**April 2, MLPC Meeting Notes**

Present: Ginger Butler, Lynn Beckley, Chris Lemay, Ashley Rubacha, Michael Cruppi, Miriam, Carolyn Jukic, Lari Jukic, Chase Frank, Theresa

**Meeting Called to order on 04/02/2024 @ 7:02pm**

**Treasurer’s Report**:

January, expensed NYFOLA (small lake membership) and

March, post-office annual fee

Income left over from calendars

Treasurer will make payment to IRLC in a couple of weeks

$3,136.70 in bank to start the year

**Old Business**:

Review of January Meeting Minutes:

No changes; Everything looks fine per Lynn

 Flyer is done until we need to add to it; take off of old business

Café Press: updated logos, making one of the current logos to the MLPC logo, or do we want one that looks slightly different; more likely to get one that is already made; pick one of the three; voted on logos

Fishing Derby:

Pickets have not responded to messages, but Miriam will try to email them one more time

Run a poll to see if there are any volunteers to run it and what weekend it should be;

Facebook Engagement:

no content for Facebook; Lari will post photos to the Billboard once a week to remind people about the page again and whoever has access to the main-page can post to the page

 What are some ideas to drive engagement? Cannot make people engage

Calendar Submissions:

tell people about the calendar earlier this year so they can work on their submissions; Submissions due by the September meeting (August 30/31st); vote on the submissions as a board

NYSFOLA:

heard nothing from Nanci about training; hopefully we can do something on our lake, just like last year; IRLC is in June

Septic Funding:

there would be Septic funding that includes funds for Moon Lake residents, but no one has heard anything…

 Cathy & Jason Gartland used funding last year and wrote a letter about the process that we will include in the newsletter; we are looking for someone else to talk about how the whole process went

**New Business**:

Spring Raffle (one a year):

basket at the Labor Day Annual Meeting;

help gather items from local businesses to donate;

collect tickets all year; tickets pulled at the end of the year;

someone to put together a basket;

Lari & Carolyn to talk to Jezi’s; asking for other volunteers to go to other businesses:

 1000 island bait shop

 Wine basket from wineries

 Gift cards from hideaway or JK’s Roadhouse in Alex Bay

 Gift card from Miss Laura’s

Ideas for Raffle:

hat, shirt, & calendar

drive-in movie ticket to Alex Bay with a bag of pop-corn

make a drive-in movie basket

Robyn was able to get a fishing basket that the marketplace gas station donated

 \*notify anyone about businesses who decide to donate or refuse to donate so we do not hit-up these businesses multiple times

Do not ask the 2 ice cream shops for raffle donations because they donate for the ice cream socials; maybe we can do two socials this year – end of June because it is warm (22 or 29); make sure that it does not conflict with graduation weekend; the other one either the 3rd or 10th of August

SUNY Partnerships:

Oneotoa: waitlisted & requires $2500, to start-over with the management plan, but we do not need to start over; maybe try to do it on our own for now; do they have another plan that is less inclusive for less money

Plattsburgh: not responding; At end of April, Ginger will call her contact at Plattsburgh; the spring semester for Plattsburgh is over so it will not happen this year

The management plan has some holes. This is a lot of work requiring a sub-committee; Call for volunteers for a sub-committee using Facebook, the webpage, and the newsletter.

NYSFOLA Fireworks Study:

Application submitted on April 1; the fireworks study would require three samples, one before the event and subsequent ones; there was no mention of cost or fees; we should leave the application out there because we do not know if we will be selected anyway

Nancy from NYSFOLA sent information about invasive species; if we are going to take a look at the water quality of the lake, we should also consider invasive species; it is pretty straight forward about how to do it; would love some volunteers to help with it; A good idea to crowd-source since different areas of the lake are different; we can post this and put links in the post to the information & bullet points, also show a sample picture done properly; post it periodically as a reminder

Other posts: the algae information so that people can submit it; we need to be good about reminding folks about this, too

Newsletter: (ideally printed in April, ready for early May)

*are we including everything that we can think of that is important?*

 -fireworks study

 -weeds/plants

 -algae reminder

 -septics – self-tests (available so ppl can test their own?)

 -we need to know the costs first

 -dye tests are no super expensive; don’t expect it to be more than $20?

 -do we want to offer that?

Yes – also offer discounted septic cleaning? Vusler Septic? Maybe we should start with him? Lynn will call him…

-results from NYSFOLA about what the lake looked like; waiting for Eileen to get results, but they may not be out until the end of May

 -dates about local things that are going on

 -promote the IRLC events; water quality, celebration of lakes…

Open Discussion:

 What were we asking for volunteers for?

 -Algae

 -Invasive Species

 -Committee for Management Plan

 Indian Lakes Conservancy Letter, I can send you the dates (Ginger), the letter goes out to people who donate

 Send Lynn a text/email if you think of anything

 Anything anyone else wants to bring up

Meeting Closed 7:59, Meeting Adjourned by Lynn

Next meeting August 31st @7pm – 8 pm on Zoom