WTLC Meeting, August 29, 2023, Minutes

Library Meeting Room and Zoom Link

Present: Tom Kocim, John Grimmer (Town Board Liaison), Jim Evans, Darryl Gust, Susan Esslinger, Dave Lull, Glenn Goldschmidt, Jim Logan, Steve Budnik, Arlene Kellert, Dick Logan, Nick Newton, Dave Burger, Rolf Ethun (Committee Chair).

Meeting Called to Order at 9:00AM by Rolf E. with The Pledge of Allegiance.

July 2023 Minutes approved with Motion by Steve B., Second by Darryl G.

Meeting Agenda approved with Motion by Dave L., Second by Jim L.

Financial Report presented by Rolf E. No change in finances since the July, 2023 meeting.

- \$1000 Discretionary Funds
- \$15,000 used by the North Lakeland Discovery Center
- \$20,000 Emergency Reserve

A Motion for WTLC to join the Vilas County Lakes and Rivers Association for one year (\$50) was made by Steve B., Second by Jim E. Motion approved.

Report from Town Board presented by John G.

- WIFI for camera use has been employed at Lion's Park.
- The Lions Club paid for a router to keep the cost lower.
- Cell Tower negotiations have broken down. We are looking at potential conversations with Spectrum.
- Lion's Club cleaned out the Park storage unit and found one very large tent and one very large stainless steel ice chest. Suggestion: look at Wisconsin Surplus online.

NLDC Water Department Report: (Jamie's email)

- Jamie is on part-time with maternity leave.
- Richie is funded through October. Jamie is hoping to fund another six months.
- Interns have all returned to their universities/colleges.
- Onterra's Management Plan for Harris Lake includes dealing with infestation of curly leaf pond weed.
- Early September will bring yellow iris dig-up.
- Purple Loosestrife sightings should be reported to Jamie.

Old Business: Wake Surfing Activity Recommendation from WTLC to Town Planning Board:

In the interest of safety, shoreline health, and the important issue of AIS, the WTLC recommends two qualifiers for safe usage of wake surfing activities: a minimum depth of 20 feet and a minimum distance from shore of 700 feet. We further recommend the 100% drainage of bilge, dry wells, and ballast of all boats to stem the spread of AIS.

New Business: Onterra has completed their surveys and Jamie has the information. Arlene K. will be collecting all fishing lines from collection lake tubes.

Motion to Adjourn: approved. Motion by Dave L., Second by Jim E.