

LMA August Bord Meeting Minutes

The Meeting was called to Order by Board President Bev Rath.

Roll Call found the following members present:

Bev Rath, President, Ron Conzet Vice President, Greg Meredyk, Secretary, Pat Rath, Treasurer, Steve Olson, Harvesting Manager, Board members Leanne Anderson, Bonnie Maxwell, Jerry Maxwell, Kay Kumpler, Margie Marsyla and Bill Warner.

The Secretaries minutes were reviewed by the board. Ron Conzet moved that the minutes be approved. Jerry Maxwell seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Board treasurer Pat Rath stated our month our beginning balance was \$5383.22. Our ending balance was \$5197.86. a net drop of \$185.36. Our Largest deposits being for the mobile home donated by the legion of \$700.00. Greg Meredyk asked what for a clarification of the \$840.00 expense to TLC was. It was explained that TLC is Don Carlsons company as Don is sub contracted.

Chuck Munson asked about changing our fiscal year. This was rejected by the board as much time had already been spent debating the placement of our fiscal year.

Leaf Dump report:

Pat Mcginn had been performing this task and has stepped down from the board. Vice President Ron Conzet pointed out that the township manages this we need do very little and suggested we discontinue our official involvement.

Water Clarity Report:

An extensive report was given at the Annual meeting. This report was dispensed with for the sake of brevity. Marge Marsyla asked why we are doing readings on Horseshoe lake. Greg responded that the county had could find no one on Horseshoe lake or part of their association to do it. In the future, Horseshoe Lake will have to find their own volunteer.

Harvesting report:

Steve Olson had given an excellent report and again as the information did not need to be repeated we dispensed with the report. Steve did remind the board again of the need for newer equipment. Pat Rath asked about the possibility of contracting out a second harvester for the times when it was most needed.

Greg Meredyk stated we should then earmark a portion of our funds for contracting a 2nd harvester but reminded the board our long term goal is to replace the exsisting equipment. Marge Marsyla suggested that as we are to get a rebate from our workmans comp insurance that we earmark that money twords equipment. President Rath agreed and stated that we should do this. She also suggested we revisit the equipment issue at future meetings.

Garage Sale report.

Chairperson Leanne Anderon reported we have placed advertisements in the following publications: The Aitkin Age, Voyager Press, the News hopper and also KKIN radio. The costs were discussed The Aitkin Age cost \$110.95. The Voyager press cost \$44.00 plus we got a free press release. The News Hopper cost \$34.00 along with a free press release and KKIN was free and would announce the sale 3 time s a day for 10 days. They would also mention the LMA's purpose.

Leanne reported she had decided on pricing items rather than color coding items.

High ticket items chiefly the jet ski lift and go carts would be placed on bid boards. Some further debate ensued on a minimum price. Bids will be in increments of \$25.00. Greg and Leanne will decide on minimum prices. Greg Meredyk expressed concern that we are short-changing ourselves if we ask too little for these items and reminded the board that we are a value -added organization and should price these types of items accordingly.

A comprimise was arrived at between Greg and Leanne of a starting bid of \$650.00 for the jet ski lift and \$150 each for the go carts.

The Bag Sale will be held on saturday between 3 pm and closing at 5pm.

Leanne also asked for a garage sale price list. Marge Marsyla currently has this and will get that to Leanne.

Chuck Munson mentioned that he will fix the Ice Auger and felt we could get \$75.00 for it. Chuck will also see to replacing the lock on the Gun case that was donated.

Leanne also asked for help from all board members in putting up the flyers. Each board member took volunteered to take a couple each.

The Cash box Marge Marsyla would provide.

Pat Rath reminded Leanne of the need to have sales categories for raffle items (Bikes & Quilts) promo items and Wild Rice events in McGregor. The Maxwells will be our presence in town.

Other New Business:

In-kind hours were discussed Ron Conzet's time for the river's and Lakes fair, including driving came to 16 hours. Also there should be in-kind hours for the Kids fishing events. Greg Meredyk's time for Lake testing is about 12 hours a month.

Bags for our informational packets need to be ordered. There will be money available from the BSALWMP grant. It was decided a 1000 bags would last us up to 3 years.

Leanne Mentioned Bag-Mart on Excelsior Blvd in Minneapolis. Kay Kumpler volunteered to research prices.

Bev Rath expressed her concern about businesses using our tent and our need to decide how best to set up a presedence going forward.

Bill Warner stated he had received e-mails about the trimming of good weed beds and some of these e-mails expressed concern that we were targeting certain areas. Bev Stated we should get the new Lake management plan out on the website and expressed hope that once in place, that concerned individuals will have the opportunity to review the parameters we work with.

Chuck Munson announced that the door frame on the gargage has been repaired.

Bev reminded the board that Board officer elections will be held at the September meeting.

There being no other business Bev asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Marge Marsyla moved to ajourn the meeting. Ron Conzet seconded.

The August board meeting of the Lake Minnewawa association adjourned at 11:20 AM

Respectfully submitted

Greg Meredyk, Secretary, Lake Minnewawa Association.