

June 2021 Minutes

Lake Manitou Association

Board members present: David Heyde, Mary Ellen Lowe, Kenny Anderson, Cathy Simmons, Nick Bokan, Nikki McBee, Greg Robison, Joe Martin, Abby Renie, Gary Bryant, Wayne Holleman

Meeting was called to order at 6:33 PM on 6/17/21 by President David Heyde with 11 Directors present.

Joe made a motion to approve May minutes. Nick offered a second and motion passed.

Joe made a motion to approve Treasurer's report. Greg seconded and motion passed.

During presentation of Treasurer's report, a question was raised about emailing the newsletter rather than postal mail. Decision was to continue with mailing as many people prefer to have the hard copy on their bulletin board etc. but more importantly when we mail the newsletter, it is placed in all lake property mailboxes including potential members. Emailing would miss those homes.

Wayne reported we currently have 274 memberships. Some board members have membership forms to be turned in and the PO box needs to be checked before the annual meeting on Saturday. Reminder - the Moose Lodge has approved the use of tent cards promoting LMA on their tables during July and August. Nikki will audit the 2021 membership list and assure it is current to be used at the annual meeting.

Kenny advised nothing new to report right now on dredging. Equipment will be moved in next week to begin dredging areas 5 & 6 in July. They will also be dredging a few private areas that have been permitted.

Aquatic plants – Kenny reminded that all individual weed control packs have been sold and the previous supplier is no longer available. Discussion was held on offering the lake packs from LMA if they can be found. Majority feel it is a good service to offer and suggestions were given to Kenny for resupplying LMA. Kenny advised the lake treatment has been started with Colonial Bay and by Dam Landing. They will also be treating the channel residents who have arranged private treatment.

Buoys – All buoys are in and Kenny has been monitoring. Two buoys were found not lit. Kenny purchased batteries and solar panels and has repaired them. If any member notes a buoy not lit or in disrepair, please advise David or Kenny.

Fish Activity – David reported that DNR has been checking the various species and levels of fish in Manitou. The orange buoys in the lake at this time are DNR trap nets. Large mouth bass

levels were checked earlier. Next week they will do another round of electrofishing. Following the testing, a full report will be given to David.

Annual Meeting – Abbie advised Harry Gerrich has been added to the ballot. At this time there are 7 names on the ballot for 5 open positions. Nominations will be accepted from the floor. Cathy will count ballots with the assistance of a non-board person in attendance at meeting.

Open Forum – David checked on robo calls which had been suggested as a way to contact members for reminders of dues and activities and possibly irregular lake news such as recovered boats. RTC does not offer this service. There is a 3rd party that would offer this service. The cost is approximately \$1000 for 500 calls. It is agreed there are less expensive methods such as banners and newsletters.

Ray Dausman reported as a member of the Lake Water Quality committee. He recently took samples to the lab that will be used to analyze sediment levels. He has been advised IDEM wants a copy of the results also.

It was agreed that LMA Treasurer can get a debit card to be used for approved purchases. For security, Jennifer Wilcox will review any invoices and Nikki will pay the actual invoices.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:38

Event Reminders:

July 3 Jake Dodd band concert at the Moose Lodge sponsored by Hearn Construction

July 24 Poker Run

August 28 Q & A /year end meeting/ Meet & Greet at Elks. Elks will have hamburgers and drinks