

Meeting called to order at 7:31 pm.

Board members present: Gary Goldblatt, Jeanne Peterson, Lynda Throm, Ed Meltzer, Jeri Swanson, Cliff Gartner, Brian Wawrzyniak, Tom Truffer, & Dave Kruse.

Minutes of November 2018 meetings approved with typos corrected. Motion by J. Peterson, seconded by T. Truffer

President's Report: G. Goldblatt explained the need for a Oktoberfest Captain to come forward soon. He reminded board members to follow the budget and work towards moving money into reserves.

Vice President Report: J. Peterson explained that the Amended Rules and Regulations and Corrective Amended Declarations & By-Laws have been completed and uploaded to SLIA.net. She has also made a binder documenting SLIA's property surveys and encroachments.

Treasury Report: E. Meltzer reported that annual assessments have been sent out and the first batch of checks have been deposited. In reviewing the Year End Profit-Loss Balance, accountant fees were double expected due to not having a Treasurer for the majority of the year. There are 4 people who have not paid 2018's assessment and they have been accruing late fees every 60 days. The board is moving forward with the process of gathering assessment fees as designed. Additionally there is one person who has not sent in leases for their 3 rental properties since requested in June. Following the process, the owner did not attend today's meeting for a hearing and the board will be following through with the \$40 per property per month fee beginning this month.

Beach Report: C. Gartner reported the beach looks much improved with the new policy of no boats there during winter.

Lake Report: T. Truffer explained that he would like to join the Illinois Lake Management Association in order to use scientific data to keep the lake healthy. J. Swanson reported trying to join last year but was unable to. T. Truffer to further explore this option.

Parks & Easements Report: J. Swanson explained that Josh MacKay will be building a small footbridge by the mouth of Maple Bay for his Eagle Scout by the end of April. If approved by the Boy Scouts, Mark Anderson will be mentoring and supervising the project. Josh is looking into getting sponsorship for supplies. ILM will start working on the Maple shoreline project at the end of February and Fremont Township is donating about \$2000 worth of coconut rolls for the project. Tori Trauscht, Indian Creek Watershed founder, will assist in teaching what to seed along the 280 feet.

Recreation Report: D. Kruse reported he is working on a calendar for the recreation activities for the year and collaborating with the Garden Club to do so.

Special Projects: B. Wawrzyniak reported there have been no new boat permit requests this year. There is still one unidentified kayak that needs to be taken care of. He explained that the plexiglass was blown off the message board in Bjorkland; the is due to a latch that is not quite tight enough.

New Business: J. Swanson, B. Wawrzyniak, and member Donn Hamm attended a meeting at the township recently regarding the dam. The township thinks they will likely begin repairs on the dam this September. It will take 6-9 working months to complete and the Highland entrance will be closed for the duration of the project. Bill Grinell and Herb can attend the March SLIA meeting to address any questions members may have about the project.

Members forum: Debbie Wawrzyniak attended. She asked about contacting neighboring lake communities about rehoming some fish during dam construction. She also asked about the phone at the beach and it was explained that due to Illinois regulations a phone line has to be on our public beach.

Next regular board meeting scheduled: February 20, 2019 7:30pm.

Close of meeting motioned by L. Throm, seconded by B. Wawrzyniak. Meeting unanimously adjourned at 8:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynda Throm, Secretary