Lake Metonga Association Board Meeting Minutes for 8/4/23 Meeting

Present: Mark Truyman, Lynn Smith, Gary Goeman, and Kim Vele. Absent: Julie Janquart and Winnie May.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. with no formal agenda to approve.

Since the Secretary, Julie Janquart, is in Alaska and unable to attend the meeting, the Secretary's report was held in abeyance until her return.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report was filed and it was noted that the W-9 form would be completed for Grant Reed as requested. The Treasurer also noted that the Money Market account ending in 0072 primarily consists of the memorials received from the Donna Schram family, but does include other families as well, including the Schulz family. Future business needs to include the development of a policy, including criteria of how and when money is distributed from the Memorial Funds Account.

Mark Truyman reported that the Fourth of July picnic was a success with a deposit totaling \$6,722.00, which did not include the income from clothing sales. The total profit from picnic was approximately \$4,300.00. He stated that there were several individuals who made large donations to the picnic, and Kim agreed to bring thank you cards to the next Board Meeting for the Board's signatures to send to these donors. Kim also noted that she is making a thank you quilt for for Webmaster that contributed services for the last seven years for maintaining the Association's website.

The clothing income deposits included the following events: Charlie's- \$1,255.00 cash, Kentuck Days-\$400.00 cash, \$38.86 square purchases, and the picnic and annual meeting, \$1,000.00

The Association's donation boxes located at the north and south boat landings were emptied, and it was reported that the box at the north end contained \$133.00 and the box at the south end contained \$40.00.

Gary moved to approve and accept the Treasurer's report and Mark seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously.

Donation Requests

The Board approved the sum of \$450.00 to improve the fish cleaning house at the South Park, which represents half of what is needed. This amount is currently on hold, pending the County's donation of the other, which the "county has not approved.

An Alderman from Crandon requested the sum of \$5,000.00 to help pay for improvements to the Lions Club Pavillion at the north park. The City of Crandon committed the sum of \$2,000.00, but \$10,000.00 is needed to fund the improvements. Kim moved to approve the sum of \$2,000.00 as a match to the City's contribution and an additional amount not to exceed a total of \$5,000.00, provided the City increases its match. Gary seconded the motion, which the Board approved unanimously. The source for the contribution has to be determined by the next meeting.

The County requested the sum of \$5,000.00 to improve the boat launch at the South Park. The County did not report what it is willing to contribute in cash or kind services, so the request was tabled until more information is available to present to the Board.

Committee Reports

The President, Mark Truyman, reported on receiving an email from Grant Reed regarding DNR grant funding for future treatments to control milfoil in the lake. Grant Reed requested the Board's approval for the distribution of \$1,485.50 as the requisite matching fund to receive the grant. Lynn moved to grant the requested matching funds and to authorize the submission of the grant application. Gary seconded the motion, which the Board approved unanimously.

Kim agreed to replace Steve Parks' position on the Aquatic Invasive Species Committee.

The Fishing Committee Report is on hold because no one from the Committee was present; however, it was noted that the Bullhead removal has been very successful, with more than 2 million bullhead minnows being removed from the lake.

The outreach Committee has been busy with running a booth at Kentuck Days, planning for the .weeds and Walleye banquet/fundraiser, and main ting posts on the Association's Facebook site.

The Board needs to figure out a way to survey the membership regarding the Annual Meeting date, which is now held on the weekend of 4th of July. Most of the members that attended the meeting wanted to keep the date as is, but many members did not attend the Annual Meeting so it was suggested that the full membership be offered an opportunity to weigh in on the issue.

The live camera is no longer working and was taken off the Association's website. Gary said he will try to find a volunteer to figure out how to get it going again.

The next newsletter deadline is October 14, 2023, so if anyone has anything they would like to submit, it will have to be completed before then.

The Wild River Invasive Species Coalition is having an Aquatic Plant Training event at the South Park on August 17, 2023, and they requested an e-mail blast to the Lake Mentonga Association membership to invite members to attend. Mark will ask Winnie to send this out to the membership, if possible.

Mark said he is a member of the Forest County Association of Lakes and requested the Lake Metonga .association Board members to join as well.

That concluded the business, The Board set the next Board Meeting for September 15, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. at Gary Goeman's residence and adjourned at approximately 11:30 a.m.

Submitted by: Kim Vele, LMA Board Director