

HLIA August 12, 2013 Minutes

Present: D French, B Lester, R Deters, Pat Bertrand, R Finkbeiner, C Rosen, J Swendrowski, J Heidman, L Williams, Rich Bosowski, T Roelof, Duane and Betty Pennington.

Absent: Andrew Lapham

Call to Order 7:05

1. Diane asked all present to introduce themselves and state zone or office held.
2. Minutes from July 8 meeting were reviewed and approved.
3. Treasurers report:
 - a. Checking account balance: \$8648.78
 - i. Discussion followed regarding where these monies come from: Wildlife, Other, Membership and Flare Sales. Would like to see a breakdown on the donations understanding the balances will not be equal to what donations were since money is spent in those categories.
 - b. CD: \$16,148.12 (monies from the sale of the harvester many years ago)
 - i. Maturing Oct 23.
 1. Discussed what should be done with this due to low interest. Will discuss at Sept meeting.
 - c. Diane raised the question of the annual audit mentioned in the by-laws. Ramona did have a letter from Independent Bank which stated the bank balance is equal to the checkbook balance. More discussion followed related to "who" should provide the audit since it is stated in the by-laws under Article V, 8. "the account records of the secretary/treasurer shall be exhibited at all reasonable times to any zone rep and shall be audited annually by an accounting firm chosen by the majority of the board of Zone Reps." This will be discussed further at September meeting when the By-Law annual review is completed by Board.
 - d. Report approved
4. Hess Lake Board Report was presented by R Finkbeiner
 - a. Reported on weed control and new service provider: Saven
 - b. Discussion around the Wheeler Drain and the back fill which was dumped in the basin. Questions were raised as to why and when it would be removed to avoid flowing back into the canal.
 - c. Questions were raised and discussed regarding the Alger Drain
 - d. Ben Lester was appointed to meet with Dale Twing, Drain Commissioner to get an understanding of the process.
5. Old Business
 - a. Zone 2 Rep position continues to be vacant. Ben will pursue finding someone.
 - b. Secretary Position continues to be vacant. Pat Bertrand volunteered to be Secretary, motion made and approved.
 - c. SOS report:
 - i. Melissa from iZoom sent email reporting a \$3500 donation had been made.
 - ii. 2014 Plans underway for a half marathon, 10 K and Children's 1 mile.
 - iii. Would like 400 registrations and many more sponsorships.
 - d. Water Testing was presented by Ben Lester. Currently there are 6 samples pulled for Phosphorus with cost of \$25. Each site. Discussion around results and that not much is changing.
6. New Business
 - a. Diane brought up 2 issues voiced by membership regarding noise and storage of unlicensed vehicles. Cheryl Rosen had done some online research and it was decided we would provide the links in the

newsletter for the Brooks Twp Ordinances but the best suggestion is to kindly discuss with neighbors about the issues and if not resolved, then call the authorities. HLIA does not have any legal authority to take any action.

- i. Noise Ordinance does state quiet 11 PM to 7 AM
- ii. Twp does take action on unlicensed cars if reported
- b. B Lester brought up "Areas for Improvement" he would like to see discussed at each meeting. The areas mentioned are: Aquatic Plants, Nutrient Loading, Resident Concerns, Sedimentation and Water Depth, Social Activities and Wild Life. Some of these areas are managed and planned for through the purpose of the HLB and therefore, more discussion will need to be had at a future HLIA meeting when a better understanding of the function of the HLB vs HLIA can be discussed. Diane will place topic on Sept agenda.
- c. HLIA Insurance coverage and price was brought up. Discussion included the need to remove the Trailer Park liability portion from the Waterpalooza event. Board decided R Deters would meet with Randy Bishop and discuss to decide what we need and see if we can get one policy rather than 2 separate. Questioning as to why the HLIA needs to be provider of insurance for SOS run when we will not be sponsoring. Might be good time to also get some competing bids. More discussion in Sept.
- d. Leads were identified for following areas:
 - i. Buoys Terry Roelofs
 - ii. Swan/Geese Mark Breen/Denny Brown
 - iii. Carp/Catfish shoot Terry R/Ben Lester
 - iv. Winterfest Renee/Diane

7. Correspondence

- a. Dept of Licensing and Non Profit letter requesting updating on information. It was decided R Deters, Treasurer would be the address used for communication with this agency.

8. Other

- a. Jerry S mentioned there appears to be boat docks and also docking of boats in areas where there may be restrictions and we should continue to keep an eye on the easements, etc.

9. Meeting adjourned at 8:20

Respectfully submitted

Diane French President/Sec