

McCarrons Lakefront Alliance Board Meeting

DRAFT Meeting Minutes

Monday February 24th 6:30 pm

Call to order

Nominations of officers

- Amy Forliti - President
- Robin Schroeder - Treasurer
- Chris Sluis - Secretary

Secretary's Report

- Updates to website planned to add additional resources and information
- Ice/In Out Records - Thank you to Gordon for supplying historical records

Treasurer's Report

- Account balance - \$1,075.85
- 501c3 Account at bank so no fees
- Robin and Amy will be added the account
- Donations are tax deductible

Reimbursements

- Board approved reimbursements to Amy and Chris for expenses while setting up the organization (Document filing fees, website, flyers, meeting supplies).
- Vote approved to setup recurring charges for website directly from bank account

Winter event summary

- Thank you for donations - Frank for smores, Chris for firewood, Inta for beef sticks
- Fun event that helped build community around the lake, great way to connect neighbors
- Agreed to make an annual event

Membership Discussion

- Anyone with lake property or deeded access would be eligible for voting membership
- No fee required for membership. Recommended \$50 annual donation per household
- Muskrat Minute newsletter this spring with details
- Application must be completed to be considered a member
- Have checkbox on application for preferred method of communication - email, mail, phone, facebook
- Chris to setup Paypal account on website to accept donations
- Plan to send mailing with Muskrat Minute and application for residents not currently connected via email.

Board Elections

- Annual meeting in the fall
- Board would have 3-5 members
- Stagger elections with 2 year terms
- Nominations a month beforehand and voting at the meeting
- Voting requirements
 - Voting in person
 - Possible option to vote by email in advance if approved by board
 - Must be a member of good standing

Bylaws review

- Updated items
- Approved with amended items

Mission statement review

- Short and general statement that is focused
- Articles of incorporation has a more detailed description
- Plan to add to the website

Goals for this year

- Zebra mussel monitoring with county
- E Coli testing plan/geese mitigation with county and CRWD

New business

- CRWD has a meeting to present management plan draft on March 16th from 6:30-8:00pm at Gallilee Lutheran Church
 - Draft will be posted on CRWD website before meeting
 - Announce this meeting in our post-board meeting email
- Work with Ramsey County Park to determine source of E Coli
- Lakewide monitoring on E Coli - CRWD to coordinate with the county. Amy to stay looped in
- Add links to E Coli information on the website
- Write up proposal for monitoring E-coli to submit to CRWD if necessary.
- Zebra mussel tracking
 - Program through the University of Minnesota
 - Samplers
 - Justin Townsend from the county is willing to help setup monitoring program

Grant opportunity

- From the DNR on aquatic plant control. CRWD and Ramsey County both said our lake does not have a nuisance level of plants so we did not spend resources to apply

Committees Ideas

- Outlet managers

- Welcoming committee to present newsletters and welcome packet
- Fundraising committee
- Any invasive species inspectors on the lake?

Insurance

- Robin called insurance company. Will complete application for a free estimate.
- Personal umbrella policy may cover board position

Adjourn: 7:45 p.m.