# **Little Sand Lake Area Association**

(LSLAA)

## **ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES**

**Annual Meeting Date: June 13, 2020** 

## Virtual/Zoom Meeting

Minutes are considered draft until approved at the next meeting, which will be held June 2021.

**DRAFT MINUTES** 

Board Members Present: (If x'd, the member was present)

- X MaJeana Hallstrom, President
- \_X\_Punky Catlin, Treasurer
- X Cindy Nollette, Secretary
- X Glenn Gapp, Director at Large
- X Mark Doda, Director at Large
- X Larry Odegard, Director at Large
- \_X\_Wayne Swanson, Director at Large
- X Steve Trutna, Director at Large
- X Christine Hobrough, Director at Large

Start of Meeting: 8:31 am via Zoom . The meeting was recorded and will be available for viewing at a later date.

#### Agenda:

Welcome and Call to Order - MaJeana Hallstrom, President

Due to COVID-19 The Little Sand Lake Association President and Board opted for a virtual meeting via Zoom. *Jacob Nollette* was the Zoom coordinator for the meeting. A "trial run" was held prior to the meeting and a tutorial was led by *Jacob Nollette* and *Mark Doda* prior to the meeting start on June 13, 2020.

The meeting was recorded. A quorum was noted for voting. All voting was done via the Poll feature on Zoom.

### Secretary's Report - Cindy Nollette, Secretary

- The Secretary's report was previously sent to *MaJeana Hallstrom* for review. *MaJeana* sent the report to all LSLAA members prior to the meeting.
- The Secretary's report was approved by a Polled Vote. The report was approved by 100% of the participating attendees.

## Treasurer's Report and Membership Information - Charlotta (Punky) Catlin, Treasurer

- Punky reviewed the current report, including expenses and the current balance. Punky provided a document that was viewed via PowerPoint.
- At this time, we have 66 current members that have paid. Out of every dues payment \$20 goes to the general fund and \$15 goes to AIS.
- We have approximately 160 parcels on the lake (potential members). Historically we get approximately 110 members/year. We typically get additional members to pay at the annual meeting. We will attempt to have members renew their memberships and recruit new members as we can.
- At this time our proposed expenses are \$5404. IF we had all members pay, we would take in \$5600. Therefore there is a \$1300 deficit. It is hoped that additional membership dues will be collected and that the donations above and beyond dues we take in will continue to make up the difference which would allow LSLAA to sustain the break-even point with our budget.
- We two CDs that are reserved as emergency funds for any unforeseen AIS needs, such as an infestation of AIS. We currently have \$10,818.82 in our checking account; and the Board plans to place some of that in a CD so we can increase our emergency fund, especially given recent infestations of Eurasian Milfoil and zebra mussels in lakes close to Little Sand.
- We had a Poll Vote to accept the Treasurer's Report. 100% of the attending members accepted the Treasurer's Report.

### **Unfinished Business - Healthy Lake Report**: Wayne Swanson

- **Boat Launch Inspections** The boat launch inspections were delayed a week due to COVID and the resulting training delays. State funding for the inspections was reduced by 20%.
- **AIS Update** There is nothing new to report on AIS at Little Sand Lake. A few area lakes are being watched for possible invasive species.
- **COLA Grant** There are a number of grant opportunities available through COLA. These grants can be used for things like shore restoration (a buffer for the water runoff going into the lake. The Hubbard County COLA website has details on the grant and the application process.

**Eyes on the Water** - Volunteers around the lake are again monitoring for Zebra Mussels. A device is hung from a dock to monitor if Zebra Mussels attach to the device. The devices are strategically placed around the lake to pick up any potential infestation.

#### Restore the Shore - MaJeana Hallstrom

Little Sand Lake residents have an opportunity to order trees. We will watch for this opportunity and pass on the information to lake residents around September/October. Typically you order the trees in the fall and pick the trees up in May.

**Committee Updates** - MaJeana thanked all of the committee members and volunteers for contributing to the Little Sand community.

## Social Committee - Phyllis Trutna

The annual 4th of July boat parade is planned again this year. Those interested in participating will meet near Zorbaz. The Little Sand Lake Association picnic is usually held in August. We are uncertain at this time if the picnic can be held or in what capacity due to COVID-19.

### Membership/Welcome Packets - Amy Tronsgard

Amy has provided Welcome packets to new residents on the lake. Please let Amy or MaJeana know if anyone new moves to the lake so we can get them a packet.

#### Communication/Education -

#### Newsletter - Luanne O'Neill

We will look at having a newsletter this summer. If anyone is interested in submitting articles let *MaJeana* know.

- **Website** *Diane Smith* has been managing the website. There is discussion about how to best manage the website over time. *Jacob Nollette* has expressed an interest in helping out with the site. *MaJeana* and *Diane* will work together with *Jacob* on reviewing what needs to be done to manage and maintain the website.
- **Directory** *Karen Netland* has been managing the directory with updates about 4 times per year. Any updates to the directory can be sent to *Karen Netland*, *MaJeana* or *Christine Hobrough*.

#### Educational Material (Kiosk) and Fishing Contest - Nancy and Mark Doda

continue to maintain the kiosk at the public access with educational material. They are also planning on the annual Little Sand Lake Fishing Contest on August 1 from 5-5:30 PM. There will be come COVID restrictions in place that they will alert us prior to the event. The entry cost is \$1.00 per person.

There will be door prizes for those that participate!

#### **Email Coordinator - Christine Hobrough**

Christine continues to manage all of LSLAA email communications. The goal is to keep

lake members educated on lake activities, events and concerns, etc. and not to overwhelm members with a high number of emails.

**Facebook** - Randi Herda continues to manage the LSLAA Facebook page.

#### **Board Members Nomination and Election - Wayne Swanson**

Wayne reviewed the current status of the board, existing members, who agreed to continue on the board and a new member.

#### Election/re-election of officers:

Steve Trutna - Vice President, up for re-election to serve 2nd term

Larry Odegard - Director at Large, up for re-election for 2nd term

Christine Hobrough - Director at Large, new to Board, up for election

Wayne Swanson - moved that we vote on the 3 candidates. *Diane* seconded the motion.

**Voting** - done via a ZOOM Poll. All candidates were voted in to serve on the board.

We need to begin the process of recruiting for MaJeana's position as Board President. MaJeana's term ends in 2021.

Mark Doda, Cindy Nollette, Glen Gapp are not up for re-election at this time.

**Appreciation** - Thank you to all who help keep the roads around the lake. Paddles were awarded to *Diane Smith* and *Karen Netland* and *Janet McMillen* and *Marshall Howe* for their dedication and service to our lake and the lake association.

#### **New Business**

**Loons** - are being monitored on the lake. Some members have seen babies!

**Directory** - We are not going to print the directory this year. We will revisit the printing options next year.

**Volunteers** - LSLAA is always looking for volunteers! Some of the areas of need are with the fishing contest (*Mark* and *Nancy Doda*), water samples (*Larry Odegard*, *Mark Doda*, *Wayne Swanson*), vegetation samples (*Marshall Howe*), DO testing (*Larry Odegard*, *Mark Doda* and *Wayne Swanson*).

**Dues** - payment of dues can be sent to our treasurer, *Punky Catlin* 

**Donations** - Due to COVID and businesses being closed it was very difficult to ask people to donate. We did receive a number of donations from Aunt Belle's, *Angela Albee* and Dorset Liquor. The LSLAA purchased and provided other prizes.

All members that paid their dues prior to the annual meeting were submitted to a drawing for the prizes. Punky chose the names. Prizes were given to Floyd Groller, Dale Johnson, Chris and Dee Goperrude (sic), David and Christine Horbrough, Dennis and Carol Winslowski, Mark and Nancy Doda, Diane Johnson, Glenn and Julie Gapp, Amy

Sorenson, Jeff and Terry Madsen, Paul and Lori Fisher, Thomas Linge, Steve and Phyllis Trutna, Mary Bowman

## Little Sand Lake Apparel - Angela Albee

Angela Albee discussed the option of purchasing apparel and merchandise with a number of Little Sand Logos and designs. Angela can be reached at <a href="mailto:angela@adwearpromo.com">angela@adwearpromo.com</a> for questions or to order merchandise.

End of meeting: 9:40 am

Respectfully Submitted;

Cindy Nollette, Secretary