

EMILY LAKES AND RIVER ASSOCIATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

June 9, 2016

CALL TO ORDER: Attendees - Mark Drewitz, Jane Schulte, Doug Tarasar, Becky Gromek, Tami Froidcoeur, Kristi McLain. Absent- Wayne Gapsiewicz

SECRETARY REPORT: The meeting minutes from April 16, 2016 were not available for review. This will be ready at the next meeting in July for review and approval. The May 12, 2016 meeting minutes were reviewed. Motion to approve May meeting minutes was made by Kristi. Jane seconded motion. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Kristi presented the Finance Report as of June 8, 2016. Received 1 new membership. Two members paid double fees mistakenly and advised Kristie they would like the money to the milfoil fund. Other donations were \$50 to boat inspections, \$15 to fish stocking and \$264.50 to EMW. See attached for detailed expense report. Motion to approve Treasurer's Report was made by Jane. Tami seconded motion. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: No discussion.

NEW BUSINESS:

Membership Drive: The 2<sup>nd</sup> membership drive by mail was completed by Becky and mailings went out on May 31, 2016. Kristi reported 16 new members as a result of the 2<sup>nd</sup> drive and that brings us to 57 members. This includes one new member.

Next year the board discussed the goal to have the invoices out by April 1<sup>st</sup> and the 2<sup>nd</sup> membership drive completed by May 1<sup>st</sup>. A January 2017 meeting was recommended to help plan for and earlier Membership Drive.

AIS Fundraiser Report: Mark reported on behalf of member Ken Scribner that he sent an article off to the Northland Press advertising the Golf Benefit for AIS. Banners will be made by the Beer distributor. Almost all businesses in Emily have donated to the Golf Benefit. Golf Benefit planning is moving along nicely and no more donations are needed for the benefit at this time.

City of Emily Lakes Protection Fund: The committee approved the recommendation for \$5,000 to be given to ELRA for milfoil control. Jane will attend the Emily City Hall- meeting on June 14, 2016 and present the recommendation to the council.

Milfoil Control: Wayne researched two vendors to use for milfoil control and Mark reported the findings to the board. Both Central Minnesota Aquatics and PLM Lake & Land Management Corp provided the board with estimated expenses for volume of areas to be treated. Jane made a motion to use PLM Lake & Land Management Corporation Liquid 2,4-D and pay for this with funds from Crow Wing County, the City of Emily, fundraising and member donations. Doug seconded motion. There were 6 votes yes and 1 vote no.

Water Sampling: ELRA member Jim Frazier volunteered to do water sampling for 2016.

Zebra Muscles: Doug will continue with 2016 testing.

Boat Parade: The parade will be held on on July 2<sup>nd</sup> at 12:30 p.m. Mark will send out a general message to the membership on the date, meeting time, and to meet at the mouth of the river in Emily and a volunteer for a 'parade leader.' Direction is to then move clockwise around Lake Emily and then back to the river and into Lake Mary.

Annual Meeting: Summer News Letter: Mark requested articles to him by July 9<sup>th</sup>.

Upcoming Board Meetings:

July 14<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. – Doug

August 13- 8:30 a.m. – Annual Meeting at City Hall—Key responsibility is Tami & Wayne

September 8<sup>th</sup>-7:00 -- Becky

Additional notes for discussion at next meeting:

- 1.) When new owner moves in can the ELRA work with the realtor to provide a 'Welcome Packet' with an intro letter. A good way to promote the ELRA and encourage people to become involved. There is \$250.00 in funds available from the county for education.
- 2.) 3 Open board positions this year.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

Kristi made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tami seconded motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Gromek