

**Moose Lake Advancement Association**  
(*Not-yet approved*) Minutes of General Membership Meeting  
6:30 pm, May 23, 2018, Stone Bank School

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:40 pm by Vice President Mike Popp.

2. Roll Call of Officers

- a. President: Joe Mattano, excused
- b. Vice President: Mike Popp, present (acting chair of the meeting)
- c. Treasurer: Ed Langer, present
- d. Secretary: Laura Aaron Sear, present

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Minutes of the September 17, 2017, general membership meeting were reviewed. It was moved and seconded to approve as written; motion carried.

4. Treasurer's Report: Ed Langer

Langer reviewed key aspects of the final report for 2017. The report was audited with no concerns. Langer also shared Report through the first quarter of 2018. No questions or concerns raised.

5. Correspondence: none

6. Committee Reports

a. Lake Management: Mark Olson

Weed Treatments: Olson reported on status of spring treatment for Eurasian Millfoil. The application to the DNR has been approved for 13.7 acres. The DNR Biologist will survey and determine where to spray and when; usually mid June. Treatment cost quoted for \$6400-\$6500, but will be less based on what is actually treated. \$4300-\$4600 is typical.

Membership raised questions and discussed notifications (DNR sends via mail), how the treatment cost is covered (dues and additional member contributions), and water use restrictions (1 day no swimming, 2 days no fish consumption, 2 weeks no irrigation)

Fish Cribs: Olson reported that the ad hoc committee exploring the creation of fish cribs to increase population determined that cribs may not be helpful. This idea will be tabled for the time being, and other options explored.

b. Social: Jan Grimm and Mary Olson

Grimm reminded members to visit the Facebook page for event notices and photos (can be found by searching "@MooseLakeLiving"). Three events were held during late Summer/Fall/Winter: boat tie-up, Packer game watch, and Fisheree. All were successful. Looking to schedule similar events, with the 2019 Fisheree scheduled for the weekend before the SuperBowl. New Committee members are welcome.

c. Website: Greg O'Hearn

O'Hearn noted that he continues to place notices, minutes and other important things on web site. He is looking to upgrade the tool to new Google platform, and wants to get a web address that will be easy to remember. Members suggested placing environmental stewardship property info on web site.

d. Facebook Page: Jan Grimm

Grimm suggested residents post photos of the Lake taken from their piers and lakefronts. Residents may want to post buying/selling info there as well.

7. Old Business

a. High Water:

Popp reported that the water level today is 5 1/8" high.

Popp noted that the discussions with DNR and SEWRPC are on hold due to health issues with the contact person. DNR feels that high water is natural right now and will go in cycles.

SEWRPC feels there may be other possibilities, but a study would cost \$19,000. A grant could assist with much of that cost, but residents would still need to pay \$6-\$7000, and study would only determine what possibilities exist. Board decided to shelve discussion for time being.

Highest recent Lake level was 10 inches in 2008. At the start of spring (when ice receded), it was 3" high. Measurement is taken at the boat launch concrete bulkhead: a 1.5" x 1.5" square hatch mark in the concrete. Lake level must be 7 7/16" or lower to allow wake. Residents questioned and discussed how the level was originally determined (DNR and surveyor were hired to shoot levels based on lowest properties).

b. Membership Handbook:

Laura Aaron Sear is working on an updated Handbook. It was suggested that the Handbook be available on the website to save cost of printing. Website could have a password-protected membership area. Sear suggested offering some printed copies to residents who prefer a hard copy. Suggestion was also made to include information on property care. Gerry Dolphin offered to provide information.

8. New Business

a. Boat Launch changes

Popp reported that the fencing had been damaged during winter and then removed, and that the parking space originally designated for official/DNR use was no longer restricted (instead opened to public access). Fence will not be replaced, but rough stone has been added along the edges of the road to deter parking. Popp and Kyle Strigenz both connected with separate contacts at the DNR to protest the addition of a public space. [Original memo of understanding with DNR states that there be 5 public vehicle-trailer spaces, 1 handicap-accessible vehicle-trailer space, 4 vehicle-only spaces, and one DNR/official space.] DNR has since re-posted the restriction on the official space. Both Popp and Strigenz are following up with other officials on specific wording to hopefully finalize the issue.

b. Membership Committee

Popp thanked the ad hoc Membership committee (Sibylle Krause, Dick & Sandy Aaron, and Sue Keely) for going door-to-door during the fall. Membership increased from 59 to 80.

## 9. Election of Officers

Popp noted that the Board had hoped to increase voter and candidate participation by having a Nominating committee determine willing candidates, and then distributing paper ballots. It was an experiment that was not necessarily successful. Many residents questioned the inclusion of name/address on the ballot, and the number of “votes” per household. Langer felt that elections at this time were not appropriate due to these issues and concern over what is outlined in the By-Laws. Popp noted, however, that there were no longer contested races for six of the eight positions: President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, Northside Board Member, and Eastside Board Member. Motions to approve each nominee were made and seconded, in turn, and each was approved in turn. Results were:

- President: Greg O’Hearn
- Vice President: Charlie Harkins
- Treasurer: Sue Laabs
- Secretary: Kyle Strigenz
- Northside Member: Dave Hartleip
- Eastside Member: Nick Rakich

For the Southside Board position, Jan Grimm withdrew from consideration. It was moved, seconded, and approved to elect Gerry Dolphin as representative. Both Yvonne Lindl and Gery Sawall were willing to serve in the Westside Board position; it was moved, seconded, and approved to have both of them represent the West side.

Dick Aaron moved a resolution to thank the current/departing Board members for their work. New officers were thanked for their willingness to serve.

## 10. Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted  
Laura Aaron Sear, May 28, 2018