

**North Long Lake Association  
P.O. Box 54  
Merrifield, MN 56465**

**Board of Directors Meeting @ Merrifield Marathons Club house**

**Date: Thursday, May 9, 2019**

**Call to Order:** President Bill Schmidt called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM.

**Roll Call:**

**Present— Present—**Bill Schmidt--President, Tom Peterson--Secretary, Sandy Loney--Vice President, Jim Anderson-Treasurer, Harris Goldstein, Tom Gerrety, Al Hanson, Jim Cook, (newly elected member Karri Purcotte)

**Absent:** Doug Hohman, Josh Duerr

**Approval of minutes:**

- Approval for Meeting of April 18, 2019 —**Motion to Approve minutes by:** Tom Peterson  
**Second by:** Jim Anderson **Motion Carried.**

**New members:** Karri Purcott was introduced again from the April meeting and following discussion a **Motion to nominate Karri Purcotte to fill a vacancy on the NLLA board of Directors in accordance with the by-laws** made by Jim Cook **Seconded by:** Jim Anderson—**Motion carried** Welcome Karri!

**Treasurers report:**

- Income for April 2019 was \$790.74, including AIS income of \$335, membership dues of \$455, and interest income of \$.74. Expenses for the month \$596.58, including \$82.58 for Curly Leaf Treatment notification, \$500 donated to Minnesota Lakes and Rivers Advocates and \$14 Property Tax. Net gain was thus \$194.16. The association has total equity of \$90,520.08 with \$85,812.96 in the General Fund and \$4,707.12 in the AIS fund.
- The bank statement is reconciled with QuickBooks through April 30, 2019.

**Motion to approve treasurer's report, pending audit, by:** Sandy Loney **Second by:** Al Hanson  
**Motion Carried**

**Membership Report:**

- Paid memberships for 2019 as of April 30, 2019 total 359 with 216 also contributing to the AIS fund. We had 1 person pay 2 years membership, so we have 1 paid membership for 2020.

**Communications:**

- President Schmidt wanted the minutes to reflect the outstanding issue of the Spring NLLA newsletter as edited by Communications chair Harris Goldstein
- Suggested by Board that we send out copies of newsletter to other Lake associations as we have received copies from Gull and Pelican associations

- Need to make final push for the Roadside clean up on Saturday, May 18 @8:00 AM at the monument—coffee and donuts to be furnished by the association to all volunteers
- Water Safety course has a dozen sign ups for June 19, registration at 8:00 AM and class starting promptly at 8:30. Sandy will publicize at Forestview week of May 13.
- We continue to receive calls on Bogs—we are not in bog removal business, but we do have a lake wide permit for 2019 from DNR to move and secure any bogs—any board member can authorize
- Suggestion to replace fishing contest with a photo contest
- Discussion on NLLA swag availability—how much have we sold and how to promote—Jim Cook to check on what has been sold—suggest giving small label promoting web site at annual meeting.

**AIS Director position:** We still have a person interested in pursuing training –President Schmidt to follow-up as it was hoped that the person would be at tonight’s meeting.

**PLM recommendations:** Al Hanson reported that treatment of 2.5 acres in Merrifield Bay is scheduled and will take place when conditions are favorable. Permits and Notification of property owners is done. Look to take pictures on an annual basis during survey and herbicide application.

**Water testing:** Al Hanson reported that we are set to go with Sarah from AW research. First sampling to take place near end of May at same locations as in the past.

**Water safety training - June 19<sup>th</sup>:** Set to go at Northern Cowboy. Has been publicized on DNR and Crow Wing county websites.

**Roadside clean up on 371 – May 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am:** Sandy Loney reports everything is set for this—really need to work on getting more volunteers. Meet at 8 AM for coffee and donuts and start cleanup at 8:30.

**Camera’s – night operation @ 371 only for now – looking into multiple viewers:** Cameras were installed, and monitoring began during week of May 6. Installed cement base at 371 bay access. Current cameras can handle low light and looking to set up light at Merrifield bay and test. Just a note that there were no observed violations in 2018 with over 11,000 reviewed boat launches.

**Calendar of events:** Reviewed the events planned for May 2019—as noted above.

**Annual Meeting/picnic:** President Schmidt reviewed the Picnic Planning guide for 2019—some highlights

- Josh Duerr will take over door prize and silent auction organization—reviewed lists of business to contact and need to use a shared Google Doc that Josh is setting up to record prizes and any new prospects
- Legionville main building is reserved—set up will need to be Friday evening this year
- For election—Al Hanson, Tom Peterson, Harris Goldstein and Jim Cook’s positions are up for election to a 3-year term—need to get Bio’s to Harris in near future if running for election
- Tables will be available for AW labs, Crow wing Co Sherriff,
- Re assigned duties for cooking and Membership check in

**Other items:**

- **Cozy Corner Association Wi-Fi:** Association is upgrading to cable and will give us a dedicated channel for use with the Camera at Merrifield Landing. Discussion on how Board could contribute to association with possible landscape donations. To be discussed further next month.

- **2<sup>nd</sup> Dues notification:** Decided to have it go out like last year after Annual meeting
- **MN Lakes & Rivers Advocates:** Annual meeting is June 17 and 18 in Walker—President Schmidt plans to attend and encourages any other interested members to do so as well.

**Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by:** Jim Cook **Second by:** Jim Anderson **Motion Approved.** Adjournment at 8:05 PM.

**Next meeting:** Thursday, June 13, 2019 at Marathoners. Time: 6:30 PM.