April 2022 Minutes

Lake Manitou Association

Board members present at the April 21, 2022 meeting were David Heyde, Steve Hearn, Nickie McBee, Joe Martin, Nick Bokan, Gary Bryant, Mary Ellen Lowe, Wayne Holleman, Cathy Simmons (phone), Chris McGuire, Kenny Anderson, Abby Renie, Greg Robinson

President Heyde called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM

Minutes were presented and approved following a motion by Joe which was seconded by Greg.

Treasurer report was discussed. Nickie presented a suggestion LMA buy Quicken software to assist the Treasurer to handle finances. Cost of the software is approximately \$40. Abby made a motion to accept and Wayne seconded it. Motion passed. Next discussion concerned authorized signatures for the financial accounts. Motion is to authorize the President, Vice-President or Treasurer as account signers for LMA – made by Steve and seconded by Abby. Motion passed. Also, it was discussed and agreed a Debit Card held by the Treasurer would be a convenience. Account statements go to the Treasurer for security.

Membership: Wayne reported as of April 19, we have 307 members for 2022 with dues of \$72,750. That is up approx \$6500 over last year with several new members. There are however 114 previous members who have not renewed yet. Wayne will get a list of those members and we will focus on their renewals.

Kenny: Reported last month we have been approved for \$1800 LARE funds. At this time he stated we need to get the agreement signed and return the form to the State.

Buoys – Gary reported the buoys are not in yet but will be in by the end of April. Kenny offered to help get them in.

Ramp Signs: Kenny distributed the proposed public landing map sign. There was some discussion about the rule regarding boating inside the 200 foot line. It is a rule that is disregarded often. How do we get voters to understand the objective? We will word this rule as: *Idle inside perimeter buoys perpendicular to shoreline only (200 ft.)*. Motion was made to approve the sign with this change made by Kenny and seconded by Joe. Motion passed.

Endowment Fund: Cathy reported she was recently called by David Harley who is the son of Wilfred Harley. Wilfred died in January. He had lived on and loved Lake Manitou. He left a substantial donation to the LMA for the continued support of Lake Manitou. Cathy has spent time researching how we can put these funds into our Foundation Endowment account as the donation comes from Wilfred's investments. It has been determined that an account must be established to receive the shares held at Fidelity. Once that is accomplished, the shares can be converted to funds and deposited into the LMA endowment fund. The "control person" for this account will be David Heyde with the "individual" required to be on the account to be Catherine Simmons. Cathy had a resolution prepared by a lawyer which she read to the Board. Approval to accept this donation and the steps required to do so was proposed as a motion by David with a second by Nick. Motion passed. It is noted the donated funds in

our Endowment Fund always remain in the account. The interest is available yearly for use for Lake Manitou improvement or enhancement or can be rolled into the principal.

Events – Meet & Greet Q & A meetings were discussed. It was agreed the **Annual Meeting will be held**June 18 at 9AM and will last approval 1 hr. There will be a Q & A period during this meeting. Kenny announced there will be a **Poker Run on July 30**; there will be a **Fall Meet & Greet Q & A on August 27**.

Gary advised the Bassmaster Club would like to work with us on Youth Fishing Workshop. Everyone agrees this workshop was successful in previous years. Gary will work with Mitch Hayes and report back to the Board. It was also agreed we will donate the budgeted \$2000 for lake fireworks to Mitch Anderson now, to assist fireworks being pre ordered (may be hard to get later). Motion approving the payment at this time was proposed by Abby with a second by Steve. Motion passed.

Newsletter – There will be a full newsletter in May. Everyone should get scheduled dates or announcements to Kenny as he will coordinate the newsletter with Jennifer Wilcox. We will also remind everyone that dues must be paid before the Annual Meeting to be allowed to vote for new Board members.

Aquatic Control: Kenny distributed a copy of the permitted treatment areas on the lake including the contract numbers with a total cost of \$44,478 for 11 areas. David reminded all last fall we approved \$29,000 for aquatic weed control. Kenny made a motion that we vote to approve his submitted contract. Joe Seconded. Following additional discussion, Abby offered an amendment to Kenny's motion that Area 9 be deleted from the proposed contract. Cathy seconded. There was additional discussion. David called for a vote on the amendment motion. It passed with 10 yes votes and 2 no votes. Then moved on to vote on the original motion with amendment. It passed with 11 yes votes and 1 no vote.

Steve moved for adjournment at approx. 7:20. Approved.

*The following item is carried over from March meeting and will be addressed at May meeting:

New Committee – David will set a meeting with the Corp of Engineers and IDEM. We hope we can work together to find ways to prevent sediment from running into the lake.