

Friends of Fence Lake Inc.
Initial Board Meeting
Thursday, November 10, 2022

(Immediately following the Fence Lake Association Inc. Board Meeting)

Location: Office of Bremer & Trollop, 8721 Hwy 51 - Suite 105, Minocqua, Wisconsin

Officers and Members at Large in attendance: Beth May, president; Mike Bolger, vice president; Patty Michalik, treasurer; Susan Hallett, secretary; *Mike Huspek, *Bill Reis, Peter Prickett, Donna Wilkes (*via Zoom)

Others in attendance: Ken Frauenhoffer, Scott Harrod

Meeting called to order at 11:25 by President, Beth May.

A. Welcome - Beth May

- a. The directors of the Corporation are as follows:
 - i. Beth May, president
 - ii. Mike Bolger, vice president
 - iii. Susan Hallett, secretary
 - iv. Patty Michalik, treasurer
 - v. Donna Wilkes, member at large
 - vi. Peter Prickett, member at large
 - vii. Mike Huspek, member at large
 - viii. Bill Reis, member at large
- b. Thanks to Patty, Peter, Scott, and everyone who did all the hard work to pull this new organization together!

B. Legal requirements for first meeting - Pete

- a. Holding this initial meeting meets our legal obligation

C. Treasurer's report - Patty

- a. Working with Chris Rexrode to get our EIN, tax certificate, and bank account.
- b. The request for \$10k startup money from FLA was approved by the FLA Board. Once Patty gets the EIN number, she will open a bank account and pay outstanding startup costs.
- c. Peter presented a bill for legal expenses to date for reimbursement
- d. We will have a calendar year annual budget. It does not have to be approved at the annual meeting.
- e. By our annual planning meeting in the spring board members/committee chairs will need to submit their budget requests to Patty.

D. FOFL logo, SWAG, website - Beth

- a. Bridget Chapman Leonard would like ideas for the logo – colors, identity, etc.
 - i. Logo needs to identify what it refers to (Fence Lake). Something that identifies the beauty of the lake, nature, blue water, blue sky.
 - ii. Must be suitable for reproduction on swag, stationery, etc.
- b. Once we have our new logo we will start SWAG sales again.

E. Membership Drive for 2023 – Donna

- a. Donna and Beth will work together on a letter for the membership drive.
- b. The letter will need to explain that 2023 dues and donations are to be made to the Friends of Fence Lake Inc.
- c. We will be required to send donation receipts for any donation over \$250.

- i. May need something on membership form for matching corporate donations.
 - d. Get membership letters out in the first week of January 2023 vs December 2022. Our non-profit tax numbers, board of directors, and new mailing address will be included.
- F. Calendar project/fundraising – Beth**
- a. Purpose to raise money to carry out our mission for Fence Lake.
- G. Other business**
- a. Patty asked when should we be actively recruiting hired boat monitors? Ben will definitely continue as a monitor. Anna may not be available in 2023 due to other job prospects. Patty will follow up with Jean (Crawling Stone Lakes Association) as to how many people will they fund with us.
 - b. We will not be utilizing UW-Oshkosh in 2023 as they didn't work out as well as we had hoped.
 - c. We need hires who are willing to do weekends. We could place a block ad in the paper during March & April in time to get the hired monitor(s) trained prior to their start date.
 - d. 10 hours a day, 70 hours a week. Ben will cover 30 hours. Trained volunteers will need to cover at least 17 hours a week to meet grant requirements. We will need to hire additional staff to fill 25 hours a week. We will need volunteer and/or paid monitors for May and September as well.
 - i. Bridget can post to our Facebook page and include it in our newsletter.
 - e. Ken is going to check the boat landings at Trout & Ike Walton lakes to see if there is any signage re: milfoil, spiny water flea, etc.
- H. Next FOFL board meeting**
- a. Thursday, February 23. 10:00 am. Location to be determined. It will be a hybrid meeting.
- I. Adjournment**
- a. Mike H motioned to adjourn. Bill seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 12:03 pm by President, Beth May.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Hallett, secretary
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