Little Sand Lake Association Annual Meeting June 12, 2021

In person at Zorbaz, online via Zoom

Start of meeting: 8:31 AM

### **Board Members Present:**

- \_X\_ MaJeana Hallstrom, President
- \_X\_ Charlotta "Punky" Catlin, Treasurer
- \_X\_ Cindy Nollette, Secretary
- X Wayne Swanson, COLA Representative, Past President and Board member
- \_X\_ Mark Doda, Director at Large
- \_X\_ Steve Trutna, Director at Large (Via Zoom)
- \_X\_ Larry Odegard, Director at Large
- Glen Gapp, Director at Large
- \_X\_ Christine Hobrough, Director at Large, President Elect (Via Zoom)

Jacob Nollette, Zoom Coordinator

The annual meeting was recorded. Recording available by contact Jacob Nollette (jacob@jacobnollette.com)

Welcome and Call to Order: MaJeana Hallstrom, President

Secretary's Report: Cindy Nollette

Maggi Yerkes noted that the Board meeting notes from last year (2020) need to be amended to reflect that Christine Hobrough was not a board member at the time. An amendment will be made to the Board minutes of June 13, 2020. The amendment will read as follows:

AMENDMENT- At our annual Association meeting in June, 2021, Maggi Yerkes brought it to our attention that Christine Hobrough was not to be listed on the roster for board members until after this meeting. The notes reflect our acknowledgement of this error.

Vote to accept Secretary's report: Secretary's report accepted

## Treasurer's Report- Punky Catlin

Punky indicated that we currently have 103 membership payments with two additional this morning prior to the annual meeting. Punky thanked the Association for the renewal of memberships and the generous donations. Our online format is helping with the membership renewal process.

The Lake Association Directory was updated and printed copies were distributed at the meeting. Additional directories can be purchased for \$6. The directory is also available online.

Our account was reconciled through May 31, 2021. The Little Sand Lake Association checkbook is reconciled every month, "to the penny".

Transactions through May, 2021 were identified. \$11,940.89 was carried over from our April, 2021 balance. After all of our May, 2021 transactions our balance is \$13,156.17.

AIS expenses are our biggest throughout the year and are noted in the January transactions.

The Association Board attempts to use our money wisely. We will move money as we deem it beneficial, such as our recent purchases of additional CD's. We took \$5,000 from our General Fund and purchased an additional CD in October 2020. Our current CD balance is \$8,634.66.

Year-end report: balance \$8,189 brought forward from 2020.

MaJeana added that the CD's are a type of an emergency fund. For example if we would get an AIS we want funds to assist with the management of the issue on the lake. Of the \$35 we collect for our membership, \$20 goes to the general fund and \$20 goes to AIS fund.

Vote to accept the Treasurer's report Treasurer's vote is approved (online and verbal vote)

# **Unfinished and Ongoing Business**

### Healthy Lake Report: Wayne Swanson, COLA rep, Board Member and Past President

Boat/Launch Inspections: this year is better than last year in that the inspectors were hired and trained before the fishing opener. We had an inspector at the Fishing Opener. We have the same inspector who is familiar with the area and our lake.

The decontamination station is open and ready for use. Suggestion: if we have friends coming to the lake they may want to go to the decontamination station. The service is free and will wash the boat or pontoon. It is located near the dump in Park Rapids.

COLA purchased 18,000 bait bags.

\$320,000 is allocated for Hubbard county for boat inspections. The lake associations contribute an additional \$110,000.

Shoreland Advisors programs via HC COLA: trained people will come out and give you advice if you want to make changes to your shoreline.

AIS Update: nothing to report on our lake. Other lakes in the area are contaminated. Zebra Mussels have been found in Long Lake. Faucet snails (deadly to waterfowl) have been found in the area.

Big Mantrap has Milfoil. AIS is being closely monitored.

What is potentially beneficial for Little Sand Lake is that the river is pretty clogged up and may filter vegetation before it ends up in our lake.

COLA Grants: there are some grant opportunities available. If you want to restore your shore, you can apply for a grant. You could visit the Hubbard County website if you want more information.

Zebra Mussel plastic tubes and monitors: for those monitoring Zebra Mussels in Little Sand, you should get them in the lake now and pull out the monitoring devices in late August/September and inspect for Zebra Mussels.

### **Eyes on the Water**

Restore the shore: Glenn Gapp runs this program. This year we had 500 trees purchased (they come from the Badoura forest).

Committees and Appreciation (identification of the different committees): Little Sand has an active volunteer and committee membership.

Social committee: Phyllis Trutna is the chair. The coffee gatherings will be restarted this year!

Directory: Karen Netland updated the directory. We will maintain the directory online as the printed version is always out of date. We are hoping to move to updates done via our website by each property owner saving time on the coordinators end and maintaining a more accurate, up to date directory.

Kiosk and fishing contest: maintained and run by Nancy and Mark Doda

Kiosk is updated by the Doda's at the boat launch

Kiosk is also where we keep the memorial plaques.

The Annual Little Sand Fishing contest will be held on July 31, 2021. Registration will start at 5:00pm-5:30pm. The cost will be \$1.00 per fisher person. The contest goes until 7:30pm. We will have many prizes to give away. We have received some wonderful donations from local businesses.

Email: Christine Hobrough

The Fourth of July boat parade starts at 9am (not 10am) near Zorbaz.

The Annual Lake Association Picnic is tentatively set for August 7 at Rob and MaJeana Hallstrom's. It will be a Hawaain theme. We will have a potluck dinner. Mary Nelson will bring lots of spam dishes!

Healthy Lake: Many on the lake help to monitor for AIS to ensure that Little Sand remains healthy. Thank you to all who help to monitor the lake!

## Thank you to the LSLAA Board Members

Wayne Swanson, Past President: has been on the board for 9 years and will be leaving the board

Mark Doda, Director at Large: has served two terms and will be leaving the board

Cindy Nollette, Secretary: has completed one term and is up for reelection

Steve Trutna, Vice President: started his second term

Larry Odegaard, Director at Large: will be serving his second year of his second term

Christine Hobrough: has completed one term and is running for President

Punky Catlin, Treasurer: for 13 years, board for 18 years, no term limits

MaJeana Hallstrom, President: has served two terms, will serve the board as past President

Glenn Gapp, Director at Large: has served one term and up for reelection

#### Vote to accept the board members

Slate of candidates was presented by Wayne Swanson

MaJeana Hallstrom is retiring from President, Christine Hobrough is running for President

Cindy Nollette is running for second term and board secretary

Karen Netland and Jane Amble are running for the board as Directors at Large

No additional nominations were received and Maggi Yerkes moved that nominations cease and the move was seconded.

All voted to carry the motion to nominate all candidates to the 2021 Board of the Little Sand Lake Association.

Comments from our new President Christine Hobrough, via Zoom.

Question posed from the Zoom audience about access to the directory on line — the Directory is password protected.

Christine thanked all of the board members and offered a special appreciation to MaJeana for all of her work. MaJeana has been involved with the lake association since 2015. She was the social committee coordinator starting in 2015. MaJeana joined the board in 2016 while continuing to serve on the Social Committee. MaJeana was elected as the board President in 2017. MaJeana acknowledged the strength of our association and commitment to the health and well being of our lake. She was pleased with the ongoing support over the last year as we had our annual meeting and our board meetings via Zoom. MaJeana is grateful for the wonderful donations that support our lake association. She shared appreciation for the success of our Zoom meetings and to Rob Swanson and his team at Zorbaz for allowing us to host our meeting this year. MaJeana is most excited about the passion that our fellow lake lovers have for monitoring our lake and to the countless volunteers that ensure a clean, safe and healthy lake. Thank you to MaJeana for your service as President of Little Sand Lake Association!

Punky acknowledged the fantastic work that MaJeana has done. To show appreciation the Stewardship award was given to MaJeana. This award is most significant as it is given to someone who has gone "up and beyond" to support the lake. MaJeana received the Stewardship paddle for all of her years of stewardship on the lake.

#### **New Business:**

Directory Status: the directory is available in print for association members that have paid. The directory is available online. It is password protected. If anyone needs the password they should contact Christine Hobrough, our email coordinator.

Volunteers needed: the association always needs volunteers. There are opportunities in all areas for a small amount of time or larger amounts if available.

Payment of Dues and donations: Mark Doda and Jacob Nollette set up an online payment solution on our website. This option allows a member to pay their dues and make any donations online.

Technology efforts by Jacob Nollette included updates to our website, establishing a Zoom format for our annual meeting last year, establishing the hybrid model for our annual meeting and setting up a payment option online.

Zorbaz/Rob Swanson and his team have been very generous to assist with the hybrid annual meeting and many generous donations to our association.

No other new business was presented.

Motion to adjourn by Wayne Swanson and seconded by Rob Hallstrom. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 AM.

Following our annual meeting: several announcements were made!

- Jim Mead is looking at selling his property
- Angela Albee has our lake logo and is able to put it on merchandise. See her for any ordering. Angela donates to the association from her sales.
- Larry and Karen Odegard make signs to put on docks, roads, cabins, etc. They have a granddaughter that makes stickers. Larry donates \$5.00 from every sign to the Association.

Prizes: Donations were gathered from area businesses. Door prizes will be selected from those who paid their dues by the meeting date. We have MANY wonderful prizes and gift certificates. Thank you for the generosity of the area businesses and to the board members who purchased additional gift certificates. See the list of all area businesses that donated.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Nollette, Secretary