

LSA Meeting - September 20, 2007

The Meeting of the LSA Board of Directors was called to order at 7pm by president, Gary Knipper.

Present: Lori Lange, Shawn Thomas, Gary Knipper, Joan Pape, Richard Fink, Ruth Johnson.

Excused: Merlin Pieper, Terry Burge, Mike Grant, and Bill Dionne.

Absent: Jim Gronowski

Minutes of August meeting

The minutes were reviewed. Motion by Shawn, second by Lori to approve as presented. Motion carried

Treasurer's report

Motion by Lori, seconded by Shawn to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- Gary and Mike were at the booth for the Community Fair. Limited interest; no sales.
- Joan set up and worked the booth at Founder John's Day in Hustisford; several T-shirts were sold and a few beverage holders.

Gary looked into what other times would be available for our meeting. We have been on the calendar for Thursday evenings (the 3rd one) for a number of years. The other open date would be Sunday. Relatively little discussion but felt it was not an option.

New Business

- Soccer Club - the soccer club is having a fall dance on Saturday October 13 and were looking for possible door prizes. Shawn moved, seconded by Gary to give mugs, beverage holders and shirts. Discussion followed as to whether this fell into our business plan. Motion carried.
- Shawn Thomas for LSID - Shawn explained that he'd gone to the Lake District and indicated he would like to become a commissioner on this organization. He felt communication between LSA and LSID was essential; he told them he would take no compensation for being on the commission. Would LSA give him a letter of support? Gary moved, seconded by Joan to draft such a letter. Motion carried. Ruth was not in agreement.
- Replacement for the open position tabled until the next meeting (Woody not available tonight)

LSA non-profit (501C) status

Doug Plier, attorney in Horicon, indicated he would complete the paperwork free/gratis if we could get examples of other organizations that are 501C's. Gary contacted a number of lake organizations and got information from Rock Lake.

Commercial Fishing

A total of \$200 in pledges remains outstanding; no additional donations have been received.

The carp shirts have been ordered - the LSA shirts with a carp logo on the back. Envelopes have been prepared with addresses and sizes shown so when received they can be inserted and mailed.

The carp fishing done on August 23 and 27 was not productive. Some Northern and Perch were caught and thrown back. There were 17,000# of carp and 7,000# of buffalo.

The Keystone Hatchery where we purchase fish is VHS certified. Gary will check into fish stocking to see if it is too late and also the cost if we pursue this without added funds from LSID. Discussion followed; Ruth will ask Laura if these stocked fish could be used to fill the "void" created by the carp removal; also do we need an additional permit. Richard moved, Shawn seconded to allocate an amount not to exceed \$2000 should it be determined it was advisable to stock game fish yet this fall. Ruth abstained; motion carried.

Aerator building maintenance

Shawn has roofing materials; need to schedule time and volunteers for repairs

DNR Lake Plan meeting September 6

Those who attended this meeting (Ruth, Joan, Mike, Jim and Gary) and in attendance at this

meeting gave their views. It was unfortunate the length of this meeting but hopefully there will be a follow-up.

Ruth will see if Laura (and Don) will be available for a meeting with LSA

Dam Inspection

A letter was received today (Sept. 20) from Dennis indicating the DNR wanted Dennis to draw the water level down 1" below the spillway; the date suggested and the short notice to Dennis were not acceptable. It was questioned whether LSA could alert property owners. We will put in our next newsletter but cannot guarantee the timing of the mailing. Richard moved, Shawn seconded that the Utilities do a notice to all parties affected and we recommended that Utilities ask the DNR to send out notices. Motion carried.

DNR Citizen Monitoring

Gary will send in the Zebra mussel report. Water sampling is complete for 2007.

Selling Mailing List tabled for next meeting

Education Committee

Mike Grant and Gary have submitted a number of articles for the Newsletter. Get other articles to Karen Fink.

Fund Raising

\$100	Michael Burrows
\$ 50	Terry Ploeger
\$ 25	Tom Budzisz

Gary moved, seconded by Shawn to print the raffle tickets. Motion passed. Imperative that these be available prior to hunting season(s).

Membership stands at 258

Boating and Safety

The rock relocation program scheduled for September 8 was not successful; it was rescheduled for the 22nd of September but as the "barge man" needs a clam bucket it does not seem that it will be a viable date either. He does feel he can do substantial business on the lake.

The buoys have been removed. There have been some complaints that this is too early. We need a contract so we can control the timing of putting the buoys in and taking out. We will prepare a contract indicating they are to go in on April 15 and taken out approximately October 1st. We also need GPS monitoring data of location of each buoy. Weather will be a factor but feel we need to "direct" dates as closely as possible.

Administrative Committee

Ruth would like to see projects on the website - i.e.: Lakeshore Property Owner Info. No specific information such as phone numbers and e-mails or non-local addresses would be given out.

LSID

Ruth reported on water quality monitoring; signs are to show swimming safety information. Dodge County does law enforcement on the lake. An additional "bag" is being added to a section of the GeoTube where it intersects with itself. Looking at putting sediment back on farm fields; not legal to put on wetlands.

The US Corp of Engineering came up to look at possible projects/solutions that can be pursued on the lake. After being on the lake they adjourned to a meeting site where an issue arose as to whether it was an "open" meeting or closed. Police were called to investigate. While this may have been an issue the negative impact that has arisen between LSID and LSA is unfortunate. Both groups have been formed to help land/property owners and cooperation is a must.

Ruth moved, seconded by Shawn to adjourn. Adjournment 8:56.

Respectfully submitted: Joan V. Pape