Approved at 9-15-23 Board Meeting

LAKE METONGA ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

DATE: June 9, 2023 **TIME:** 9:30 a.m. **LOCATION:** Gary Goeman Home

PRESENT: Mark Truyman, Gary Goeman, Julie Janquart, Winnie May, Lynn Smith, Steve Parks

I. Agenda Approval

At the request of Mark Truyman, the Annual Meeting Date Change (VIII.) was added to the agenda. With that added Gary Goeman motioned to approve the minutes, which was seconded by Mark Truyman then carried by unanimous vote.

II. Secretary Report

A. 5-12-23 Meeting Minutes Review / Approval

With there being no additions or corrections made to the minutes dispersed by Julie Janquart, Mark Truyman made a motion to approve them as written which was seconded by Gary Goeman and then carried by a unanimous vote.

III. Treasurer Report

A. Accounts / Financial Update

Lynn Smith provided copies of the financial data to board members for their review. With there being no questions for her, she then summarized a letter she received from the state of Wisconsin which indicated they have approved an extension for the completion of LMA Tax Reports. She communicated her surprise to there being a need for an extension when Jim Elam had indicated to Gary Goeman on 5-12-23 that the paperwork was being mailed later that same day. Other board members were also unaware of this development.

Lynn indicated that the Wisconsin Association of Lakes (WAL) membership is due at the end of July, asking for approval to pay this bill. Gary Goeman made a motion that Lynn submit \$300.00 for our 2023-2024 membership, which was seconded by Steve Parks and carried by a unanimous vote. After Lynn got answers to a couple clerical-type questions and there being no other discussion, Julie Janquart made a motion to approve the treasurer's report, which was seconded by Steve Parks and carried unanimously.

B. Financial Audit Planning Update

Lynn Smith reported that three individuals, Candy Daily, Judy and Rebecca Van Zuiden have agreed to do the audit of the 2022 Financial records along with her and Steve Parks. She and Steve plan to get this done soon.

IV. Committee Reports

A. Aquatic Weeds & AIS

With Steve not having any recent contact with chairperson, Grant Reed, there was nothing new to report or update the board on.

B. Fisheries & Habitat

1. Bullhead Reduction Project Update

With board members acknowledging having seen Mike Preul's shocking boat out on the water the previous evening, Julie confirmed that after talking with Mike a week earlier, his crew began their work in the previous week and that one of those nights they captured a total of 1,500 large-sized adult bullhead.

Julie then reported that most of the planning and preparations for the bullhead minnow collection project were well underway or completed with there being a few tasks yet to be done including newspaper article submission, collection site signage and completing a schedule for volunteers at the collection site. She also indicated that the drawing prizes would be purchased closer to the end of the season while the Yeti and Palobicki coupons would be purchased soon for handout at the collection site.

C. Outreach

1. 2023 Membership Project Update

Mark Truyman explained that the project was moving along well with John Wolf and Milt Dallas reporting that they had fun doing their first day of soliciting memberships, saying that people were friendly and just wanted to talk, which adds time to the process. They managed to enlist several new members on their first outing. Mark reported that he was managing the east side of the lake and found things to be much the same. They will be continuing their work on the weekend before July 4th.

2. Website Progress Update

Steve Parks indicated that the changes being made are a work-in-progress then indicating he and Matt Van Skyhawk (Web Master) are hoping the work will be completed before the 2023 annual meeting. At this point a question was raised regarding the idea of possibly allowing individuals to sign up / pay for memberships online through the website which quickly evolved into a discussion of pros and cons for this idea. Gary Goeman then mentioned the idea of a lifetime membership, proposing the idea of \$500 which would equal 20 years at the current dues rate. At this point Mark Truyman suggested we table this discussion to a meeting later in the year to which everyone agreed.

Membership Discussion Tabled

3. Constant Contact Update (Tabled from Last Meeting)

Winnie May explained the process for setting up and using Constant Contact for use in the distribution of emailed newsletters, indicating that she set up an account under her own name and pays the \$6.00 per month fee herself without reimbursement from the association. After she answered several questions regarding use, the consensus of the board was that LMA should sign up for constant contact for other email outreach projects that are connected to committee work. With that it was agreed that a meeting would be arranged to include all potential users along with Winnie May with the goal of setting up Constant Contact for LMA.

V. Annual Meeting Planning: PowerPoint Review

The board reviewed the proposed annual meeting agenda and PowerPoint handouts distributed by Julie Janquart, making changes to content, and identifying individuals who would address each item on the agenda.

VI. Boat Parade / Picnic Planning Update

Gary Goeman summarized the picnic planning thus far as being very much in keeping with previous years in terms of food, raffle prizes, and food servers with special note that Don Le Master is donating the brats and hot dogs and Bob Smith is donating the freezer for the grand prize drawing. He also indicated that Chris Ebben will be doing apparel sales again but that he and Chris need volunteers to help!

VII. Open Board Position Search Update

Mark Truyman reported that individuals mentioned as possible candidates to fill Steve Parks' position declined to run, then explaining that if we need to appoint a willing volunteer at some point late he would do so.

VIII. Next Meeting:

To be determined later.

IX. Next Newsletter (Added at the end of the meeting)

Board members briefly discussed the timeline for the next newsletter which evolved into a discussion regarding the number of volumes we want to put out annually, with Julie Janquart suggesting that we move to doing only three volumes per year. While there was no formal decision made on this or a vote cast, the planning for the next issue (Volume 3) was then decided.

Deadline: October 15, 2023 with delivery in early November

X. Adjournment

Julie Janquart made a motion to adjourn that was seconded by Steve Parks and carried by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted by

Secretary

June 11, 2023 Date