurate therefore ready for posting on the website with the note indicating
 "Approval pending until the 2021 Annual Meeting".
- VI. Clean Boats Clean Waters Update
 It was reported by Julie Janquart that the hours of inspection had once again exceeded the required 200 hours at each landing which equated to a total payroll expense of \$8,303.15 owed to the city of Crandon. This bill was paid by Steve Parks in October as mentioned above. She reminded the board that \$6,000.00 of this total will be reimbursed through the DNR CBCW Grant, explaining that she has already submitted the required Grant Reimbursement paperwork and is awaiting final approval. The balance of the payroll expense (\$2,303.15) along with other CBCW expense for 2020 are covered by other donations. Finally, Julie explained that the CBCW Grant (75%/25%) Application for 2021 was due by November 1, 2020 and was submitted approximately three weeks prior to the deadline with the requested amount being the same as 2020 Grant (\$8,000).
- VII. 2020 Grant Eligibility Application
 Julie Janquart explained that after submitting the 2021 CBCW Grant Application in early
 October she received an immediate response back from Alexandra Delvoye (DNR) that in
 order for LMA to be considered for a CBCW Grant in 2021 we would need to reapply for
 Grant Eligibility as our last application was from 19 years earlier. She immediately acquired
 and submitted the new application and required documentation including Articles of
 Incorporation, Tax Exempt ID, By-Laws, Membership Form, Mission Statement, and a
 Historical Overview of Projects (provided by Les Schramm and Gary Mueller). We received
 approval.

VIII. Lake Management Plan Discussion

A. Onterra Edit Update

Julie Janquart and Gary Mueller informed the board that we have not learned anything new from Onterra since being informed by Eddie Heath that Onterra would complete recommended revisions after all field work was done. Julie informed everyone that we recently received an email reminder that the DNR Planning Grant will expire December 31, 2020 and it either needs to be extended or we finalize the plan and take care of all financial obligations before that point. Initially, board members discussed the idea of just requesting an extension but Julie Janquart encouraged the board to seek more information from Onterra pertaining to the current status of revisions prior to seeking an extension as doing so may cause Onterra to put off the completion of the plan even longer. Board members agreed to the idea of seeking more information and then Gary Mueller volunteered to work with Mark Truyman and contact Eddie Heath in the upcoming week. He said he or Mark would then inform the board what they learned and how the grant extension would be impacted.

B. Required Plan Review Meeting Decision (Timeline, Meeting Type)

Julie Janquart explained that the board must determine the format that Onterra will use to host the final summary meeting with stakeholders that is required by the DNR prior to closing the Grant. Onterra offered to use a Webinar, Zoom or a socially distanced in-person format with the possibility of recording the presentation for posting on the LMA website. All board members expressed concern for holding an in-person meeting for several reasons, with Covid concerns and the need to delay this type of presentation to the late spring being the main barriers discussed. After a brief discussion related to the effectiveness of a Webinar vs. a Zoom meeting, the board agreed that either type would be acceptable with the timeline of the presentation by May 1, 2021. With that decided, Gary Mueller indicated that he and Mark would inform Eddie Heath of this when contacting him next week.

IX. Volunteerism & Committee Discussion (Tabled at Last Meeting)

A. Getting & Retaining New People

Board members talked about different ideas for finding volunteers to serve on committees established in the *Lake Management Plan*. Everyone agreed that the first step would be to include a detailed article in the upcoming and spring newsletters giving details about each committee's focal points. Next, we discussed what type of role the LMA board reps on each committee should serve in and all agreed that being an active participant was important, but they should not serve as the chairperson. With that Gary Goeman made a motion that LMA board representatives on each committee may not serve in the capacity of committee chairperson. The motion was seconded by Lynn Smith and carried by a unanimous vote. Board members then volunteered to serve on committees as follows: *Lynn Smith, Fisheries & Habitat; Gary Mueller, Aquatic & Invasive Species (AIS); Mark Truyman, Outreach.*

B. New Committee Volunteers (From Annual Meeting)

Julie Janquart informed the board that Mark Truyman heard from a few individuals immediately after the annual meeting who volunteered to serve on committees. The list is as follows: Dick Klemick, Chairperson Fisheries & Habitat; Ed Smith, Fisheries & Habitat; Grant Reed, Fisheries & Habitat / Aquatic Weed; Kayla Reed, Fisheries & Habitat / Aquatic Weed; and Mark Truyman volunteered to be rep for the Outreach Committee. It was then suggested to Steve Parks that these names be included in the newsletter article discussed above to which he agreed.

C. High School Volunteer Opportunities

Steve Parks informed the board that he had received a message on our website mail from a Crandon High School student expressing interest in volunteering to work with the Lake Metonga Association in some capacity. Steve explained that he reached out to her directly, giving her some general information about possible opportunities. He then reminded the board that in a joint meeting earlier this year with Julie Janquart and Michelle Gobert, School Board President, the idea of developing a working partnership with the high school had already been discussed. With that, Steve said he would use this student's email as a springboard into moving forward with the idea and contact Michelle Gobert and the High School Principal in the upcoming week to pursue the idea further.

X. Fall Lake Mapping Results & Subsequent 2021Treatment Plans

It was acknowledged by a couple board members that the fall mapping had in fact taken place in October, having observed the work being done. The association has not received a bill from Onterra according to Steve Parks and nor have any results been shared yet. Julie Janquart reminded the board that in the Lake Management Plan we stated that the Aquatic / Invasive Weed committee would use the results of this annual mapping to determine if treatment was necessary and if so identify the location(s) for the following year. Steve Parks indicated he had already contacted Eddie asking for the related maps and a summary of the results for posting in the newsletter and/or the website but indicated he had not heard back yet. Gary Mueller agreed to mention to Eddie Heath in the upcoming week to move things along.

XI. Upcoming Newsletter Needs & Summary

Two newsletter article topics were discussed in detail above which include the *Management Plan committees* and the Fall Mapping results. Another article pertaining the injured eagle brought to the Raptor Center will be included with Steve Parks asking if anyone had learned more information about who had captured the eagle to take it in as the person originally thought to having done so was incorrect. Steve informed the board that he had made numerous attempts to reach someone at the center for more information with no luck. He will include the WLUK article in the newsletter with acquired written permission and will continue to pursue more information up until print time.

XII. Schedule Next Meeting

After a brief discussion, all board members agreed that we should wait to schedule the next formal board meeting until spring with a timeline of sometime after April 1, 2021. After hearing from Onterra next week regarding the status of the Lake Management Plan, we hope to set up a virtual Planning Committee meeting with board members in attendance also to review the final plan.

XIII. Agenda Additions (Added after board meeting opened)

A. Clothing

Lynn Smith informed the board that Chris Ebben dropped off the remainder of apparel still in stock to Smith Sport & Hobby for sale there. Lynn also received the funds from a limited number of clothing sales by Chris which she submitted to Steve Parks for deposit. Lynn felt that there was an adequate amount of stock for this time of the year to which Gary Mueller indicated that some folks do like to buy for filler Christmas gifts.

XIV. Adjournment

Julie Janquart made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:18am, which was seconded by Gary Goeman. It was passed with a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted by: Julie Janguart, LMA Secretary

Julie Janguart

Date