

Comfort Lakes Association Board Meeting
June 2, 2022 6:30 pm
Via Zoom

Minutes

President Jeanine Hansen called meeting to order at 6:33 pm

Members present:

Jeanine Hansen

Sharon Sill

Dave Freemore

Bill Keilty

Chris Roche

Mike Motzko

Jackie Anderson

Tom Hobday

Mike Crepeau

Members Absent:

Dick Berglund

Guests:

None

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was emailed to members prior to the meeting. Jeanine moved to accept the agenda; Dave seconded. The agenda was approved.

Secretary's Report

Minutes from the May 5, 2022 meeting had been emailed to Board members for review prior to the meeting. Dave moved to approve the May minutes. Bill seconded; Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Jeanine presented the Treasurer's Report in Dick's absence. Dick had emailed the report to members prior to the meeting. As of May 31, 2022 we have 61 paid members for 2022. This compares to a total of 65 for the entire year of 2021.

Balances in accounts as of 5/31/2022 are:

General Fund \$ 14,343.29;

Walleye Stocking Program \$ 0.00;

Milfoil Treatment Program \$ 1,691.75

Total Balance: \$ 16,035.04

Bill moved to accept the Treasurer's report; Mike M. seconded; Treasurer's report was accepted.

There was discussion about reaching out to 2021 members who did not rejoin. We decided the first attempt will be to draft a short email to them and attach the initial membership letter. Mike M. said he would contact those individuals who live on E Comfort Dr. Sharon will draft the email and send to Jeanine for review.

Jackie will forward notice of the next meeting to the individual from Little Comfort Lake who expressed an interest in joining the Board.

Agenda Items:

Eurasian Water Milfoil Project Team Update

- The **Point Intercept Survey** by Blue Water Science is scheduled for week of June 6, 2022. Treatment can begin shortly after that. This survey is required before and after treatment. It includes all vegetation, not just milfoil.
- The CLFLWD staff will be on the lake the week of June 6 to determine the thermocline as that depth will determine how much chemical Lakes Management will put in the lake.
- We are about two weeks later in the process than anticipated due to the colder weather.
- **Communication:** We will be diligent with communication to members and the community about this project. Before treatment starts we will email members; have notices on our Facebook page; the CLA website and send flyers to lakeshore residents. We will plan to contact local newspapers. Perhaps through Facebook and the CLA website we can provide monthly updates.
- **Funding:** The point intercept survey is a separate cost from the treatment expenses. However, the CLFLWD has \$ 10,000 budgeted for that for Comfort Lake in that information is wanted by the watershed district apart from the treatment program, so that is not an expense CLA will incur.
- **Funding Breakdown: Total cost is approximately \$53,000 to \$60,000.** DNR Grant: \$ 25,000; CLFLWD Grant: \$15,000 (anticipated. To be voted on at 6/24 CLFLWD meeting); Balance is between \$13,000 to \$20,000. CLA tentatively plans to contribute around \$10,000. We know there are additional contingency grants to which we can apply totaling \$15,000. Money does not need to be paid until August so decision will be made closer to that time as to our contribution.

July 4 Boat Parade

- We discussed the parade and assigned tasks: The Parade will be July 4, 2022 at 2:00 pm.
- Flyer – Dick (Jeanine will help)
- Registration - Jeanine check with Cary Miller
- Bomb Pops and dry ice – Mike C. check with Bruce's. Jeanine to hand out Bomb pops from her pontoon as she goes around the lake in the parade. She will be the last boat in the parade.
- Photographer – Sharon will find someone
- Judges – Mike M. find judges
- Prizes -- Large and small craft categories (Dick – certificates; Dave – wood burning awards)

Aluminum Can Collection Fund Raiser Update

- Jackie got the OK from National Recycling for us to get a big cage to collect cans and use as a fund raiser.
- We need to find a place to put it. There were three possible options we came up with. Jackie and Jeanine were going to explore them.
- We hope this will be an ongoing source of revenue – potentially \$ 5,000 to \$10,000 annually depending on the price of aluminum.

Hallberg Arts Center – (Pure Comfort Exhibit

- Mike and Dave are continuing to work on this and will keep us updated.

Up the Creek Meats

- We decided to table this discussion. Unfortunately, all the farms participating in this program are far away from us.

Mike M. moved to adjourn the meeting. Bill seconded. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Next Board Meeting will be to finalize July 4 Boat Parade plans only

June 30, 2022, at 6:30 pm.

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