

# Loon Lake Property Owners Association

## Monthly Board Meeting

October 12, 2023

Meeting began 6:31 p.m

Introductions of Board: Sue Poe, President, Holly Shamberger, Secretary, Mark Whittaker, Treasurer, Deanna Yamane, Vice-President, Sondra Collins, Joann Caruso, Dick Davies

Guests: Eric Davis, Henry Howe, John Poe, Diana Young, Kate Robbins, Cindy Knapp

Sue Poe asked for public comment: all guests stated they were attending to stay informed.

No changes to agenda

### **Approval of Minutes:**

Joann made a motion to approve September 14, 2023 minutes, Mark seconded, and the motion carried.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Mark reported there was \$45,000 in the checking account. Fireworks expenses for the year exceeded revenue by \$600 which will be made up by the general donations fund (not dues) There was discussion regarding categories on Treasurer report.

Sue brought up the \$50 per month to LLHS for meeting room. Deanna stated in previous meeting voted to go to \$50. Kate R. stated there will be a membership group for LLHS that we could be a partner in. **Mark stated he will meet with Kate to find out how much we are in arrears.**

### **Budget:**

Sue provided a document showing how we have spent money over the last 4 years. It was noted that water testing may be higher in the future.

**Sue asked each Chairperson to take the winter and make a proposed budget to bring to the spring meeting. Deanna said she has a general idea of the fireworks budget & will bring to spring meeting.**

### **Dock Demo:**

Mark & Jason West have been working on dock demo & hauling particulars. We still have not been billed for backhoe & have a few reimbursements. So far Dock Demo expenses were \$7500 with \$2600 in income. We need to reach out to EZ Dock to develop a workable plan that doesn't put us in the business of removing old docks from the lake, once they've sold residents a new one. **There was discussion regarding a proposed letter that would be sent to the dock company. It was decided that making a phone call first would be nicer before a letter was sent.**

### **Water Quality:**

The September 15th foray was a beautiful day, although the water capture bottle was leaking a lot of water. Since it is an elastic tube, we have a fix for that. Sue called Joel Orchard, DOE. He said that in order to be eligible for grants, you have to have a problem and a solution. If we were looking for a grant, we might be better off going through the Stevens County Conservation

District. Sue spoke with Dean Hellie and brainstormed. Our primary goal at this time is to get our data recorded with the Department of Ecology. Tshimakain Creek Labs quotes us \$900 to provide a summary of our lake water quality results including trends from 2007 to current for Total Phosphorus, Total Nitrogen, Chlorophyll a, dissolved oxygen, pH and temperature. She felt progress was being made.

**Chipper day report:**

There were four volunteers from Loon Lake and Deer Lake was well represented. Each group made \$285. It was decided to hold Chipper Day on June 8 in 2024 to avoid conflicting with Loonsday.

**Website:**

The website is up to date. Two QUAPs are on there, the Website is secure according to Jessica Varang, but they will charge too much if we want to use them to pay our dues and for donations. Sue will meet with Kate to learn more about what the historical society is doing on their website. The survey is available there and sends a notice to our gmail account each time one is completed.

**Newsletter:**

Over 900 newsletters were mailed using bulk mail, with return address requested notation, so we can continue to update our database. Cindy Knapp asked if there was disclosure that survey not confidential. Sue will edit the website to clarify.

**Strategic Planning:**

Sue talked with a facilitator to get help regarding the survey. He felt we were doing a lot of things well. The results of the survey will be used for developing plans for the season.

**Email:**

Sue thanked Deanna for her help getting access to LLPOA gmail. Sue accessed over 300 emails that needed a response.

**Snails:**

Sue asked about the snails that have been sighted around the lake. Lee said the snails are native to the lake.

**Next meeting:**

March 14, 2024

**Loon Lake Dam:**

Larry Gaddis brought up a petition regarding the Loon Lake Dam and said all the information is complete and the petition will be filed soon. Copies will be available for LLPOA. Dam issues include: who owns it; who takes care of it; how are repairs going to be paid for; who pays for ongoing maintenance. Henry Howe has been making repairs to the dam. DOE says they do not own it.

Meeting adjourned 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,