

## **LMIA BOARD MEETING – Wed, March 12, 2025**

Members Present: Stacy, Steve, Dave, Robin, Keith, Barry, Shawn, Tim, Paul.

Members Absent: Leo, Luke, Dawn

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT: Meeting Minutes from 1/14/2025**

- Correction to Annual Picnic date should be July 19<sup>th</sup> instead of 18<sup>th</sup>. Motion to approve with correction; Dave, Second by Steve.

### **TREASURERS REPORT:**

- Both Winter Gathering and Outdoor Luminary event came in under budget.
- Insurance Premium has been paid for 2025
- Website is paid for and under budget
- A few dues have already been paid for 2025
- Will Reimburse Shawn for materials purchase for core sampler built to measure muck around sucker creek ~\$30.00 to be applied to silt removal line on budget.
- Motion to approve Treas Report: Dave. Second by Tim.

### **WEBSITE REPORT**

- Site is up and running LakeManuella.com
- Upcoming events are included, will be adding to calendar of events; future board meetings, Meeting minutes will also be published once approved by the board.

### **NEWSLETTER REPORT**

- Newsletter will be published/mailed to all lake residents in Early April.
- Advertising in the newsletter, so far, we have Frank Koch, Litchfield Chiropractic, Robin's Signs & Designs.
- Discussion about asking Area Restaurants, Steve will contact Jomas Hill Winery.
- Mailing will also include a Lake Manuella Apparel Order form.

### **MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

- Dues statement will remain the same, but will add that we request payment of dues by May 31<sup>st</sup>, if possible, with an added incentive that those paid by May 31<sup>st</sup> will be entered in a drawing to receive \$75(1 year's dues).
- In appreciation to Sue and Cindy Barrick for the use of their lot and building for the Annual Picnic, we will mark their dues as paid for the year 2025.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **PICNIC**

- Lori J., has confirmed with B&B Sports, they will provide pork chops and hot dogs again this year.
- Lori J and Brian R have volunteered to find door prizes from community business.
- The Lake Association has typically provided a grand prize, discussion as to getting more nice prizes than just 1 big prize, possibly a cooler & fishing rods, adult and youth, will review in May.
- Keith will invite the Meeker Co Water Patrol again this year.
- Consider another guest speaker... who/what.

## **2025 WEED TREATMENT**

- Lake Restoration Weed Treatments are due by April 1<sup>st</sup>.
- If lake residents that have signed up for treatments are unhappy with services, they need to contact Lake Restoration themselves, it is not something the Lake Association will be doing on their behalf.

## **SUCKER CREEK**

- We have been informed by the DNR that we will need a new permit to remove the sediment delta that has accumulated at the inlet of sucker creek to the lake. We had previously been under the impression that we could use the existing township permit for maintenance of the 654<sup>th</sup> culvert replacement from 2001, that is no longer the case.
- Discussion if we should apply for a new permit on our own as LMIA or ask the Township to partner with us again. Cost and length of time will be the same either way.
- Motion by Dave to apply for the permit as LMIA, seconded by Tim. After much discussion regarding liability, and risks the motion was put to vote and passed 6 in favor, 2 against and 1 abstained, motion passed, we will apply for the permit ourselves.
- Next Steps towards requesting a New Permit: we need to provide our Goals, Scope, Volume to be removed, Sq feet/acre of area to be removed as well as a map.
- Shawn will request a meeting with Joe Norman at Meeker Co Soil and Water to get his take on the project and the samplings we have taken. Following the meeting with Joe, we will request a meeting with Emily from the DNR to review the data we have collected from measuring water depth, muck and hard lake bottom around the delta and make sure we have everything we need for the permit.
- Robin will update volume data for Keith to supply the excavation contractors to get an updated quote for removal of the sediment. Will request a price/truckload since we are unsure how much area we will be allowed to remove if any. Keith will contact the contractors again before leaving on vacation and cc Tim as his back up while on vacation.
- Following a preliminary meeting with Joe and Emily to gauge if we have what we need to move forward we will hold Special Meeting with the LMIA membership to vote on moving forward with the cost of the project.
- If for any reason the DNR does not approve our permit, or the membership votes against the it. The Sucker Creek Project will be dropped, and the LMIA will not move forward with it.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Discussion regarding requesting reducing the speed Limit on CSAH 9 from Co Rd. 33 to 208<sup>th</sup> St. Co Commission Johnson, informed us a speed study would need to be completed in the area, that could actually result in increasing the speed limit, so we would be better off leaving it as is. However, we could request a sign for motorists to reduce speed in the area of the beach and boat landing. Stacy will research and work on a letter for that request.
- We have heard that the DNR will be redoing the boat landing and parking area, we have not heard when it will be completed.

**Motion to Adjourn Keith, Second Steve.**

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 13<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm at Skjeftes**