

CLA General Membership Meeting Minutes

Saturday May 27th, 2017

Meeting called to order:

The 2017 Spring Clear Lake Association membership meeting was called to order by the President David Paulson at 9:03am. All Board of Directors were present, except for Stephen Buron/Secretary, as well as 33 property owners. Roberts Rules of Order were established as the protocol for this meeting. Meeting agenda was distributed.

Officers Reports:

Secretary Report

Minutes from the 2016 Fall membership meeting held on September 3, 2016 were read by David Paulson. Motion to approve the Secretary's report was made by Bill Feyo and seconded by Dave Aikin. Minutes were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report

Gretchen Paulson presented the current financial condition of the CLA.

Current balance as of April 2017 was \$7124.96. The previous reported balance on September 2016 was \$7176.73 showing a net decrease of \$52 (expense for USPS newsletter mailing). Gretchen reported she has 15 checks received for dues that are not included in these totals.

Motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Keith Kellen and seconded by Bob Standaert. **Motion carried**

Reports/Discussion Topics:

- **Lake Report/Invasive Species** (Aitkin County) - Bill Feyo
 - Water sampling - Bill reported no water samplings as this is done every other year and that Veliger check will be done in July.
 - Boat landing inspector - will continue again this summer on weekends and holidays. Paid for by the county.

- DNR fish stocking - Bill reported the fry didn't do well and they will be doing fingerlings.
- Lake water level management update - Bill Feyo
 - Bill described the process of getting a permit from the DNR to widen the drainage outlet on the north corner of Keith Kellens property. It was found that the permit application must be accompanied by a study done by a professional civil engineer at the cost of approx. \$20-\$25K. Bill declined to go any further.
 - Bill reported that the NW and SW outlets have been kept open. Bruce Brown has been clearing and removing beaver dams and will continue his efforts. Dawn Kellen suggested we give Bruce something in appreciation. Bill Feyo made a motion to give him a \$50 gift certificate to the Pine Inn and seconded by Keith Kellen. **Motion carried**
 - Bill Feyo also reported that the water clarity test done by Gary Messer showed that the readers were between 16 and 20 feet.
- **4th of July Parade** - John Slettom ok'd the line-up on his property again this year and will recruit help. Bill Feyo is needing more volunteers for parking. Line up starts at 9am, parade at 10:30am. Chris from the Glen Store will order and pay for the 3 outhouses and CLA will reimburse for 1 of them. Keith Keller reported that he has approx. 1000 flags left that have been donated by the Mills Family. There will be no further flag donations so the plan is to use 500 this year and 500 next year.
- **Boat Parade** will be held on Sunday July 2nd, 2017 @ 2pm. Flyers will be made and passed out again this year by Greg and Rick. Line up will start at the boat landing. Bob Miller has generously donated \$50. \$25 to be awarded to the winner (judged by Rick Hults and Bill Feyo) and \$25 awarded by a drawing (all decorated boats that participate will be entered). Information on how to enter your boat for the parade will be on the flyer.
- **ACALRA** - No update as Bob McElrath (our representative) was absent from the meeting.
- **Lake Level Report** - Dave Kohanek reported that the lake level is below the "high normal" level (1297.15)

As a point of reference, Normal High Water Level of Clear Lake as established by the MN DNR is: 1297.40

- July 11, 2016 1298.11 (highest reading ever)
- April 18, 2017 1297.25
- May 16, 2017 1297.1

Dave makes reports to the DNR monthly.

Dave reported that all elevations can be found on the DNR website under Lake Finder and go back to the 1940's.

<http://dnr.state.mn.us/lakefind/showlevel.html?downum=01009300>

- **Rivers & Lakes Fair** will be held on June 17, 2017 @ the Aitkin HS from 9am-2pm.
- **Website** - no updates <http://clearlake.mnlakesandrivers.org>
- **Highway clean-up** set for May 30, 2017 @ 9am

Other Business:

- Bill Feye reported that there have been two burglaries around the lake.
- Riverwood Hospital expansion 2 guest speakers (Paula Fisher and Dave)
 - Breaking ground and remodel will be in July with renovations to the Kidney Care unit, Specialty Clinic, Primary Care, Rehabilitation, Orthopaedics, and a new Dialysis Unit.
 - If you would like to make a tax deductible contribution you can contact 218-927-5158 or knelson2@riverwoodhealthcare.org
- **Door Prizes** - awarded to Charlie Knox and Dave Kohanec
- **2017 CLA Fall Meeting:** Scheduled for Saturday September 2, 2017, 9am at the Pine Inn

Meeting Adjournment:

- Motion was made by Keith Kellen and seconded by Pat Feye at 9:57am
 - **Motion carried**