

Gravel Lake Association
Board Meeting - Minutes
April 14, 2018

- I. Meeting called to order at 10:01am
- II. Attendance: Cr. DeSimone, Reed, M. DeSimone, Hochsprung, McDevitt, Micheli, Rinaldi, Roeder, Toso, Vitkauskas, Zwartz
Not in Attendance: Pinkos, Brown, Ca. DeSimone, LaLone, McGreal, Paramski, Rockwell
- III. Approval of a Minutes from 10/21/17 - motion to approve by Dan McDevitt, seconded by Ken Hochsprung, approved.
- IV. Treasurer's Report - report presented by Craig DeSimone, prepared by Janice Pinkos
 - A. Our current balance is \$28,897.11
- V. Officer's Reports
 - A. Secretary - no report
 - B. Editor - newsletter content deadline is Sunday, April 15. Tom Zwartz is interested in putting in an ad, he will talk to Chip.
 - C. Internet Ops. - no report
 - D. Fundraising - Need to set two meetings and sale dates in advance. Suzanne Reed will talk to Carlie DeSimone about these dates. Suzanne Reed would also like to sell on Memorial Day weekend. Linda Vitkauskas volunteers to be involved in the fundraising committee and possibly Mary Rinaldi as well.
 - E. Water Quality - Larry Grembowicz has resigned.
 - F. AIS -
 1. The Professional Lake Management (PLM) contract has ended. Craig Desimone has talked to Porter Township and Ken Hochsprung about another four year contract with PLM.
 - a) Suzanne Reed moves to enter into the new contract with PLM for another four years. Seconded by Chris Toso and approved.
 2. The Special Assessment District (SAD) is also up for renewal.
 - a) Craig DeSimone went ahead and asked Porter Township to renew the SAD for weed treatment.
 - b) There will be public discussion before the renewal can be approved,. Chris Toso and Ken Hochsprung will attend the Porter Township meeting when this occurs to make sure we can continue the SAD.
 - c) Ken Hochsprung will talk to Andy on the Porter Township board about the use of SAD funds while we are between contracts and SADs.
 - G. Buoys/Signage - Tom Zwartz reports that no repair work is needed so far on the buoys, they will be back with the same placement by the end of May.
- VI. Old Business
 - A. Public Access - A new sign for the public access is to be determined.

1. Craig DeSimone would like to invite Clean Boats, Clean Waters back to do boat wash events and we are willing to make a small donation to make sure these events continue.
2. Jen Micheli is planning to do a walk around the lake to pick up trash around Earth Day. She will advertise on the Gravel Lake Facebook page.

B. Survey - Action items

1. Pins/Badges - no update
 2. Nametags
 3. Boating Safety Classes - Suzanne Reed found the next one is June 23rd, 8am - 2pm
 4. Email - Melissa DeSimone determined that the Google Group is still functional and will request member emails from Janice Pinkos to get that up and running again.
 5. Invasive Species samples at the membership meetings
 6. Fireworks - Jen Micheli contacted a company to find out more information but they said they needed to know our budget and the 4th of July dates are not available for this year. Jen needs more contacts for more information about a possible fireworks display.
- C. Shaw Rd. Pedestrians - on hold. Phil Rinaldi will talk with Greg Brucks.
- D. Picnic - Dave Brown is working on the picnic and everything seems to be on track.
- E. 4th of July Budget - This was completed at the October board meeting.
- F. 2018 Calendar - no update
- G. Membership review - no update
- H. Phone book - Suzanne Reed and Linda Vitkauskas will help with this.

VII. New Business

- A. MLSA update - next meeting is May 5th, 9:30am at Decatur Library
1. MLSA conference on April 20-21
 - a) DeSimone family plans to attend and requests the conference registration reimbursed.
 - b) Ken Hochsprung moves to pay for registration and accommodations for the conference, seconded by Dan McDevitt, approved.
- B. Speakers at meetings - Board feels these are good to have. Suggestion was made to have PLM come to our next meeting, maximum 20 minute presentation.
- C. Other New Business -
1. 4th of July event coordinators needed for the boat parade. Craig DeSimone to advertise on Facebook.
- D. Next BOT meeting is Saturday, May 19th, 10am at Porter Township Hall

VIII. Announcements - none

IX. Adjourned at 11:07am