



# Board of Director's Meeting

Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015 9:00 AM

**Roll Call:**

<i><b>BOD - Present</b></i>	<i><b>BOD - excused</b></i>	<i><b>BOD - absent</b></i>	<i><b>Guests</b></i>
Jerry Bass Robbie Danko Dale Kratochwill John Montour Gregory Pfeifer Dave Warwick	Joel Danko Chuck Monson Sue Westberg	Dallas LaValley Mitch LaValley	Barb Bass Bob Bass James Cook Lyle Marsyla

James Cook indicated an interest in the LMA and the B.O.D. voted to approve James as a new member of the LMA B.O.D.

**Secretary's Report:** Chuck M.

The August Annual meeting minutes were not available for review by the B.O.D. Decision was made to review August Annual meeting minutes at the October meeting.

**Treasurer's Report:** Robbie D. provided the following summary:

<i><b>Description</b></i>	<i><b>Amount</b></i>
Current Cash Reserves	
LMA checking	\$40,511.81
Money Market CD	~\$10,000
Upcoming Expenses	
workmen's comp. insurance	\$400.00
payroll expenses (est)	\$1,500.00
New Harvester sales tax	~\$11,000
Recent Income	
LMA BBQ	\$5,642.66
Outstanding reimbursement	
LMLID	\$6,000

Robbie indicated she had worked to create a more defined break out of the LMA expenses and income on the LMA banking summary. Gregory P. mentioned that the LMA should consider providing the LMLID with copies of any petitioned reimbursements with corresponding receipts for any LMLID members review. Jerry B. motioned to accept the treasurer's report with John M. seconding the motion. The B.O.D. voted to approve the treasurer's report.

**Wild Rice Days:** Jerry B.

Jerry indicated the LMA booth was a great event and very successful. Approximately \$700.00 in promotional items were sold at the LMA booth. Jerry had a chance to talk with many people and answer questions about the LMA. Jerry staffed the LMA booth for half of the day and Dale K. staffed the booth the remain half of the day. Thanks goes out to Jerry and Dale for taking time to take care of the LMA booth at the Wild Rice Days parade.

**Election of Officers:** Dale K.

Election for 2016 Officers was held during the meeting. Sue W. has done an outstanding job as President of the LMA, but has decided not to continue an additional year as President. Jerry B. nominated Dale K. as the new President with John M. seconding the nomination. Dale accepted the nomination and was approved by the B.O.D.

James Cook was nominated as Vice President by Dave W. and seconded by Jerry B. James accepted the nomination and was approved by the B.O.D.

Robbie D. was nominated by John M. and seconded by Jerry B. to remain as acting Treasurer. Robbie accepted the nomination and was approved by the B.O.D.

As there was no nomination or volunteer for the roll of Secretary, it was decided to table the election of the Secretary until the October Meeting.

**Unfinished Business:** Dale K.

The LMA has delayed paying the State of MN the sales tax due on the purchase of the harvester until research could be done to investigate the tax status of the LMA, specifically on sales tax on major purchases. After consulting the Tax firm current employed by the LMA and a few CPA contacts by LMA board members, it became clear that under current State of MN tax law, the LMA is required to pay sales tax on the purchase of the harvester. Gregory P. made a motion to have Robbie contact the LMA's CPA and pay the sales tax on the harvester with a maximum amount of \$12,000.00 to cover the estimated amount due. Dave W. seconded the motion and the motion was approved by the B.O.D. If for some unknown reason the sales tax due exceeds the approved \$12,000.00 Robbie is to inform the LMA B.O.D. with the new amount and the cause of the increase in amount due.

**New Business:** Dale K.

Harvester Issues: A discussion was held on updating the harvesting policy. Gregory P. and John M. volunteered to update the harvesting policy. Topics of importance were the publication of the exact requirements and regulations of the DNR under the harvesting permit, providing a report of current location of harvesting operations on the lake, a process by which lakeshore owners can request help from the harvesting operations as long as it is allowed under the DNR regulations, hiring and training of new harvesting operators, recruitment of volunteers for reviewing current vegetation growth and a policy for reporting the areas of vegetation growth to the harvesting operators, and end of year report guidelines.

Greg asked for any ideas by the board of directors to be provided by November of 2015. It was agreed to have a draft of the report available for review by the B.O.D at the April 2016 meeting. A final policy is to be available for mailing to the entire approximate 522 lakeshore owners by the start of the 2016 harvesting season.

Dale K. reported that a mother and children were observed climbing on the harvester over the Labor Day Weekend. No Trespassing signs were posted on the machine. Dale K. is to confirm any liability of the LMA if someone were to be hurt on LMA property and the current status of the LMA insurance policy. Dave W. volunteered to look into ideas of anchoring the harvester off shore when not in use.

Jerry B. indicated that many people informed him at the Wild Rice Days parade booth that they did not see the LMA BBQ signs. He asked if larger banners could be made and posted at the intersection of highway 65 and highway 210 in McGregor and at the intersection of highway 65 and county road 6 (Willey's). The B.O.D. approved for Jerry to get cost of larger banners and to confirm permission / requirements to post the banners at these locations. With the larger banners at these 2 locations, some of the smaller LMA BBQ signs could be placed on some of the secondary roadways and along the shoreline.

Dale K. indicated a need to update the current by laws of the LMA. The by law requirements have become dated and do not address new technology and LMA operations. Dale asked that each board member review the current by laws and forward any updated needed. Any changes to the bylaws would then be voted on for approval at the 2016 LMA Annual meeting.

Robbie D. offered thanks to all the work Sue W. put into the request for grants during her term as President. She reminded the B.O.D. that Sue W. should be asked to continue the request for grants or be sure that this important role is filled by another LMA board member.

Robbie D. made a motion to adjourn with John M. seconding the motion.

Board members prepared to take the harvester out of the lake for the season after the meeting.

Submitted:

Gregory M. Pfeifer

LMA Board Member