



LOLA meeting: December 9 2023

Meeting called to order @ 9:05 am

Officers Present: Katie Brigham; Pat ten Haaf; Bruce Pickel; Pam Bradfield; Ryan Greenway; Dale Luhban and Curt Johnson

Officers Absent: Steve Powell and Paul Duran

Last month's minutes were e-mailed to each officer. Extra copies are available today along with Pam's tentative 2024 LOLA calendar of events and the treasurer's report. Curt is running the meeting today as Paul had a prior engagement and is unable to attend. Curt asked if everyone read the minutes. No discussion was offered. Pam motioned to accept the minutes and seconded by Bruce.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Katie read the treasury report. A motion was made to accept the report by Ryan and seconded by Pam.

CLUBHOUSE ACTIVITIES REPORT:

Bruce has been taking care of the clubhouse. He came early to turn the heat up. He states he will use a rotor roter to clean out the bathroom sink as the water is not draining properly. Curt asked if we need antifreeze for the pipes. Bruce stated that he had it under control. He is providing the antifreeze.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

We reviewed Pam's tentative 2024 calendar. There was some discussion on possible changes and adding the kid's fishing derby. The newsletter is coming along. Paul has submitted a letter of appreciation he wants included. Pam will talk to Paul about the letter. Pam states the library can print the newsletter for us free of charge and it will be in color. Swift Printing previously printed it for a fee. Pam made a motion that we use the library this year. Pat seconded the motion.

Curt says the Venmo account was cancelled. Katie needs to set up a new Venmo and cash app. QR code will be on the newsletter. There was some discussion about needing both Venmo and cash app but Katie is comfortable with both and it will cover a wider range of participants. Ryan moved to accept the 2 options, Pat seconded the motion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The audit was conducted by Pam Bradfield, Jan ten Haaf, and Cindy Hodges. The books all matched with no financial issues.

The chili cookoff and Euchre party were a success.

NEW BUSINESS:



Katie suggested we change the date for the cornhole tournament next year as April is too wet. Ryan suggested May 18 would work better. Pam talked about scheduling an ORV safety class on Mar 30. She suggested we drop the boater safety class this year and add the ORV. There was some discussion regarding the age for this class. Ages 16 and under must have the class to operate an ORV. DNR may not allow us to charge for this class. We need a minimum of 20 people. Pam will address this in the newsletter.

ACTIVITIES:

There was much discussion about adding a Kayak poker run to the calendar. We talked about how it works and if we could get enough people to make it happen. We can iron out the details later but will schedule this for June 1. June 8/9 is free fishing. Pam wants to make it for the kids. Prizes to the biggest fish is each category. We can have a bonfire. Age 16 and under for the kids fishing derby. Time to be determined.

There was more discussion about the gap in nominations/elections. And, if we need so many meetings. We determined it was necessary to keep them. Ryan made a motion to accept the calendar, Bruce seconded the motion.

There was more discussion about an activities committee. Pam would like more people involved. Ryan will check with Tami Elliston as she previously said she would like to be involved.

Side note: Curt said he received a tote full of safety vests we can use for roadside cleanup. They were donated by Dematic in Grand Rapids.

TOWNSHIP REPORT:

Chris McIntire, M&M Lakes Association President attended today. He is on the Planning Commission for Spencer Township. He states Spencer Township is reviewing the ordinance for short term rentals in the township. February 7 is the next meeting with the township board. On February 13 at 5:30 pm the township will make a decision on acting or not on the short-term rental issue. Spencer township currently has an ordinance that mirrors other counties in the area. We discussed the Air B&B issues on the lakes.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: By Pam Bradfield seconded by Bruce, accepted at 10:04 am.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: by Katie, seconded by Bruce, accepted at 5:29 pm