

## ELRA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

SUNDAY MAY 23, 2010 CITY HALL

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting called to order at 2:07 PM

**PRESENT:** Ken Scribner, Chuck Proshek, John Bergstrom, Ellen Benson, Jan Pope **ABSENT:** Tom Hintz

**PREVIOUS MINUTES:** Minutes were reviewed and accepted without changes. Ellen Benson motioned to accept minutes and Chuck Proshek made the 2<sup>nd</sup> motion.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS:** Jan Pope presented several educational materials received from the DNR that included Wildflower Identification, ID cards for Eurasian Milfoil, New Zealand snails, invasive species, the Pine River Watershed and a number of articles about how important forming a buffer on the lakeshore. These brochures and more are needed to keep our property owners educated about our lake as is a goal of our mission statement. A zippered envelope was selected by the group to keep materials with in and Jan will develop an introduction letter for this packet. We discussed ways to get the materials to the owners and decided that hand delivery of the item will be the best. Jan will work on a plan to divide these materials amongst the board and lake association volunteer members and bring results to next meeting. We discussed getting extra copies to the resort owners as a reference for them and their patrons. Jan made a motion to expend up to \$350 dollars for the envelopes and materials. Jane Schulte seconded the motion.

**JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> BOAT PARADE:** Discussed the boat parade for the July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend and how we could come together on the lake after the parade and have a 'vote' on the best decorated boat. Jan will ask a property owner, Julie Selberg if she would organize this.

**WEB SITE:** Our ELRA web site could use some updating so that we have current meeting minutes posted, any events that we have coming up and offer links to DNR or educational sites. We mentioned that the Ruth Lake association has an excellent web site. Jan and Jane will work with Darlene to see what we could add to our web site. The board also discussed the newsletter from the U of M called Shore to Shore which is a \$15 fee. It is available to everyone however, on the Internet. A link to this site could go on our web site. The address is [shorelandmanagement.org](http://shorelandmanagement.org). It has many, many great articles of interest to all property owners.

**SHORELINE BUFFER WORKSHOP:** Jane Schulte and Bonnie Fairchild have offered to go to this workshop for a cost of \$25. Ken motioned we expend this fee and Jan seconded the motion.

**MRPOA:** Minnesota Recreational Property Owners Association is a group that offers legislative help for lake property owners. Since we do not have enough info on them, Chuck will research this group and bring his findings back to us.

**ELRA BY LAWS:** Discussed need to review ELRA by laws as it applies to online voting for the board members when a meeting is not possible. John suggested we should all review the by laws and bring suggestions or questions to the next meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** John reports the savings account to be \$4239.00. The checking account balance as of April closing is \$2,905.58 for a total of \$7,264.78 with the addition of membership deposits and after several expenditures.

**BANK SIGNATURE CARD:** Jan to follow up on signing the card.

**NEWSLETTER:** There have been some good articles sent this time and John said it would help Bonnie and Kris if we would edit our own articles to help them with their work. Deadline for articles is June 13, the next meeting.

**LOGO CONTEST:** Jane has submitted her article for the LOGO to Kris and Bonnie.

**MARKETING PLANS:** Discussed this matter in the educational materials in New Business.

**YAHOO CALENDAR:** Jan will develop calendar for the Board. It is now completed at this writing and sent to board members with user id and password.

**ANNUAL MEETING AND PICNIC:** Ellen, Jane, John and Chuck will form a committee to prepare food, speakers, drinks, get key, start sign up sheet etc. The date has previously been set for August 14, 2010.

**NEXT METTING DATE:** June 13<sup>th</sup>, Sunday 2 PM City hall.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Jan made first motion to adjourn and Jane seconded the motion. Adjourned at 3:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Pope

Secretary