

October 2021 Minutes
Lake Manitou Association

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

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM on 10/21/21 by President David Heyde.

Joe made a motion to approve September minutes. Kenny offered a second and motion passed.

Nikki distributed copies of the October financial report. She noted she will be moving some monies from a CD to general fund to complete payment to SRS for 2021 dredging. Discussion concerning the money donated to LMA "in memory of", resulted in agreement the money will be kept in a separate account until the Board decides on a purpose. David suggested funds of this type be placed in the LMA Foundation Endowment. Subject will be discussed at the November meeting.

Dredging: Kenny presented the final invoice for \$103,000 from SRS for payment. In addition, Kenny submitted an invoice for his personal expenses associated with the dredging project. Total \$5002. Steve moved to reimburse Kenny and motion was seconded by Joe. Motion passed. The Board is very grateful for Kenny's work on the dredging project as well as the other projects he works on. Discussion on dredging 2022 began with the subject of older sediment ponds and the ditches. It was noted there are areas where livestock pastures run right up to the shore of Lake Manitou which results in contaminated runoff water and soil into the lake. David offered to chair a committee to work with DNR to make short term and long term plans to reduce the runoff and sediment buildup. He will contact Tom Baccula to get started.

At this time, membership is 371 paid members with dues received of \$92,350 for 2021. The recent push resulted in several memberships being paid. Plans for 2022 membership drive will be decided at the November meeting.

Aquatic Plants – We were a little over our budget in 2021 due to an extra treatment. All invoices have been paid. For 2022 Kenny has asked Aquatic Weed Control to prepare a proposal for treating the lake for best weed control.

Buoys – Gary is still looking for a storage location for the buoys so he can remove them from the lake. He is contacting the Moose Lodge to ask for permission to store them on their property. When location is determined, he will remove the buoys and before the end of the year, he will order the 9 additional buoys as agreed by the Board.

LMA Endowed Funds (\$5000) Cathy announced that 6 people have indicated they will each be contributing \$500 to the LMA fund on Giving Tuesday. The match can be up to \$5000 so it is hoped we meet that goal. Board members are encouraged to discuss with friends and neighbors

Open Forum: We will have a Board meeting in November. There will be no meeting in December. It was noted in 2021 we did not meet in January or February. To be decided in November.

Meeting adjourned at 6:59

Open Subjects: Results on the Fishery Reports?

Memorial donations purpose?

Membership Drive for 2022?

First meeting 2022?

Next newsletter date?

Meeting for long term goals for the lake with DNR, IDEM and Corp of Engineers?