Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Voigt Residence W5025 Wilson Road
April 22, 2023

The Board of Directors Meeting was called to order by President, Jerry Voigt at 10:00 AM.

Present: Jerry Voigt, Mary Ann Cervinka, Todd Schultz, Rick Schaber, Dave Schultz, Wendy Vincent, Tom Catlin, Dave Wangerin.
Absent: John Harvat.

Open Forum: No general members were present; Jerry Voigt adjourned the open session and called the executive meeting to order.

BUSINESS AND ACTION ITEMS

Secretaries Report: Mary Ann Cervinka

Minutes of September 17, 2022 Board Meeting were presented. Dave Wangerin motioned to accept the minutes as presented. Rick Schaber seconded. All were in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Todd Schultz

Current balance is $4,005.54 after Wisconsin Lakes Invoice was paid. Dave Schultz motioned to accept Treasurer's Report as presented. Tom Catlin seconded. All were in favor.

Membership Report: Jerry Voigt

152 is current membership (FY 2022-23). Per a study of the Waushara County GIS map, there are approximately 431 parcels within the one-mile requirement. 296 different owners are eligible for membership. Jerry will send out the map showing the designations and there will be an effort by Board to increase membership, including a mailing to those owners who may have never been invited to join.

Upcoming Event Dates – All

- May 6, 2023, Road Cleanup
- June 17, 2023, BOD Meeting prior to annual meeting.
- June 23, 2023 Septic Cleaning
- July 1, 2023, Annual Meeting – Townhall reserved and Boat Parade
- June 24, 2023 – Paddle – Non-motorized event

Board member turnover/election – Dave Wangerin

Todd Schultz and Mary Ann Cervinka first terms are up, and neither will be running for second terms. Jerry Voigt's first term is also up, and he will run for a second term.

Discussion of possible candidates who have expressed interest are Patty Jackson, Stu McIntyre, and Doug Gunderson. The target date for submission of candidates is June 17, 2023.

COMMITTEE AND GENERAL REPORTS

Saxeville – Dave Wangerin – All town board members ran unopposed and were reelected this year. The Fire Department rating has improved due to additional equipment. Residents' insurance rates should be lower as a result. Nineteenth Street and Akron Bridge is scheduled for repair work. The first full week in May will be devoted to filling potholes. There will only be one ditch clean up and tree trimming this summer of 2023. The side slopes at East Long Lake Road and TT will be filled with Breaker Rock to help mitigate erosion of shoulder material. The dock at the landing will be extended with another section this season.

Springwater – Rick Schaber – There were multiple candidates for all three town board positions. Ed Hernandez was elected the new Chairman. Josh Baitinger was elected Supervisor 1 and Supervisor 2. He can only fill one seat so the Supervisor 2 seat will be filled by an appointment made by Hernandez, Baitinger and Secretary Yeska. It is expected that Jay Johnson will be the appointment. Among the first issues the new board will address is legalizing ATV/UTV use on town roads.

Fish Enhancement – Dave Schultz – Stocking fish provided by Friends of Long Lake, WRK Fish Club. 5-9" Walleye stocked. The board agreed to upgrading the Fish Fund signage and including a QR code for donations to the FLL Fish Fund. Signage expenses will be covered by LLA so FLL fish funding can be put toward the next stocking expenses.

Education Committee – Todd Schultz – Working with rental companies to post pertinent safety and regulatory information at their rental properties. Handouts at the landing need to be updated.

Social Media – Wendy Vincent – Distributed a Facebook and Instagram recap for 2022 to 2023.

Lake Studies – Jerry provided an update in john's absence. He requested approval of the aquatic invasive species study proposal from Golden Sands. Cost has risen because of inflation to $1233. Dave Schultz motioned to have Golden Sands perform the annual review for invasive species. Todd seconded the motion. All were in favor. Reimbursement for this study will be requested from FLL.

He also reported that water samples will be sent to UWSP as usual for spring turnover. Samples will be taken tomorrow. The tests are pretty inexpensive, about $200. The figures are entered into the WDNR's tracking database. The board agreed to pay for the sampling from the LLA budget and not request reimbursement from FLL given the minimal expense.

John is starting a zebra mussel monitoring effort this summer. John is looking for volunteers around the lake to install zebra mussel monitoring equipment under their docks from Memorial Day through Labor Day.

CBCW – Tom Catlin – This is Tom's last season as leader of CBCW. He will be soliciting for a new volunteer to lead the effort. Tom will be sending out an email blast in about a week for volunteers to sign up beginning Memorial Day weekend.

Friends of Long Lake – Tom Catlin – Tom 's second term is up so he will be off the FLL board. He'll be looking for candidates to run and for a recommendation for the next President. Mark Harvat's term is also up and he is integral to FLL as its treasurer. Mark has agreed to run again.

OLD BUSINESS

Newsletter – Jerry introduced the idea of using an outside vendor to pay for printing expenses to publish the newsletter. This would involve being funded by advertisers, and would allow the newsletter to be printed in color. A possible vendor for this is JPL, which is a well-known vendor that works with churches and other small businesses that produce newsletters or bulletins. The Board agreed that this was an intriguing option to explore, with some concern raised with who might advertise. Jerry will provide more information at next BOD meeting.

By Law revision – The effort to update the bylaws has been slowed with work on the newsletter and website upgrades. The bylaws will be addressed once these projects are completed.

Water Patrol Status – Jerry reported that he has discussed forming a coalition with other lake leaders in Waushara County. The purpose is to bring a bigger voice to our water patrol concerns to the WDNR and sherrif's department. Lakes that agreed and are still being targeted include:

Gilbert - Y
Kusel - Y
Wilson - Y
Round Y
Morris - Y
Johns - Y
Pine -Y
Pearl - Pending
Porters - Pending
Big Hills - Pending
Alpine - Pending
Big Silver - Pending

NEW BUSINESS

Website – Bruce Rucks and Jerry are working to upgrade the site. Karen Reynolds from Gilbert Lake is working with us. We are trying to complete the project around Memorial Day.

Land Task Force – A Task Force (Tom and Dave W.) was created over the winter to explore what it may take for a land acquisition project. Jerry discussed land acquisition with WDNR and reported grants (up to $250k) are available, but LLA would need to apply with the WDNR for eligibility by May 1 and then prepare the proposal over the summer. The board requested that we take the step of applying for eligibility and the Task Force was expanded to include Dave W., Tom, Rick, John and Jerry. Dave S. and Tom will reach out to find legal experts for potential legal advice. Rick and Dave W will hold exploratory meetings on potential projects.

ADJOURNMENT

Tom Catlin motioned to adjourn meeting at 12:15pm. Wendy Vincent seconded. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ann Cervinka
Secretary