

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

September 5, 2009

The meeting was called to order by President Laurie Francis at 1:00 p.m.

Twelve members were present: Laurie Francis, Kathy Nelson, Linda Ebbe , Patti Ebbe, Dave Trudeau, Jinny Matush, Scott Stewart, Jerry Sipla, John Kovac, Dave Duxstad, Bob Linke, and Bill Scharles. In addition there were nine LSPOA members present.

Secretary's Report

The minutes of the May 23rd, 2009, General Membership Meeting were reviewed. Dave Trudeau moved to accept the minutes as distributed, Bill Scharles seconded, and the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report for August 2009 was presented by Jerry Sipla. The checkbook balance as of July 31, 2009, was \$12,197.87. Income was \$10,268.38 and Expenses were \$15,868.39 leaving us with a checkbook balance on April 30, 2009, of \$6,597.86. There was a motion by Dave Trudeau to accept the treasurer's report as presented, seconded by John Kovac. Motion carried.

Budget Report

Bob Linke gave an historical view of the LSPOA and Lodge commenting that these are challenging times and asked for any input from the Board/Membership for generating more Lodge revenue. There was a discussion by the members present and will be presented to the appropriate committees.

Tri-Lakes Management Report

Dave Trudeau presented an overview of the annual Tri-Lakes Management Meeting of September 5th. He indicated that a new Harvester will be purchased with monies from the cash reserve and that a grant through DNR will be applied for to share the cost.

Architectural Report

Bill Scharles reported that there was one application for a shed and 1 porch and deck. He also reported that for the year there have been a total of 5 sheds; 1 garage and 3 decks.

LSPOA Administrative Assistant

Barbara Schwarz indicated that 54% of the total membership of LSPOA paid their dues and that camping permits issued were at 42 for 2009.

Covenants Committee Report

Laurie Francis reported that after many meetings/discussion with the Town of Rome, there will be NO short-term rentals on Lake Sherwood. She asked that any member with a concern about any of the covenants of LSPOA being abused/misused, to please let the LSPOA representative/administrator know.

Scholarship and Donations Committee

Laure Francis indicated that 2 scholarships were issued for 2009-10 and that there is a temporary hold on future scholarships due to the economy.

Business Committee Report

Business is down. The food sales, for the first time, have exceeded the alcohol sales at the Lodge. The committee is asking for ideas/input as to how to increase the bar business.

Housing Committee Report

John Kovac reported that there are no issues and that the Lodge is maintaining equipment/facilities, etc no large expenditures in the near future.

Nominating Committee Report

Chairperson Jinny Matush submitted the results of the election for subdivision representative: Ancaster—Laurie Francis; Canterbury—Kathy Nelson; Coventry—Tom Gabriel; Deer Lodge—Linda Ebbe; Greenleaf—Patti Ebbe; Huntington—Stewart Peterson; Kingsherald—Steve Nowicki; Knightshead—Dick Wadnal; Lancer—Tom Wycklendt; Lincolnwood—Dave Trudeau; Longbow—Jinny Matush; Nottingham—Jerry Sipla; Oxvord—Ron Fisher; Pikestaff—Scott Stewart—Alternate—Ray Speare; Quarterstaff—Linda Gies; Robindale—John Kovac; Royal Crest—Dave Duxstad; Scarlet—Jerry Klahn; Sir Richard—Norm Abler; Squire—Linda Sheppard; Whitehorse—Bill Charles; Woodland—Joan Schwegel; and Yeoman—Bob Linke. Broadsword had a write-in of Doug Krueger, Glencove, and Westwood Shores do not have representatives.

Recreation Committee Report

John Kovac thanked all the Board Members and LSPOA members that were instrumental in making the 4th of July celebration a success for the community. The celebration showed a -\$1,900 for the day with the 2 big money makers, raffle tickets and beer sales down. He also set the Children's Christmas Party for November 28th, 2009.

Conservation Committee Report

Dave Trudeau indicated again that LSPOA will not be stocking Lake Sherwood with fish this year. He is checking into grants for this purpose. He also reported The Town of Rome will be harvesting timber from the Sherwood Forest.

Correspondence

President Laurie Francis shared a letter from an LSPOA member indicating that the Shermalot Ski Team is in jeopardy of losing their practice site on Lake Arrowhead due to dam conditions being eroded, according to Chris Murphy, Conservationalist, Adams County. The member asked that each person concerned with this, should write a letter to Also, discussed was the communications by the LSPOA to its members. The cost effectiveness of the previous communication newsletter "The Scribe" is prohibitive with today's mailing expenses, etc. We will continue to use our website (www.lakesherwoodassoc.com) as our primary communication tool. There will be concentrated effort to expand/depth of the information presented.

Old Business

None

New Business

There was a brief discussion of the post card sent out by the Town of Rome Water Utility. It was decided that only individuals along Kings Way and the peninsula area were recipients. They should respond to their individual needs.

Adjournment

Dave Duxstad moved that we adjourn; Bob Linke seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

Following the meeting, Amy Luebke, Wildland Urban Interface Specialist, gave a presentation on prevention of fire hazards, grants to clean out areas in the Lake Sherwood Subdivisions.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Schwarz, Administrative Assistant