

RALALA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 02, 2023

Via Webex

Welcome: Bob Eddy, President

Present (9): Bob Eddy, Gary Langer, Sara Parke, Kim David, Anne Bonnerup, Mark Mosman, Lloyd Thyen, Darril Wegscheid, Mary De Hanson

Absent (5): Bob Lee, Diana Lee, David Lawson, Jeff Caza, Cyrus Malbari

Minutes from the 02/09/2023 were reviewed.

A motion to approve the Minutes was seconded and unanimously passed.

Manganese Mining Project: Jan Mosman provided an update as to the status of the mining project. Exploratory drilling started a couple of weeks ago. The Emily Mining Information group has posted some updates on Facebook, they also have reached out to Minnesota Lakes and Rivers group to share information. Jan will continue to provide updates as they become available.

Treasure's Report: Sara gave us an update on the 2022 close (a couple of open items she needs to check on with Bob Lee). The 2023 budget construction is still underway, she provided an update and walked us through the budget categories. Updates and discussion occurred on each topical area. Sara hopes to have the first draft complete for the Financial Committee Review in the next two weeks.

Action Item: Sara asked that all members with budget considerations send her anything that needs to be added for 2023, as soon as possible. Sara will follow-up with Bob Lee on open 2022 payments. The goal is to have a draft of the 2023 budget for review before our next Board Meeting.

Action Item: Darril suggested that we provide some contributions for WAPOA and Pine River Watershed. He will provide budget numbers to Sara.

AIS and Launch Site Management: Gary reviewed his updated document (03/02/2023) with the group. He focused on the requested additional hours for inspectors at Roosevelt and Lawrence. Lloyd gave an update as to the recruitment posters (for inspectors) and where they were posted. Gary, also covered the Kiosk project and funding for the Roosevelt Launch Site. Gary and Mark gave a quick overview of ILID costs and needs. Gary finished off with potential funding sources (These funding sources should be added to the 2023 budget) from CLT Lakes and Shores.

A motion to approve Bob Eddy to sign an agreement on behalf of RALALA, with Cass County for additional inspector hours, was seconded and unanimously approved.

A motion to approve Bob Eddy to sign an agreement (DNR Parks and Trail Facility) and funding for installation of the Kiosk, was seconded and unanimously approved.

Action Item: Darril will reach out to “Muskie’s” to see if they will help with funding.

Action Item: Gary will work with the board on sign selection for the Kiosk.

Loon Liaison Update: Shelia gave an update on Loon Liaison responsibilities for 2023. Discussed document with DNR, Artificial Loon Nesting sites (building, monitoring and maintaining) and many activities for 2023. Shelia will continue to be the liaison between the DNR and RALALA.

City of Emily Beach: Bob Eddy distributed a letter from Kirk Soldner regarding the City of Emily Beach on Little Emily Lake. Board discussed the situation, but is needing further information.

Action Item: Darril will follow-up with Crow Wing County to get background on the project.

Newsletter: Target is mid-May distribution for the Spring Newsletter. Topics were discussed and assigned.

The next meeting is scheduled for 03/16/2023 at 07:00pm ct. The meeting was then adjourned.

Minutes prepared by Bob Eddy (standing in for Diana Lee).