

Wapogasset/Bear Trap Lake improvement Association Meeting

September 10, 2016

Meeting began at 8:00 a.m.

Welcome and introduction of guests

1. Secretary's Report

- a. No report today, as Michelle is out of town
- b. Minutes will be sent for review via email

2. Treasurers Report

- a. Financials were sent by Doug in advance of meeting for review
- b. Airboat grant of \$5000 was given to the Fire Dept. They have reported that no deposit has been made on the boat as of yet due to a price increase.
- c. 460 paid members

3. Presidents Report- Marty Noonan

- a. Mike Masterson President of the Conservancy reported that the conservation water retention program on the Freitag farm has been completed. Thanks to all who donated funds! There is ~ \$16K left over, will go towards the next initiatives, the Christenson farm and Friday creek areas. It was also noted that agriculture run off is the biggest issue causing nitrates going into the lake and we need to keep working on each individual residents properties as well.
- b. Volunteer recognition dinner tonight: Peter Seidl and Joe and Vicki Ziglinski are this year's recipients. Marty also wanted to recognize all volunteers and the appreciation for everyone's work on the Lake Association

Committee Reports:

Lake Management – Mark Jacobson

Healthy lakes initiatives are being reviewed and in progress, The YMCA camp, Eagle Crest, and several other residents are putting plans together to apply for a grant to enhance their waterfront areas . Deadline for the grant is Feb 1, with an on-line form that needs to be completed. \$1000 maximum per individual, \$25K for the entire grant. The cost split will be 75% DNR /25% property owner up to the maximum. There are several options; 1. Fish Sticks (trees in the water tied together and cabled for fish habitat). 2. Plantings and rain gardens need to 350 Square feet by 10 ft. wide. 3. Diversion of the water run off elsewhere, however this is not a good option on our lake. 4. Rock infiltration, which needs to be 6 ft. deep. Suggestion that trustees identify anyone in the area that has run off and encourage them to participate. This information will be posted on the Lake Association website. Discussion around needing a resolution by the Lake association to proceed with this grant, motion made, seconded and unanimously approved. Alex Smith is the DNR contact for us. Topography photos of the lake are housed at the Sanitary District, and provides an overview of the "hotspots" and was recommended to be reviewed to help identify areas.

Dave Nelson provider a reference site to review: www.waterwordsthatwork.com

The Lake Harvester is in storage (inside) at the sanitary district after a very successful year. It was a learning experience this year and noted that weather is a key factor in growth of the Curly Leaf. We will be increasing the crew next year to 6 people; 2 full crews and 1 alternate crew working 2 six hour shifts. Thanks for the support from everyone and any additional input and/or suggestions can be directed to Barry Eklund

Lake Monitoring – Lee Rickard

Thanks to all those that helped with the monitoring this year. Last sample was taken in August and results were noted in last Lake Scene. The Blue-green Algae arrived in the last weeks driven by the warm temps and heavy rains. A reminder and caution to keep animals away as it is very toxic.

Clean Boats/Clean Waters - no update

Neighborhood watch – The Sheriff's Assoc. has contracted with a private vendor, and therefore the cost has increased. We have reduced our order and expect to have additional signs available in 6-8 weeks. Trustees should be looking for where signs are located and determine if new and/or additional locations are needed. Contact Jerry Tessman with questions or the need for signs.

Community Relations – Karen Ohm

The Volunteer recognition dinner is tonight at the YMCA; Social at 5:00 dinner at 6:00 and program to follow. Approximately ~63 people are signed up to attend.

Sunshine committee: Reminder to send Gail requests/notices of life events over the winter so she can send cards on behalf of the association.

300 Club: License number will be added to the tickets for next year as well as changing the \$500 drawings to be held in August.

Membership: Currently at 460

Communications - Jim Anderson

Publication of the directory was completed and distribution made with the last Lake Scene on Labor day weekend. We included hitchhiker brochure promoting clean water/clean boat initiatives. Some Extra copies are available for the trustees. The committee is developing an outside entity distribution of the directories (police, fire, hospital). Facebook and website updates and enhancements continue. Additional discussion around whether advertising clients should be receiving a directory and/or copy of their advertisement. The committee will assess and make recommendations for next year.

Nominating/Audit: Dave Nelson

Jim Chevalier is in the process of auditing the financials. It was noted that we need to review the bylaws regarding audit needs and look to make amendments if needed next year.

Sally Studtman is the new trustee for the North End covering Klattsville, North Bay Court, Koethes Park and Northshore sections.

300 Club Drawing:

\$100 drawings: #254 Diane Jacoby, #42 Dan Smith, #65 Carol Rannikko, #293, Bob Shay, #171 Mari Irrgang, #35 Lon VanGemert

\$500 drawings: #53 Karen Demerit, #299 Kay Decker

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:50 a.m., seconded and unanimously approved.

Vicki Ziglinski on behalf of Michelle Buron