

Minutes of Silver Springs Lake Association Board Meeting

October 28, 2021

5:02 pm

The Meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm. Present: Ray Braun, Trudy Kemps, Dave Govek, Mike Fisher and Mary Gizewski. By phone, Tom Joseph and Terry Klaves. Bob Noga was also present at the end of the meeting to talk about the minnows and fish stocking.

1. MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING – Minutes from the 09/23/2021 board meeting were sent via email and read by each board member. Trudy moved to approve the minutes; Ray seconded. Motion carried.
2. TREASURERS REPORT – Trudy presented the Balance Sheet as of October 27, 2021. The balance is still healthy. Trudy also presented the Profit and Loss effective October 27, 2021. The expenses were the PO Box fee, water samples and stamps, new LED Lights for the entrance, the Poker Run expenses, and UW Stevens Point for testing. Ray moved to approve the reports and Mike seconded. Motion carried. Trudy suggested we give \$500 toward the Christmas Party this year, since we did not have one last year, due to COVID. Everyone agreed. Trudy will notify the appropriate party. Trudy also indicated that Joyce will again have the check book over the winter and will write checks as required. Joyce will also have the Safe Deposit Box key in case that is needed.
3. ARCHITECTURAL REPORT – No report. No one has called Ray about improvements.
4. CLEAN WATER COMMITTEE – Terry Klaves reported on a perceived Ditch issue. Tim Krenz continues to say that soil is running into our lake through the Inlet. Tim indicated that Hidden Springs has problems as well and their outlet is plugged now. Terry indicated it was his “understanding that Hidden Springs is having trouble with their outlet since, reportedly, Jim Emmerich raised the elevation of his ditch which is fed by the Hidden Springs outlet and is now backed up and plugged.” Tim questions if Jim Emmerich pulled a permit to do what he did on his property. Ray reported that Jim said he did pull a permit. Ray saw a DRN truck and individuals inspecting the ditch. Ray can look to see if he pulled a permit, as it is public record. Tom wants to know if the ditch is causing the sediment to go to the lake. Ray says we cannot know what is causing it. Mike indicated Jim Emmerich had an erosion control measure, the hay bales. However, Jim took the hay bales out a few days after he completed the ditch. Terry thinks the board should do something about the water flowage as it relates to erosion. Terry “thanked the Board for looking into this matter, we have fertilizers, weed and sediment coming into our lake from several sources.” Trudy asked Tom to talk to Bill Boehnlein, Jim Emmerich and Ray Braun to get complete information about the Inlet. There is a high probability that erosion is coming from the ditch on OUR side. Tom will call Bill, discuss the issue and then contact Tim. DASH – Mike will do research over the winter on this topic. Terry is asking the Board to send an Email to lake owners informing them that the Board spends a substantial amount of money on weed control in the lake.
5. FISH STOCKING – The fish will be delivered soon. Ray and Dave completed the new screening for the outlet so no fish will go out. Minnows will cost \$3,000 to \$5,000. Tom would like to put in \$2,000 of fat head minnows. This would be 325 lbs. All agreed. Tom will get together with Ray and get the minnows at the best price. Minnows are a Spring project. We will table the minnow purchase until next year.
6. OLD BUSINESS –
 - Sign Painting** – the Board decided to paint the sign and purchase new letters.
 - Outlet** – Based on the video, Ray recommended to reline or replace. Nothing much can get through anymore with the new screen. This item should be shelved until next year per Tom. The video turned out very well and provided information on which the Board can rely and make a good decision in the spring.
 - Repair of frontage road.** Mike will get an estimate from Kelly. Asphalt laying will stop soon due to cold weather. We will take up this issue next Spring.

Mass Mailing – Trudy recently sent out a mass mailing using the new mass mailing email address. Trudy will call the last six people who have not responded to the question contained in the email, which was respond if you have received the email to verify all the owners received it. This mass mailing feature will save the Association money.

Weed cutter Tom did not do anything to find out who might purchase the weed cutter from us. **Pier** in disrepair. Tom did not successfully contact the owner but will send a letter.

Snow Plowing - Jodi Reetz is our contractor. Ray will call Mike Carberry for the contact information and make sure he is available again this year to do it.

Muskrat Trapper - Ray said he will come next week. Trudy will send an email regarding this. The trapper is charging \$8 per rat.

Fish Stocking/Minnow Purchase - Bob Noga came at the end of the meeting to talk about minnows. His research indicated that 100 to 125 lbs. of minnows are required per acre. He brought many articles he had gathered on this topic. Bob suggested we do the minnows but skip the walleyes next year and then double up the walleyes the next year. Bob says stocking will take place when the water is the right temperature. 325 lbs. will be wasting money. We will table the minnow purchase until next spring.

7. NEW BUSINESS

The road damage between Lot 116 and 117 was fixed.

Trudy got a call from the Cedar Springs Board. They are planning a Rummage Sale June 4th of 2022.

They would like us to join them. We would split the advertising. The group thought it would be a good idea.

A November newsletter is due. Tom will write one. Several topics were suggested, one is what the Board does to treat the weeds, and a warning about thin ice when ice fishing.

Ray moved to adjourn the meeting; Mike seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m. The next meeting will be in April 2022 at the Kemps residence.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Gizewski, Secretary