

Springfield Lake Shore Improvement Association
4th Quarter Board Meeting
November 10th, 2021

President Aiello called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by Roll Call.

1. Roll Call:

Board members present: John Aiello, Dee Kirby, Terry Moody, Micah King, Mary Pat Cavanagh, Dawn Keiser, Larry Michaud, Jim Corrigan, Lisa Wentworth, Becky Hendricks, Cynthia Lamar, Valerie Nester, Carol Schempp, Rob Tucker, Markus Veile and Adam Pallai (Council of Lake Clubs).

Board members Excused: Jeff Cox

Board members Absent: Peter Murphy

Guests: Greg and Sheri Vogt (Lake Owners), Dan Brill (CWLP), Todd LaFountain (CWLP), and Tammy Miller (IDNR).

2. Guest Speakers:

Dan Brill stated that all lake owners are to be reminded to call CWLP, Sarah Lindholm extension 125 when trees are needing to be cut down or have major limbs to be cut. The lake property does belong to the City and preservation of the land is a priority. Dan stated that if lower limbs are scratching up against the house or are a nuisance when you mow, then those are permitted to be trimmed without a call to CWLP. Terry Miller (IDNR) said that there is a "disease" amongst white oaks called Hypoxylon Canker. It's a disease that appears as dark areas and causes the bark to shed. She stated that it's "contagious" amongst other trees so it's important to take action (call CWLP) against this condition as soon as you see it. Another member of the Board stated that she thought pin oaks was also dying. Dan said that pin oaks live to be about 75-100 years old and many of the pin oaks around the Lake fall within that age group. Larry Michaud brought up an idea to Dan and Todd to consider that each lake owner would be permitted to trim or cut down one tree without a permit. Dan and Todd stated that they would bring this to the consideration of CWLP.

Dan stated that Hawthorne, Linden Lane, Elms, Idlewood and a piece of E. Lakeshore was on the list for the next pavement to be installed.

Dan followed up that Lincoln Greens, Linden Lane and Hawthorne Lane were also on the list for city sewer to be installed. Todd stated that this would be a 2.6 million dollar project and that new grants were being applied for and a revised intergovernmental agreement was being drawn up and managed by Public Works and the Sanitary District. No dates available at this time.

Tammy Miller stated that there were 922 applications for the 5 chosen lake sites that permitted deer to be hunted this season. Amongst those hunters' names drawn, there was an average of 18 years archery experience amongst those. After the first hunt in October, there

were 15 deer reported being taken but there could be some more reported numbers yet in the stated reporting timeframe. The next hunting season is December 16-31. There have been no injuries or problems and Terry stated that she hopes that more lake sites can be opened in 2022.

3. Treasurer's Report: Lisa Wentworth

Please see the two (2) attachments for the 4th quarter financial details from Lisa. There was a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and Audit by Dee Kirby and a 2nd given by John Aiello and approved by the Members present.

4. Secretary's Report: Dee Kirby

Dee had emailed all members of the board, the July Board Minutes. There were no further additions or corrections to these Minutes. There was a motion to approve the Secretary's Report by Lisa Wentworth and a 2nd given by Mary Pat Cavanagh and approved by the majority of members present.

5. President's Report-John Aiello

Old Business:

The directory, notice of membership dues and the event calendar are due to be out 2022. Lisa Wentworth (Treasurer) stated that she still needs to invoice the Marina for the scholarships that were awarded earlier in 2021. Lisa and Mary Pat stated that the deposit that was given to the caterer for the cancelled September Dinner on the Waterfront was still being held. The deposit is good for 1.5 years to be returned when another event is scheduled. There was a motion to approve this Old Business Report by Jim Corrigan and a 2nd given by Valerie Nester and approved by the Members present.

Other Business:

John stated that he would like to see more social scheduled events in 2022. Looking back, he was glad about the decision to cancel the September Waterfront Dinner and believes it was the right thing to do during this Covid Pandemic. Also reminded members that annual dues are to be paid prior to the January Annual Meeting and nominations. According to the Bylaws there has to be a 30 day notice prior to the Annual Meeting. John stated that mailers will be mailed again this year as well as published on the website. The dues form can be found on the SLSIA website. There was a motion to approve the Other Business by Valerie Nester and a 2nd given by Dee Kirby and approved by the majority of members present.

6. Report on Committees:

Membership Committee: Becky Hendricks-Chair & John Aiello-Co Chair:

Becky and John plan to send out membership renewal notices per mail. Beck sent out a membership form to new lake home owners after they purchased a lake home in 2021. They also plan to send out a separate mailing regarding notice of the annual meeting. Cynthia Lemar noted that there probably needed to be a change in the new Bylaws stating that notification of the annual meeting could also be done per email. John stated that all lake members had emails except for a very few. The cost of the printing for these mailings have been approximately \$800.00 in the past year. **The Annual SLSIA Meeting will be held January 19th at the**

Fire Fighters Club. Discussion held regarding if food would be served at this meeting as it had in the past, i.e. soup, dessert, etc. It was decided amongst the Board that only individual wrapped snacks such as chips would be furnished at this year's meeting in the best interest of Covid Precautions and Dee volunteered to go and purchase those for the meeting.

Newsletter, Website and Facebook (Marketing): Markus Veile

Markus Veile stated he had been publishing the SLSIA Newsletter every other month and would appreciate any content that he could use. There were several suggestions that one of our sponsors could be highlighted in each publication related to their activities and/or purpose and that a CWLP or IDNR report of interest could be included as well.

Bylaw Committee: Cynthia Lamar

Cynthia Lamar emailed all Board Members a copy of the latest Bylaws, which have been updated to include changes that were approved at the last Annual Meeting. The Board thanks Cynthia for all of her expertise in updating these Bylaws.

Auditing Committee: Terry Moody

Terry Moody completed the 2020 SLSIA Audit which states: The 2020 SLSIA audit has been completed. The audit committee believes that the 2020 books and records present accurately the financial situation of the SLSIA. Audit work papers are available for review. The following procedures were completed: Reviewed bank statements and register of the Money Market Account. Review of all 2020 bank reconciliations. Traced some items to bank statements, check register and deposit register. Reviewed some outstanding items to verify that they cleared. Year-end checking account balance verified and reconciled. Review of 2020 check register. Traced some items to bank statements and bank reconciliation. Review of 2020 bank statements. Traced some items to check register and deposit register. Physically counted petty cash. Terry complimented Lisa on a job well done with the financial books.

City Council Liaison Report: Kim Curry & Micah King

Micah King stated that nothing to report other than what our guests from CWLP and IDNR had reported and stated earlier in minutes.

Nominating Committee:

President John Aiello asked Micah King if he would assist Becky on this committee. Micah stated he would. Dee will send Becky a list of which members are due up for re-election each year.

Directory Committee: John Aiello

John stated that the directory is due out in 2022 and he will need assistance with this project in the future. He has an older version of Excel and needs someone with a newer version and format. The deadline for Directory content is July and it will be distributed and mailed in August 2022.

Sherel Nutt Scholarship Committee: Jim Corrigan

Jim stated that he will start contacting high school counselors and announcing the process for SLSIA Scholarships but will not state the amount of each scholarship at this time until the Board can vote at the February meeting on the number and amount of 2022 scholarships to be given out.

Lake Clean Up Committee: John Aiello

John reported that the Lake Clean up is always the first Saturday in May but there was discussion regarding availability of the Boy Scouts that weekend etc. It was decided to change the Lake Clean Up Day to April 30th, 2022 starting at 9:00 a.m. John usually contacts schools for any interest in students doing community work as well as the Boy Scouts. The Marina in the past has served as the sign up and assignment venue for this day. John will contact the Marina to see if April 30th will be ok with their schedule. Cynthia pointed out that the Bylaws state that the Clean Up Day should occur in early April each year. She offered to draft a Bylaws amendment to make the statement more general and ensure that our practice and the Bylaws are consistent.

Social Events Committee:

There was a suggestion that the social events for 2022 be decided and scheduled as soon after the new year as possible. Currently there is not a chair of this committee but the current interested Board Members felt that they could all work together and take pieces of responsibility for each event so it didn't fall to just the chair to oversee. Adam Pallai suggested that SLSIA may include the lake clubs and create monthly public events with food trucks and donate the money made to a community service/need. Dee Kirby is to email all Board Members to see if they had any interest in serving on this Social Event Committee.

Lake Clubs Events Schedule Committee:

Adam stated that he and Larry Michaud were getting dates for all 2022 lake clubs' events. Kent Kaiser will put the 2022 calendar together for publication. Larry made a motion for SLSIA to cover all printing costs of the 2022 Calendar. Mary Pat Cavanagh seconded the motion and approved by the majority of members present.

Adam will make the change in the 2022 calendar to reflect the Clean Up Day to April 30th. Adam also reminded the group that on January 22nd, 2022 the Council of Lake Clubs will sponsor a Night of Blues. The fee of \$15.00 will cover the entrance fee to the Jr. Blues Game as well as a sandwich, chips, etc. There will need to be advertising for this event.

There was a motion to approve the Committees' Reports by Valerie Nester and a 2nd given by Micah King and approved by the majority of members present.

New Business: John Aiello

John stated that he and Adam were asked by the Mayor to represent the Home Owners of Lake Springfield on the Mayors Committee to review and draft a land usage agreement for lake properties. When the areas of the lake were annexed into the city, these areas didn't

necessarily meet compliance. John and Adam talked about how well this Committee has made progress on this agreement and having it amended. One of the things that this Committee acted on was to put into City Code the campground rules at the Lake Clubs and to set standards to clean things up. Some of the changes would include that there would be no more than 20 campers per planned site, that has to be approved by the city and there needed to be distance between campers. No tent camping. Electrical, water, sanitary disposal at each site would be approved by the City. Any fires must have acceptable and approved fire rings. Fires must be supervised at all times. CWLP will be the first point of contact. Campers would need to be operable with current plates and registration. All campers camping in campers must have a club member with them at all times. No permanent camping and the campers must be able to be moved. All campers must have a permit issued by the city which would be good for April 1 through March 31 and would cost \$40 per year. Campers could stay year-round but cannot live there year-round. John wanted this Committee's meeting document which stated the above on record for this meeting and discussion.

Adam stated that 6 of the clubs currently have camping.

Adam offered to get help in setting up for SLSIA's Annual Meeting at the Firefighters Club and Becky is to call the SLSIA Sponsors to see if they would be interested in having a table and information about their services at the meeting.

John reminded the group that Dee has decided to resign after her term as Secretary and her last meeting in the Secretarial Role would be after the January Annual Meeting. The Board is needing members to consider stepping into this role.

The meeting was called to end at 7:20. There was a motion to adjourn tonight's meeting by Lisa Wentworth and a 2nd given by Larry Michaud and approved by the majority of members present.

Next:

**Annual Board Meeting: Wednesday, January 19th, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.
at the Firefighter's Club**

Respectively Submitted,

Dee

Dee Kirby