**Springfield Lake Shore Improvement Association**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Lincoln Memorial Gardens**

February 17, 2016, 6:00pm

1. **Welcome and Pledge**

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by President Vautrain with the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. **Attendance:**

Board members in attendance: Jeannie Capranica, Aaron Evans, Joan Freitag, John Finnell, Becky Hendricks, Teri Holland, Micah King, Pam McFarland, Valerie Nester, Fred Pryor, Bud Saputo, Carol Schempp, and Justin Tintori

Board members absent: Rich Berning, Dawn Keiser, Vicki McGuar, Larry Michaud, and Peter Murphy

The following represents the current board with the expiration year for each term:

Rich Berning, term ends 2016

Jeannie Capranica, term ends 2016

Aaron Evans, term ends 2016

Bud Saputo, term ends 2016

Justin Tintori, term ends 2016

Becky Hendricks, term ends 2017

Teri Holland, term ends 2017

Dawn Keiser term ends 2017

Vicki McGuar, term ends 2017

Larry Michaud, term ends 2017

Peter Murphy, term ends 2017

Courtney Ostrowski, term ends 2017

Micah King, term ends 2018

Joan Freitag, term ends 2018

Valerie Nester, term ends 2018

Fred Pryor, term ends 2018

Carol Schempp, term ends 2018

John Finnell, Council of Clubs representative, term ends 2016

Cheri Sloat, term ends 2016, resigned early, Pam McFarland will complete term

Mark Haehn, term ends 2017, resigned early

Jeff Cozzens, term ends 2016, resigned early

Steven Koch, term ends 2016, resigned early

Nadine Neumeister, term ends 2016, resigned early

Lin Vautrain, term ends 2015

1. **Minutes** (November 2015): Teri Holland

Following a motion from Aaron Evans and second from Bud Saputo, the November 18, 2015 quarterly board minutes were approved.

1. **Treasurer’s report**

Lin Vautrain presented the Treasurer’s report for the period of December 14, 2015 through February 17, 2016. The current checking account balance is $17,345.11 and the current savings account balance is $29,679,23. Total expenses for the period were $2,942.89 and total income was $4,584.05.

A switch has been made to an on-line PayPal account for membership renewal as part of the new website. Once everyone begins using this portal, it will be so much more efficient and less time consuming to keep track of current members. Currently, eight sponsors have renewed and there are 87 member renewals.

The Treasurer’s report was approved as presented, following a motion by Becky Hendricks and second by Valerie Nester.

1. **Introduction of New Board Member**

We welcomed Pam McFarland to the board. Pam is finishing up the term vacated by Cheri Sloat. Pam lives on Maple Grove with her husband, Kent. She retired from the Illinois State Fair two years ago. She worked for the Dept. of Agriculture for 23 years.

1. **Election of Officers-**

The Nominating Committee presented the following slate for the Executive Committee:

President- Aaron Evans, Vice President- Courtney Ostrowski, Secretary-Teri Holland, Treasurer- Fred Pryor, and 5th executive board member to be appointed by the new president.

Cheri Sloat made a motion to approve the slate of Executive Officers. Pam McFarland provided a second and all voted favor. The Executive Board was approved as presented.

Lin Vautrain turned the meeting over to new president, Aaron Evans. Aaron appointed Jeannie Capranica to serve as the 5th member of the Executive Board.

1. **Chairman for 2016 Committees**- The 2016 Chairpersons are as follows:

Directory - Micah King

Website - Courtney Ostrowski & Jeannie Capranica, co-chairs

Newsletter - Jeannie Capranica,

Photo Contest - Jeannie Capranica,

Bylaws - Aaron Evans,

Lake Maintenance - Bud Saputo,

Safety-Valerie Nester & Lin Vautrain, co-chairs

Scholarship -Teri Holland,

New Membership - Becky Hendricks,

Roads and Infrastructure – tabled for this meeting

Building & Zoning - Rich Berning

Watershed -Teri Holland,

Neighborhood Watch -Lin Vautrain,

Life Jacket program - Lin Vautrain

Social Events - Valerie Nester

1. **2016 Events** - Valerie Nester,

Wine/Beer Tasting - (Valerie Nester) There will be no Wine or Beer tasting event this year. Valerie had a lot of problems getting a wine distributor to host the event last year due to the legal issues associated with the off-premise sale of alcohol. The laws are being strictly enforced.

Clean up Day- (Larry Michaud) Larry was not present

Golf Outing - (Bud Saputo)

The date is May 27th. The charge is $15/person. Jeannie made the flyer for the event, with a few changes from last year. Bud thought that passing out the flyers last year was a waste of time. He plans to advertise more at the clubs and to post the flyers at the clubs and marina. Bud would like to see two people on the winning hole this year to ensure honesty. He also wants to put a letter in the newsletter to help get sponsors. Midstate Meats is catering the event. All proceeds from the event will go to the kid’s wave runner safety course scheduled for June 11th.

Wave runner Program – (Lin Vautrain)

The wave runner safety course for children will be held June 11th on the water. Bob Sayre (CWLP) is helping to get the word out early. The Marina, CWLP, and the Land of Lincoln Power Squadron are all participating in this course.

Family Picnic - June 26th was set as the date of the Family Picnic at Larry and Loretta Michaud’s home. This year we are combining the Family Picnic and BBQ events into a single mid-day event.

Barbecue -

There will be no separate BBQ event this year.

Dinner on Waterfront (Valerie Nester)

Valerie has been looking for a venue for the event. The Beach House is not an option this year. Last year there were 128 people at IBYC. The Motor Boat Club can hold 180, the DAV 179, and the Elks 150. She is still waiting to hear back from the Firefighters Club. John Finnell volunteered to help with this committee.

1. **Committee Report**

Scholarship (Teri Holland)

The application deadline is April 15th this year. An announcement has gone out to local papers and all high school counselors have been notified.

New Membership – (Becky Hendricks)

The first meeting of the committee was in January. Twelve people attended the meeting. All in attendance volunteered to help at the Annual Meeting.

Building and Zoning – (Rich Berning)

Ann tucker and Becky Hendricks volunteered to be on the committee.

Watershed – (Teri Holland)

A draft report of the Lake Springfield Watershed Plan is in the final stages of

development. The deadline to submit the draft report is next month.

Neighborhood Watch - (Lin Vautrain)

Lin is still looking for Lane captains.

Life Jacket Program – (Lin Vautrain)

Lin has expanded the Program to more areas on the Lake. There are now life jackets for dogs and children. The Annual Boat check event will be June 4th at Lindsay Bridge.

Newsletter – (Jeannie Capranica)

Jeannie would like article for the newsletter by the 25th of each month so that the newsletter can come out the 1st of each month. She would like to thank everyone that has submitted articles. She needs more articles.

1. **Reports**
   1. CWLP (Steve Frank)

Water has been flowing over the dam since Dec. 12th. 22,904 million gallons of water has gone over the dam (143% of the total water in the lake). The lake is still in winter mode, therefore the lake level is being held at 6” below full pool. The lake has frozen and thawed many time. 33 bald eagles were seen by the lake north of the dam. Over 14,000 snow geese visited the lake last week. CWLP received a new gauge to monitor lake level. They are currently working on updating Hunter Lake data for the Illinois EPA, hopefully to obtain a permit. For FY17, the utility’s budget was cut $7 million, primarily on the electric side of the utility. Most of the money spent around the lake is from the Water Budget. There is money in the budget for a small dredging project using geotubes. There were 31 home sales on the lake last year.

1. **Next meeting dates**

There will be five meeting dates scheduled for the year. They will be every other month on the third Wednesday at 6:00 pm. Meeting locations will be announced at a later date. The remaining dates for this year will be:

April 20th

June 15th

August 17th

October 19th

Annual Meeting will be January 18, 2017

1. **Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm following a motion by Becky Hendricks and second by Fred Pryor.

Respectfully submitted,

Teri Holland, Secretary