

**Comfort Lakes Association Board Meeting**  
**October 5, 2023 6:30 pm**  
**Via Zoom**  
**Minutes**

President Jackie Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:38 pm

**Members present:**

Jackie Anderson  
Mike Motzko  
Dick Berglund  
Sharon Sill  
Dave Freemore  
Mike Crepeau  
Chris Roche  
Tom Hobday

**Members Absent:**

Bill Keilty  
Jeanine Hansen

**Guests:**

None

**Approval of Agenda** - Board members did not have items to add. Agenda was approved.

**Secretary's Report:** Sharon had emailed minutes from the September 7, 2023 meeting to Board members for review. Suggested additions were made. The final draft was then emailed again prior to the meeting. Mike C. moved to approve the last draft of the minutes. Mike M. seconded. Minutes were approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Dick presented the Treasurer's Report as of 10/5//2023  
CLA has 47 paid members. (There were 66 on 12/31/2022).

Current Cash Balances:

General Fund:	9,695.40
Fish Stocking Fund:	525.00
Milfoil Treatment Fund:	220.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 10,440.40</b>

Sharon moved to approve the Treasurer's Report; Dave seconded. Treasurer's report was approved.

Members of the CLA sold a kayak for \$ 100, then told the buyers to donate the \$100 to CLA rather than giving the sellers the money. Jackie will write a thank you from CLA to the sellers.

## **AGENDA ITEMS:**

### **New Business**

#### **Resolution for exempt status for Non Profit 501(c) (3) entity at Federal and State level**

Jackie researched the requirements for federal and state reporting by nonprofit entities and learned that due to our level of monetary contributions (government grants do not count towards the total of contributions), CLA is exempt from reporting. In order to get the total exempt status at the state level, we need to adopt a resolution saying that we fall under the exempt category and submit that resolution with a request for exempt status. A modified report called a "postcard" will need to be filed at the federal level.

Mike Motzko moved that we adopt the attached RESOLUTION Declaring Exempt Status under 501 (c) (3). Tom Hobday seconded the motion. The secretary did a roll call vote as follows:

Manager Jackie Anderson, President – yes.	Mike Crepeau, Manager - yes
Manager Mike Motzco, Vice President – yes.	Tom Hobday, Manager – yes
Manager Sharon Sill, Secretary – yes.	William Keilty, Manager - Absent
Manager Richard Berglund, Treasurer – yes.	Chris Roche, Manager - Yes
David Freemore, Assistant Secretary – Absent.	Jeanine Hansen, Manager – Absent

The RESOLUTION was adopted. Jackie will submit the Resolution and request for exempt status.

### **Old Business**

#### **Chisago County Grant Program**

- A September expense of approximately \$3,200 was incurred for the treatment of the few

areas of milfoil regrowth. This expense will be fully reimbursed from the Chisago County Grant program. Jackie plans to submit the reimbursement request Monday (October 9) and hopes reimbursement will come by the end of October.

- Newsletter – topics. We had discussed topics for the CLA newsletter last month. If Board members have additional ideas they should email Jackie.
- Quote from Rapid Press on CLA logo items. Jackie got a quote from this local printer on various items, including banners which could be reused, such as for the parade, low wake notices etc. We discussed other ideas such as wind sox, flags, stickers, lawn signs. We also discussed whether we should have a CLA membership sign – whatever it is, should be on the street or lake side or both. We will take this issue up again and think about how much money should be devoted to such items.
- U of MN zebra mussel update. Does CLA want to be an annual partner in this effort? Scientists from the U picked up the plates on September 23. The heaviest clumps of mussels were at Keiltys' and Hobdays' which make sense given the mussels would move with the current. The plates which were put out on August 10 had nothing on them. This is likely because the mussels quit growing when the water becomes colder. The U is doing research on how to treat lakes which have the zebra mussels. The consensus of the Board members was that we would like to continue to be part of the U study and have even more plates put out and distributed as evenly around the lake as possible. Sharon should send an email asking members to take pictures of their docks/boat lifts as they are taken out of the lake to give an indication as to quantity of zebra mussels we have and in which parts of the lake they are most prominent.

Mike C moved to Adjourn; Mike M. Seconded. **Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm**

**Next CLA Board Meeting – November 2, 2023 at 6:30 via ZOOM**