MLWLA BOARD MEETING MINUTES, March 2, 2023

The MLWLA monthly board meeting was opened at 6:00PM by President Julie Teslow.

In attendance were: Sue Ackerman, Scott Quist, Frank Smasal, Paul Baer, John Hoines, Julie Teslow, Jim Van Deusen, Gary Schmidt and Guest Scott Salsbury.

Treasurer Jim Van Deusen reported: Savings Acct $6,988.54

 Checking Acct $36,867.3

 Venmo Acct $5.00

 Facebook Acct $5.00

 Expenditures of $102.39 magnetic signs.

 Income: Memberships $3,389.31

 Banquet ticket sales $1,046.01

 Donations $701.00

The Secretary’s report for February 2022 was approved.

Guest, Scott Salsbury, BEC-Property & Environment Resources told us that $10,000.00 is available to Madison Lake residents for Shoreline Restauration projects. This is a 10 year on going project. Monies are available for “Score Your Shore” and other projects to assure good shore line management practices. Monies may also be available for signage at our North Shore project. Scott also reported that AIS inspectors will again be posted this summer at the Water Access locations at Madison Lake, as well as Duck Lake and and Lura Lake. Scott mentioned a contractor “ Water Guards” will be doing the monitoring.

Membership Board member Sue Ackerman reported that she has been working steadily on the Watershed/Membership lists. To date she has compiled 25 pages of names and addresses comprising 739 names of people living in the District.

Jim VanDeusen noted that using the Blue Earth County “Beacon” to locate the names of property owners might be a very useful tool.

Sue recommended we list the specific benefits of being a MLWLA member on our social media sights.

Gary Schmidt noted the Lisa Haman has scheduled an Ice Breaker “set up night” on Thursday March 9th at 6:00PM.

Gary, Paul, Julie, Sue Ackerman and Frank will meet to clean the Banquet Room on Monday the March 6th at 6:00 PM. Gary will arrange cleaning equipment and supplies.

Paul Baer suggested we post the regulation regarding Fish House removal from the lake on our social media sites.

Gary Schmidt made a motion that we for-go the customary ice clean-up following fish house removal because of the questionable ice safety conditions. Motion Passed. We will do a thorough cleanup of the access sights prior to the Governor’s Fishing Opener.

President Julie Teslow reported being contacted by the Anchor Restaurant concerning a monthly “Trivia Night” program they are planning. The monies raised will be donated to a local non-profit organization. MLWLA was asked to consider being the recipient. Motion made and passed that we accept the Anchor’s generous offer.

Nicole Dorn is hosting a money raising Benefit at the Governor’s Opener. It will involve Nicole’s wholesale liquor business. MLWLA will be a recipient of some of the monies raised. Motion passed we accept the generous offer.

Scott Quist brought us up to date on his “lake weed removal “business. Scott is still in the planning stages but has purchased much of the equipment for use next summer. He is continuing to work with the DNR on licensing and other administrative issues.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Gary Schmidt

Secretary MLWLA