

Moen Lake Chain Association Board Meeting

FINAL MINUTES

April 24th, 2023

CT Deli, Rhinelander

4:30pm to 6:00pm

I. Call to Order

Nancy Sattler called the meeting to order at 4:32pm

Board:

Nancy Sattler, Ann Richmond, Mark Marek, Kate Easton, and Billy Heath were present.

Bill Disbrow, Julie Gust and John Dellman were online.

Steve Hart was absent

II. Review of meeting minutes from February 13, 2023

Approval: Were approved by unanimous consent (moved by Mark Marek, second by Ann Richmond)

III. Membership Committee Report

Ann Richmond: Sent the list of past members that have not yet renewed to the Board. She is sending an email next week as a reminder and will add verbiage to the spring newsletter regarding membership renewals. Ann asked Board members with close relationship to please reach out and give a nudge to folks to renew. Ann reported that she has not received any feedback regarding the \$25 increase. She let the Board know that the boat sponsorships have almost doubled this year.

Directory: Ann reposted that the online membership directory announcement will be made at the July meeting. She noted that all paid members will be included. All are included.

IV. Treasurers Report (Under Separate Cover)

Julie Gust: Sent the Board the First Quarter Report under separate cover. The current balance is \$20,867.26, with available funds ending up at \$23,486.45. This included membership dues that have come in prior to the meeting, the Charlie Baker check for \$500 and \$9 of interest made. She reported that expenses were low this quarter. Paypal fees, Flight trophy, channel maker (we will be reimbursed) and OCLRA dues were expenses. CBCW grant came in early April so it is not included in the first quarter. Julie reiterated the advantages of moving to a cadence of treasurer reporting to marry up to dues solicitations.

Approval: Unanimous vote to approve the report (moved by Ann Richmond, second by Mark Marek)

V. CBCW Report

Mark Marek: Reported that we are on our way for 2023. We have \$750 dollars and need the balance of \$2,250. He hired a boat inspector, Evelyn Simonson. Her hours will be submitted and monitors on Mark's boat inspection sheets with regular check in's by Mark. Jeff Seefer (sp?) is returning this year. Mark asked for the following motion to remain competitive as it related to hiring and sustaining workers. **NOTE:** We need a CBCW coordinator for 2024. Need to recruit now so Mark can mentor.

Motion: Motion to move boat inspector compensation from \$12 to \$14 dollars per hour in 2023 with a reevaluation by Mark and the Board in 2024.

Approval: Unanimous vote to approve (moved by Bill Disbrow, second by Billy Heath)

VI. Channel Marker Committee Report

Julie Gust: Reported that Rocky is ready to go. There are a few volunteers that are not able to join so he and Tony are working with new members to coordinate the channel marker drop for the weekend of April 28th Tony are

putting a crew together. They are ready if lake is ready. Want them out before opening fishing. This weekend. She reported that the new buoy is in and Rock will pick it up.

- VII. Newsletter
Ann Richmond: Reported that all reports and materials are in for the spring newsletter. Directory and membership information will be included. She is planning on having it live electronically next week. Out next week. An update will included an invitation in the newsletter for families to submit their personal story of how they ended up on the chain.
- VIII. Presidents Report
Nancy Sattler: Noted that a wake boat recommendation will be in the newsletter. OLCRA has presented on the issue, and by July there will be a more robust recommendation regarding wake boats. The ask is to the County Board to restrict the use of wake boats in the Oneida County lakes. OLCRA has included wake boat information for rental units and for realtor packets. To date, there has not been a ruling in Oneida County on wake boats. There seems to be consensus is against wake boats. No legislation at this time. The Board discussed verbiage for a sign at the boat landing, warning about depth of our chain to alert wake boat owners. Nancy is working on the verbiage for this motion. Nancy working on the motion. Nancy requested a subcommittee be set up regarding MLCA bylaw review to address the issue of voting by email. Julie Gust and Keith Kelling will spearhead this committee. The hope is to have a report for the July meeting. Julie will also reach out to Gary Berger (sp?)
- IX. Fish and Habitat Committee Report
Nancy reported that there are plans in the queue for Moen and Second Lake. She attended a walleye habitat presentation and Dave will give a full report in July.
- X. Old Business
Julie Gust: reported out on a merchandise update. The existing inventory is minimal. Metro has our logo and product for walk-ins that are interested in purchasing directly from the store. Metro can do embroidered or screen printing. There will be plenty of merchandise at the July meeting. Julie reported that the Lands' End website done. Julie did a sort of items from their catalog. Members can go into this on their own. It will be included in the newsletter.
- XI. New Business
Kate Easton: researched the state's DNR grant programs (attached). She noted that the MLCA has multiple opportunities to engage in grant options, but it will take human equity time. Nancy agreed to do a deeper dive into grant options as well as partnerships with other associations.
- XII. Next Meeting Date
Nancy Sattler: July 8th is the next meeting at Twin Pines. Nancy, Ann and Mark will be on the docket for board renewal.
- XIII. Adjourn
Unanimous vote to adjourn at 5:50 pm (moved by Mark Marek, second by Billy Heath)