

Two Lick Lake Recreational Association

2020 Annual Membership Meeting

(Rustic Lodge, Wednesday, 2/5/20)

The 2020 Two Lick Lake Recreation Association Annual Membership Meeting was called to order by Board President, Jesse Jones at 7:04 PM. All of the Board Members were present. The meeting was attended by approximately 60-70 members.

Jesse introduced the Members of the Board and John, Sandy, and Ben Gandolfi. He indicated that if anyone has any questions or concerns about the first year's issuance of the "Annual Membership Registration" forms by email, the Gandolfi's would be available to address those concerns after the meeting.

Board Secretary, Mark Sloan, read the minutes from the "2019 Annual Membership Meeting". There being no comments, questions, or corrections, Ron Brezinski made a motion to accept the Minutes as presented. It was seconded by Tom Parker, and approved by the membership.

Bruce Overdorff, Board Treasurer, presented the Treasurer's Report for the 2019 Fiscal Period. He reported that the organization has \$10,129.37 in the checking account, \$18,036.22 in the Capital Fund, and \$65,299.60 in the Money Market Fund for a Grand Total of \$93,465.19 in the Marion Center National Bank Checking and Savings Accounts. Bruce indicated that the Association collected \$95,900 in Membership Income, \$1,000 in Waiting List Income, and \$585.43 in Interest Income for a Grand Total of \$97,505.43. He continued by highlighting several of the past year's expenses for a grand total of \$87,316.87. There being no comments, questions, or corrections a motion was made by Tim Hood to accept the Treasurer's Report as read, it was seconded by Tom Parker, and approved by the membership.

Rich Wolfe reported under the "Safety Committee Report" that he had no issues to present to the membership but, as always, he offered a reminder that "if" the lake freezes over this year, please exercise extreme caution as there are several soft areas where under-the-surface gas bubbles or springs prevent the ice from freezing hard enough to support a person's weight and that people have fallen through the ice at these points. Rich also reported that our vehicle gate was destroyed when a vehicle crashed through it in December. A new replacement gate has been installed.

Under OLD BUSINESS, Board President, Jesse Jones reported that:

- The TLLRA Website has been upgraded to a new format and is now available for viewing on a smart phone.
- The Board authorized the donation of funds for half of the cost of a new fish weighing scale to the Two Lake Bass Club.
- When possible, the Board tries to involve members in Association projects at the lake. Jesse listed that the following projects were completed during the 2019 Season:
 - The Main Docks and Runways were painted by Tyger Paints.

- Dynamic Ceramic stamped the concrete bath house porch and applied a decorative sealer to the concrete floor inside the bath house.
- Rerouting of the drainage systems and the removal of mud and debris from areas adjacent the upper parking lot was accomplished by MD Sleepy Construction.
- Spring clean-up was performed by Burtig Landscaping.
- As needed, several wooden boards in the Picnic Tables were replaced by Jeff Bertino.
- Board Members deployed and retrieved the swim platforms and buoys in the spring and fall.
- MD Sleepy Construction trimmed the saplings along the Launch Road.
- Jesse took a moment to discuss the continuing safety concerns we all have as they apply to the size of the wake the Wake Surfing Boats can generate. We are requesting that all owners of Wake Surfing water craft carefully read and comply with the operating rules and regulations established in the “Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission’s Boating Handbook”. Their wake is capable of damaging the docks and their anchor points and causing significant pitching and rolling in adjacent water craft. Please, be courteous of other members, their families, and their water crafts. Always keep safety first.

Under NEW BUSINESS, Board President, Jesse Jones reported on the following items:

- Burtig Landscaping will continue to provide lawn care services during the 2020 season.
- We will be excepting Bids from applicable vendors to provide Security services during the 2020 Season.
- The Homer City Station will have new Dam Warning Buoys available and they will be deployed in the spring.
- The Stom Drains between the Upper and Lower Parking lots will need some attention this year.
- In 2020, the Board will be:
 - Considering the installation of security cameras at strategic locations on our leased property.
 - Checking on a cell phone booster around the Bath House for better coverage.
 - Getting quotes for an ice dispensing machine.
 - Getting quotes for new vending machine(s) from Bittner Vending.
 - Getting new ladders for the swim platforms.
- If anyone has a line on a used pontoon boat, please let a Board member know as we would like to have Tony Brock recondition it as another swim platform.
- The Board will continue to work with the Pennsylvania Game Commission on the “Land Swap” proposal.
- The 2020 “NOT-A-REGATTA” is scheduled for March 28th at the Eagle’s Club starting at 7 PM.
- Jesse called for the election of those Board Members whose terms have expired. Jesse Jones, Lou Idzajt, Bruce Overdorff, Rich Wolfe, and Mark Alvarado are up for re-election this year. There being no nominations from the floor, Tom Parker made a motion to retain the five (5) above mentioned Board Members for another term. Tim Hood seconded the motion and it was approved by the membership.
- Rich Fiscus pulled the winning ticket for this year’s free membership. The winner was Robert McCloskey with ticket #386091.

Before closing, Jesse opened the meeting for general questions and items of interest. The following were questions/comments from the floor:

- Why is the Pennsylvania Game Commission telling the public that they can use canoes, kayaks, etc. on the lake?
 - We are not sure why the PGC is doing that other than Two Lick Creek (the lake) may be classified as a “Navigable Waterway of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, e.g., Public Waters”. If it is, all water craft are permitted to use it as a waterway. However, since all of the property surrounding the lake is owned by the Homer City Station, the Fish and Boat Commission indicates in one of its publications that: *“The public does not have a right to cross on private property to gain access to public waters. However, if you enter a public waterway lawfully (e.g., through a public access point), you can wade, boat, float or otherwise be in the waterway where it passes through private property”*. It is not realistic to think we can keep all non-motorized craft off the lake but, as members, we should do what we can to politely inform the unauthorized persons that they are placing themselves, family members, and pets in serious danger as we, in high speed water craft, cannot always see them in the water and that our boats can generate a wake that is sufficient to swamp their small crafts.
- Why are non-towing vehicles parking within the gated area adjacent the launch area?
 - The only time a non-towing vehicle should be inside the gated area is to temporarily drop off a person or persons who cannot physically make the trip from the vehicle parking lot to the boat launch area. Once that person or persons have disembarked, the vehicle must be parked in the upper vehicle parking lot. If non-towing vehicles are within the gated area it must be because a member permitted it or failed to lock the gate upon his entrance or departure. We must all be vigilant in keeping the gate locked at all times other than when we are passing through the gate. Our proposed security cameras and the new “in car fob” operated gate (one car through at a time) will help control this situation.
- Are we going to try to introduce “Striper Bass” into the lake again?
 - This question is one for the Two Lick Lake Bass Club? Mark Alvarado will bring it up at his next opportunity.
- Could we leave at least one dock in the water past the normal October 15th time frame?
 - All of the docks are removed at the same time as it is most cost effective to have Lisa Crane make only one trip to the lake each fall. The Board will talk to Lisa Crane to see if we can move the removal date back to the end of October or later.
- Can we restrict the area of the lake where the Wake Surfing boats can operate? Why don't we modify our Rules and Regulations to resolve the problem?
 - The Wake Surfing boats have the same rights to the lake as all members but, as a special caveat, they must comply with the special operating rules and regulations established in the “Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission’s Boating Handbook”. Should a member observe or be adversely affected by a

significant surf wake, the Board encourages its members to collect the pertinent information and file an "Incident Report Form" so that the Safety Committee can address the situation on a case by case basis.

- Can we post a sign at the launch ramp reminding wake surfers, that for the safety of all members, please comply with the special Fish & Boat Commission's Rules & Regulations at all times.
 - The Board will consider this suggestion and take appropriate action.
- A question was asked to the Gandolfi team as to how the new email communications are working for them.
 - They responded that so far, the emails have been working smoothly.
- How many people are on the waiting list?
 - 1 on the Station Waiting List and 25 on the Public Waiting List.

At 8:03 PM, there being no further business, Ron Brezinski made a Motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Tony Brock and approved by the membership.

These Minutes were recorded by Mark Sloan, Board Secretary, on February 5, 2020.