

# **Lamoka-Waneta Lakes Association – Board of Directors Meeting**

**May 18, 2019**

**Meeting called to order at 9:57 a.m. by Vice President, Bill Hassoldt**

**Present:** Calvin Barnstead, Kurt Bischoff, Cartha Conklin, Ron Dixon, Terry Fisk, Sean Fitzpatrick, Claud Gingrich, Gary Gray, Bill Hassoldt, Corinne Julian, Kevin Morris, Chuck Rybak, Gordon Shafer, Ed Sharpe, Mary Tucker, Tom Webb, Paula Wright, Jay White

**Absent:** Patrick Allison, Terry Allison, Al Buckland, Rick Game, Al Gerth, Heidi Gerth, Dene Karaus, Wayne Lynch, Joan Rybak, Ray Stebbins, Carolee Thatcher

Minutes of the April 27, 2019 Board of Director's Meeting was approved as presented.

## **President's Report:**

Bill welcomed back the "snow birds" to the Board.

Jay explained why Bill was chairing the meeting. Originally Jay had a previous commitment and would not be able to attend the meeting, but at the last minute it was cancelled and Bill was already set to chair the meeting so he felt it should go as planned!

Bill introduced Paul Reiser, Town of Tyrone Historian. Paul gave his presentation to the Board that he would be presenting to the LWLA Spring Public Meeting. Paul explained that he concentrates on Waneta Lake and there was another individual who specializes on Lamoka Lake. The Board appreciated the time Paul put into the presentation and felt that it was extremely informative and interesting. It was decided that Paul would present at the Spring LWLA Public Meeting and in the Fall the presentation would concentrate on Lamoka Lake.

**Minutes of the April 27<sup>th</sup> LWLA Board of Directors were approved as written.**

**Vice President/Membership Report:** Corinne reported that Membership is up and it was discovered that a page of paid members was overlooked, which she apologized to those individuals for not receiving their membership packet and that she will finish mailing them out next week. Due to the fact that membership is up she also ran out of the Spring Newsletter and had 50 more printed in anticipation of new members at the Spring LWLA Public Meeting, May 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Treasurer's Report:** Corinne presented the LWLA Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2019

Checking Account Balance-- \$955.16

Savings Account Balance-- \$38,846.11

Total Fixed Assets -- \$7,363.58

Total Assets: \$47,164.85

Treasurer's report approved as presented.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Lake Treatment:** Gordon reported that Dennis had talked with DEC and Glenn Sullivan from Solitude Lake Management. Due to Dennis having health issues, Glenn has done the majority of the work on the application, which required an immense amount of time and paperwork. Gordon recommended that the LWLA reimburse Glenn for his time and had asked the Board to consider setting aside \$1,000-\$2,000 as a fair amount of reimbursement. Gordon has asked Glenn to submit a figure that he feels would compensate him for all his time, effort, and talent in securing the approval of the treatment.

Gordon reported they received a notice two days ago from DEC telling us the application is complete. Letters will be sent out to residents affected by the treatment. The notice will also be submitted to the newspaper next week and there will be a 30 days waiting period which gives time for people to respond.

The draw down will be at the summer level of 1098.5 and the treatment will take place in late June or early July due to the fact that ProcellaCOR was a late approval by the DEC, thus the delay in treatment.

Gordon also explained that we are able to treat 132 acres with ProcellaCOR as opposed to 98 acres of Renovate.

While speaking to Peggy Norry about dredging the channel and/or individual's lake frontage, she explained to Gordon they do issue a lot of cleanup of canals and lake frontage and all you need to do is file an application. The DEC cannot do anything until an application is filed. Board suggested that the topic be added to the Spring LWLA Public Meeting.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Clothing:** Chuck reported they have a new supplier that purchased the old supplier and they are located in Dundee. Due to the recent purchase the inventory at the LWLA Spring Public Meeting will be last year's inventory, which is a sufficient inventory

**Environmental Impacts:** Barry sent the following report: *I spoke with Glenn Sullivan regarding the remediation of the channel between the lakes. He suggested the first step would be to map the channel as to its depth and width. Next determine what depth and width would be our goal. At that point, Solitude Lake Management could give us a quote and we could start communicating with the DEC who would probably require a dredging permit as well as a wetland permit. He thought DEC would prefer removal of material as opposed to shifting it on site. Barry is looking for suggestions on how to map the channel. Also, is anyone interested in volunteering to help accomplish that.*

The Board recommended that a signup sheet for volunteers to serve on Barry's committee be present at the LWLA Public Spring meeting on May 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Golf Tournament:** Gary requested the Board approve \$500 for the 2019 Golf Tournament expenses. Gary made a motion the LWLA Board approve the \$500 to the LWLA Golf Tournament for expenses. Kevin seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

The Tyrone Masonic Lodge approached Gary to sponsor a hole for their Golf Tournament. A sponsorship sign would be placed on the hole advertising the LWLA. Board suggested that membership application forms be available at their golf tournament advertising the LWLA. Al made a motion to approve \$100 to sponsor a hole at the Tyrone Masonic Lodge Tournament. Seconded by Cartha. Motion Carried.

**Goose Control:** Kevin reported that the application is in and he should hear back in 30-60 days. Anyone interested in being included on the permit to let Kevin know. The Board recommended a signup sheet be provided for any LWLA members who would like to be included on the permit sign up at the LWLA Spring Public Meeting.

**Lake Level:** Jay reported, in Rick's absence, that there was a meeting with NYSEG and their concern is getting the 1098.5 through the DEC. Jay and Rick are working to change the dates of draw down. The old policy states that draw down cannot be done before December, even though in the past we have done it in October. The new head of the department is adhering to the written policy, which is outdated, and will only change if the policy is changed. An update will be given at the June meeting.

**Lake Testing:** Ron will start next week and will test each lake once a week.

**Pancake Breakfast:** Ed did not have the signup sheets, but recommended that a signup sheet be available at the LWLA Spring Public Meeting on May 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Steuben/Schuyler Water Quality Reps:** Cartha said there was nothing new to report.

**DEC 2019-2020 Community Grants Program.** Terry updated the Board on the Grant Process. He had his wife look over the program, as she is familiar with grant writing. Her recommendation is this is not something we can do with the time frame. The Grant must be submitted by May 31<sup>st</sup>. The Grant must include an educational and community piece. Terry suggested that at one of our past meetings we had asked the Environmental Committee look into Nitrogen and Phosphorous elements leaching in from the farm lands, and Terry believed we could apply for the grant next year to address this issue along with what happens with fishing boats coming in and out of our lakes. We could possibly request the money to have the testing done by a professional company that will allow us to go to the DEC and educate the residents on the runoff from the farmlands.

Board recommended that we begin to formulate the program to be ready for next year's grant.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Terry showed the Name Tags he had done for the LWLA Board Members to be worn at the LWLA Spring and Fall Public Meetings.
- Jay informed the Board that he had been asked to meet with the Sylvan Beach Lake Association. They had asked Jay if there was a fund balance in the Lake District Budget to address future projects in the district. Gordon and other Board Members assured Jay there was no fund balance in the budget.
- Sean presented the Board with the idea that the LWLA offer a one year free membership to new property owners. As a new realtor representative, he discovered that the Keuka Lake Association gives a free membership to new property owners. Sean was not sure who pays for the membership—the lake association or his local real estate office. Sean will look further into the process as to when the membership application is given to the new property owner, is it only for first time property owners or property owners purchasing a multiple property. Sean will report back to the Board with the answers. Chuck will also look into the Elmira/Corning area to see if this is something they offer or are interested in offering to new LWLA property owners.
- Sean also updated the Board on the LWLA Trading Post Website. We are still trying to change people's attitude to use the trading post just for selling, buying, advertising and not the LWLA website. Sean is monitoring the website and notifies the individual that they should be posting on the LWLA Trading Post Website. Second time the individual posts on the wrong site it will be taken down.
- **Pontoon Palooza T-Shirt** proposed by Rose Werner, LWLA resident. Rose submitted her proposal to sell Pontoon Palooza T-Shirts that she found a website and made up a design with the profits going to the LWLA. The cost of the shirts is \$18 and she would sell them on line for \$28 and \$10 would go to LWLA. Chuck explained to the Board that a Pontoon Palooza T-Shirt is already sold by the LWLA and has been for the last 3 years and our shirts were sold for less. The Board decided that this was not something they wanted to pursue at this time since we already have an inventory of Pontoon Palooza shirts.

**Other Business:** There being no other business the meeting closed at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Mary Kay Tucker, LWLA Secretary*