November 7 Update

Spring Lake Association Members,

They Voted Yes!

On Monday, November 4th, the Prior Lake City Council voted on very important ordinance amendments to protect our lakes. The main points of the amendment were protecting our marshlands from further development, strengthening the rules around boat slip rentals, reducing the amount of allowed household watercraft from six to five, and reducing the amount of boat slips to future Controlled Access Lot Marinas. The SLA Board took an active part in the ordinance amendments from participating on the ordinance planning committee, attending the city planning meeting, the city council meeting, communication to the SLA members and reaching out to the city planners and council members. With about 40 people in attendance, the city passed the proposed ordinance with the two changes.

"Grandchildren" were added to the list of family members who could occupy a boat slip at a resident. Now the homeowner, spouse, parents, children (including foster and stepchildren) and grandchildren are able to use a resident boat slip.

The current boat slip ratio for marinas is 1:18.75 (1 boat slip for 18.75 feet of shoreline). The proposed ratio was 1:50 feet. That proposal was amended to 1:40 feet which was passed.

Thank you to everyone who took part in helping these important ordinances pass. We joined forces and together we helped preserve the future of Spring Lake!

The next step is for Spring Lake Township Board to consider this same update to its mooring ordinance. The topic is on the board's agenda November 14 at 7 p.m. at Town Hall at 20381 Fairlawn Ave, Prior Lake, MN 55372. This is the first time this topic is on the board's agenda, so it would be great if people show up to show support. It isn't clear when the board will actually vote on the ordinance.

Thank You, Spring Lake Association