# Deer Lake Association Membership Meeting March 17<sup>st</sup>, 2015, 7:00 PM Bohannon Huston, Jefferson and Masthead, NE, Albuq. NM Board Members Attending

President- John Boutz	X
Vice-President- Chris Money	X
Treasurer -Dave Robertson	X
Secretary- Dave Kelly	X
Member-at- large-Wayne Hertel	$\overline{\mathbf{X}}$

Call To Order: John Boutz called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

Agenda:

# 1. <u>Introduction of members present</u> (25 members were present)

### 2. Review of Minutes from October 21, 2014 Meeting

Dave Kelly read the minutes. John Boutz stated that according to the Robert's Rule of Order, there is no need for a motion of approval for minutes to be made by the meeting attendees, but rather it is the prerogative of the President of the organization to either accept or reject the offered minutes. John stated he accepts the minutes, as presented.

### 3. Treasurer's Report

Dave Robertson presented the treasurer's report. We currently have leans against 3 lots. Two lots have unpaid dues from last year (Curtis Gibson and Richard Velarde). Dave stated if these back dues are not brought up-to-date, including late fees, he will place leans against these two lots. Dave reported that as of the date of this meeting we had a balance of \$27,045.66. Betty Robertson made a motion to approve the treasurer's report, with a second given by Sara Money. The motion passed by a show of hands.

#### 4. Lake and Fishing Report

Dave Robertson reported that he had been in contact with our long time fish provider (Mr. Lenel, in Co). Mr. Lenel agreed to provide the same quantity of fish at the same price as last year. Additionally, there will be 10-20 larger trout included in the delivery, which is scheduled to be near April 1, 2015. Dave reported that the remaining beaver was accidentally run over by Jerry Garcia while driving the roads near the lake (job well done!). However, the muskrats are still plentiful. John Boutz made a correction on the date of the first Lake Work Day, which will be held on Sat. May 2, 2015, beginning at 10am.

Planned projects for this work day are:

- Weed trimming (bring trimmers and rakes)
- Grass Seeding on the north bank (thanks to Dub Duran for providing the seed, which is an Alpine mix from Portales, NM). Once planted, the seed will need to be kept well watered for 10-15 days
- Fence repair work (Rails and Posts replaced as needed)
- Build a small retaining wall, on the north bank, using RR ties to provide a level place to fish from
- Work on floating docks (stain and attach wood planks)
- Same as last year, a picnic will be provided for the workers that lend a hand

#### 5. Vote on Amendment to the Deer Lake Constitution and Bylaws

Absentee ballots were mailed to the membership for the proposed amendment to Article VI, Section 1D of our bylaws. The proposed change was to increase the amount of the penalty fee to be charged for delinquent payment of dues, from the current \$5.00 per month to be \$15.00 per month. John Boutz read the proposed change to the bylaws and explained that 2/3 of the votes cast must approve this change in order for the bylaws to be officially changed. John also explained that if attending members had previously mailed in an absentee ballot that they could not vote again at the meeting. Ballots were handed out to those members attending the meeting and collected. The members were also instructed that each lot owned carries one vote per lot.

Chris Money and Nancy Robertson collected and counted the ballots. The amendment carried with 60 votes in favor and 3 votes apposing. The amendment will be affective for this current year of collection of dues.

### 6. Election of 3 Members to the Board of Directors

Three current board members have served out their terms; Dave Robertson, Dave Kelly and John Boutz. John Boutz announced that the current 3 board members had volunteered to remain on the board for another term. He then opened nominations to be made from the membership, with none being made. Larry Wiles made the motion to close nominations and was seconded by Monte Miller. Larry Wiles then made the motion to accept the three nominees by acclimation. Monte Miller provided the second. Dave Robertson, Dave Kelly and John Boutz were re-elected by acclimation.

#### 7. New Business

Bob Figge asked how the membership will be made aware of the new \$15.00 late fee/mth. This wasn't clear. Then Monti Miller requested that a line be added on our website stating the Bylaw change with the \$15/mth late fee. Larry Wiles will work on adding that statement on our website.

Michele Montoya stated that given our current high bank account balance that perhaps we should consider waving the dues for a year, or reduce the dues amount. John Boutz defended having a larger balance so as to have a backup in the event of an unseen need, or for more extensive work to be done on the lake, if needed. Chris Money stated that any of us, as members, can make such a motion. However, there would be considerations to be made related to our Constitution and Bylaws.

Dave Kelly reported that he has received 9 names to be added to our Memorial Board. Plaques will be made for each deceased member and added to the board. The cost of these plaques will come out of our general fund.

John Boutz also recognized the great job by Albert Montoya and Dave Robertson in fixing our broken aerator. Albert noticed it was not working and notified Dave Robertson, who pulled it out and fixed it very quickly, saving our fish that winter over. Many thanks for this great teamwork! Also recognized was Dub Duran for donating his design/building of our new sign (will be installed this Spring). Dub also is donating the seed for the North bank. There are many members that donate their time and energy toward making Deer Lake the special place we all love.

#### 8. Adjourn

Betty Robertson made the motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Dave Kelly. The meeting was adjourned at 8:03pm