

# MINUTES

Board Meeting  
Thursday, July 11, 2024  
6:00 p.m.  
Chisago Lakes Town Hall



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## Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

## Attendance

President Chris Schneider (phone)  
Vice President Scott Ross  
Treasurer Marlys Dunne  
Secretary Shelley Lindau  
Communications Director Natasha Zarich  
Member at Large Dennis Kammerer  
Member at Large Tim Clark  
Member at Large Lori Bestler  
Member at Large Dana Helm  
Member at Large Trena Morrison

Chris S. was short on time, so he addressed the group quickly.

## Karl Oskar Day Parade Float

The float was close to being finished. Bruce, Lori, and Chris S. were on the committee. The same sun used last year will be used again with a fresh coat of paint. There will be white poly sides to decorate. The Club has banners to hang and clown hands. Natasha ordered five new pairs along with backpacks and pencils. There is a need to have carts to collect for the food drive, and there was discussion on getting a real grocery cart for last year

## Minimum Balance in Checkbook

Chris suggested having a set minimum balance in the checkbook so the Club always knows there is money in the coffers. Marlys suggested \$2,000, and all agreed. There had been \$200 spent on the parade float, and giveaways were around \$1,500. About 1,000 of everything had been ordered, hopefully for two parades. Marlys also had some wristbands. There was a discussion on the need to have items expedited and the additional cost, noting next year, the process needed to begin earlier. Trena suggested only having a few people hand out stuff during the parade. All agreed.

## KOD Raffle

Marlys talked about the need to have a Club member(s) do the raffle winner announcements, since the Club holds the permit. Marlys suggested having two people. The drawing will be at the beach. Darin Straub, KOD organizer, will be there.

Chris S. left the meeting

## Approval of Minutes

Marlys made motion, Dana seconded, to approve the minutes for the May 9, 2024, Board Meeting. All Ayes. Motion carried.

### **Vote in New Members**

Dana made motion, Shelley seconded, to vote in new members Shane Elmer and Scott Walberg. All Ayes. Motion carried.

### **Approve Appointment of Craig Anderson as Member at Large**

Marlys made motion, Natasha seconded, to replace Robert Morrison with Craig Anderson as member at large on the GNC Board. All Ayes. Motion carried.

### **Treasurer Update - Marlys D.**

Marlys reported that as of June, the Adopt a Grandparent Program had \$5,117, and there was \$6,308 in the GNC account. She needed to deposit the money from the Coffee Pot sales for pots sold to Gustaf's. She updated the Club on the canopy purchase saying there was an extra expense to expedite the delivery. The cost of the canopy came from the Adopt a Grandparent fund, and she proposed the expedite fee be paid by the GNC. All agreed. There was also money spent for the Karl Oskar booth fee. The fee for the Harmony in the Park came from the Adopt a Grandparent fund.

### **Membership Committee Update- Lori B.**

Lori asked about a member who was going to assist her on the committee. It was determined this person no longer worked for the company and had apparently quit the Club. Lori will reach out to others. Natasha pointed out there was a link to a company on the website for clothing. Lori talked about working with Christa on sharing acts of kindness and how to verbalize that. Lori wants to get more members involved in planning, and she is looking for two volunteers; one to take over planning the social hour, and a second person to type up the RAK slips turned in at member meetings.

### **Adopt a Senior Program Update**

The Ice Cream Social at Parmly was a huge success. New community flyers have been made with a tear off for the phone number. These will be distributed around town.

### **Game Days at Parmly (Suggested by Shane)**

Shane will work with Christa. More info to come.

### **KOD Coffee Pot Sales/Info Booth**

Volunteers are signed up for the booth on Friday, July 12 from 2-9 p.m. and Saturday, July 13 from 10 a.m. - 6 pm.

### **KOD Parade Saturday, July 13**

Lineup is at 4:30 p.m. Volunteers are to meet at Maggie's at 3:30 to finish the float.

### **KOD Button Raffle**

Since the GNC pulled the gambling permit, it was decided the Club should be doing the drawing on Saturday, July 13 at 3 pm at Beach Park. Scott, Natasha, and Chris offered to be there.

### **Ki Chi Triathlon Water Course**

The Club has volunteered to coordinate the water course volunteers on Saturday, and Sunday July 26 and 27. Marlys talked about the need for lifeguards on Sunday saying the Chamber has always coordinated with the High School, but the High School has a new director and coach, and they are not allowing the kids to participate this year. Du Tri holds the insurance for the event. Marlys has contacted the North Branch and Forest Lake Schools and will continue to work on finding certified lifeguards. For Saturday's event, ten lifeguards, eight to ten pontoons, and 10-12 Kayakers are needed. For the kid's tri on Saturday, two-three volunteers are needed from 7:30-8:30 a.m. Du Tri will contribute \$1,000 to the Club for the big race on

Sunday, and maybe \$100 for Saturday. The Club is confirmed to do coffee pot sales, and volunteers are needed for that.

### **Zion Community Dinner on Monday, July 29**

The Dinner is on Monday, July 29 from 3:30 – 6:30. Natasha will send out a reminder for Club members to sign up. The dinner scheduled for October 28 has been changed to October 21. Natasha has updated this on the calendar.

### **Ki Chi Parade and Possible Coffee Pot Sales**

The Ki Chi event is August 16-18. The Club needs to send in the application for the booth.

### **Safer Days Robbery Reenactment**

The reenactment takes place at the old bank in Shafer on Saturday, September 14. Freddy volunteered to be the robber. More info to come.

### **Repaint Chapel at Parmly with Knights of Columbus TBD**

Marlys has secured some paint through the Chisago Lakes Recycling Center that she hoped to pick up next week. There was a question on whether the Club wanted to pay for more paint. This will be discussed at the next Club meeting.

### **Fall Tea Party at Parmly TBD**

To be discussed at a later date.

### **National Night Out**

NNO is on August 6, and 6-8 volunteers are needed between 5:45-8:30 p.m. It will be held at Pointe Pleasant, same as last year. A GroupMe notice will be sent out.

### **Social Hour TBD**

Lori requested another member take the lead on it and will reach out to Renee.

### **Celebration of the Lakes ATV Ticket Sales – Marlys**

Marlys informed the Board that the ATV was secured and at Stacy Hardware. Raffle tickets are going to the printer after July 19, and the goal is to have them by Ki Chi Days. Prizes for second and third place still need to be determined

### **Bird Seed Donations for Parmly**

Workers at Parmly have been donating their own money for bird seed since Parmly cannot spend money on that. There was a suggestion to take up a collection and reach out to hardware stores and pet stores for donations or reduction in cost. They are looking for Black Oil Sunflower seeds. It was noted that it did not need to be a Club decision but left up to individual members to decide to donate.

### **Assistance for Anne – Shelley**

Shelley has been communicating to a homeless woman who also reached out to the Club for \$200 to make the rest of her car payment before it was repossessed. She informed Shelley just prior to the meeting that the church came forward with the money. She is waiting to begin work so she can make enough money to get her car fixed. There was a suggestion to reach out to Mike at the Forest Lake Good Samaritans Club to see if they had a connection for a mechanic. There was discussion on donating her a bike or selling a car for cheap. Shelley will keep the Board informed of her plight.

### **Miscellaneous Discussion**

-Marlys still has approximately \$1000 in cash raised through caroling. It will be added to the parade collection, and food will be purchased for Family Pathways.

-Dana will work on more volunteers for event committees. There is already a list of reoccurring events. Scott talked about doing a debriefing after events. Dana will start a playbook.

-There was a suggestion to ask Shane to take over the Parmly painting project.

-There was a discussion on photos used on literature and the need to have permission to print. One example was the pictures from the Ice Cream Social and possible pictures of future game night at Parmly for pics for the Adopt a Grandparent Program flyers.

### **Next meetings**

Club Meeting August 8

Board Meeting September 12

### **Adjourn**

Natasha made motion, Marlys seconded, to adjourn at 7:08 p.m. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by Secretary Shelley Lindau

*“Chisago Lakes Good Neighbors club, through its resources and diverse membership, contributes to the needs and wellbeing of our communities through acts of kindness.”*