

Pickerel Lake Improvement Association

Board Meeting May 4, 2024

Maine Township Hall

Members present: Todd Champ, Zach Fjestad, Kevin Hutchison, Pete Jacobson, Molly Johnson, Steve Klemm, Rick Kylo, Jayson Storo, Beth Wicklund

Members absent: Mike Iverson, Vicki Quist, Dawn Streifel

Meeting was called to order at 8:30 AM by Pres. Fjestad. Agenda was accepted as presented. Wicklund read the minutes of the Sept. 9, 2023 board meeting. M/Jacobson; S/Hutchison to approve as read. Jacobson presented the treasurer's report in the absence of Quist. The operating balance is currently \$33,085.14 (less \$15,000 CD = \$18,085.14) with the spray escrow funds being \$14,775.00 for a total of \$47,860.14. M/Wicklund; S/Klemm to approve the treasurer's report. M/Storo; S/Johnson to approve Quist to open a new CD in the amount of \$10,000 at Farmers State Bank for a 13 mo. term @ 5.25% interest. In other financial matters, the 2023 tax return was not filed, but an extension has been filed (Steve Helle.) The \$10,000 CD that matured on April 17, 2024 has been redeemed. Klemm presented the water quality report. No data was available for 2024 as he has not been able to access the website. Readings from 2023 were reviewed: June 26=17 ft; July=no reading; Aug. 21=13 ft; Sept. 17=14 ft. The outlet is currently running; water was not running on Apr. 5th. No previous spring on record had that occurrence.

Old Business:

*AED machine location update: Wicklund reported that the Maine Township board in the fall of 2023 was not in favor of allowing the AED to be placed at the township-owned public access along Birchwood Shore Dr. Instead, the township had agreed to allow the PLIA to install the AED in township road right of way near the public access (adjacent to fence gate separating the access from the Wicklund property.) The goal is to have the AED installed before the annual mtg in June.

*Newsletter debrief: Newsletter was sent to residents. Fjestad will check with the printing division of Otter Tail Power to get another cost quote for future newsletter printings. Jacobson will contact Judy Berget to place ads in local papers for the lakewide garage sale.

*Annual meeting speaker topics, other preparation: Chris LeClair, OTC Land & Resource director, will be the guest speaker. He will be asked to give an overview of what his department covers. For food, Dutchkinz, owned by lake property owner Sebastian Hermans, will be asked to provide pastries. Otter Tail Bakery will be a second option.

*Bylaw changes: Review of current bylaws and possible changes will be looked at in the upcoming year.

New Business:

*PLIA mtg location: Once Wicklund's term on the lake board is fulfilled in June, the township hall will no longer be available for PLIA meetings, per the decision of the Maine Twp board of supervisors. New location starting in July will be Zion Lutheran Church of Amor.

*Election of new officers: The terms of Jacobson and Wicklund will come to an end at the annual meeting in June. Fjestad and Quist both are eligible to serve a second term.

*Pickerel Lake online repository for files/info: Fjestad indicated Google Drive would be an option.

*Directory updates: No new directory this year; typically done every 2 yrs

Reminders: Adopt-A-Highway cleanup is Sat, May 18, starting @ St James Catholic Church @ 10:30 AM. Champ will coordinate. 2024 Annual Mtg is Sat, June 15 @ 9:00 AM @ Zion Lutheran Church of Amor. Lakewide garage sale is Sat, June 22.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:58 AM (M/Wicklund; S/Klemm.) The next regular meeting of the PLIA board is scheduled for Sat, June 8 @ 8:30 AM @ Maine Twp Hall.

Respectfully submitted by Beth Wicklund, Board Secretary