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Board Meeting 12/5/18

Offices of Askin & Hooker, Woodport Rd., Sparta, NJ

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 pm by President Bill Askin

In attendance: Bill Askin, Brenda Klumpp, Jim Wardell, Holly Fiorella, Marie Cramer, Craig Kalucki, Laura Parker (late at 8:15pm)

Volunteers: Bill Askin Sr (Treasurer), Gene DePrez, Ernie Hofer

Excused: Pam Vreeland

Absent: Tom Murray, Karin Kraska

Call to Order, Roll Call, Approval of Meeting Minutes – Quorum was confirmed 7:40pm. Minutes from 10/24/18 were introduced. Motion to approve October minutes was called by Brenda, seconded by Jim, no additional discussion. Vote to approve was unanimous.

Presidents Report - Bill introduced meeting schedule for 2019. All meetings are on the 4th Wednesday of each month, beginning **January 23 at 7pm**. Paperwork to obtain permits for Fishing club raffle has been completed. After requesting a raffle permit from the town, a raffle can begin. Suggest a big event such as Earth Day precelebration for the drawing.

Nominating Committee. (Marie, Pam and Craig) The committee has been unsuccessful with their leads. Marie has a new potential board member and will check with Joe Fleming from the Yacht Club. Holly will ask Rob Otto if he is interested. We need to replace Mike Whittham, 2 other expiring terms. Those 2 current board members will continue in office. Concern about board member participation and meeting attendance. Bill will followup with Karin K to see if she wishes to continue as a board member. Marie will followup with Tom M. We need members who will be active with our fundraisers and events.

Action: We need one replacement board member. Please give ideas to the committee.

Finance Committee/Treasurers report - Investment/spend policy: \$25,000 has been moved into an investment account. Current balance of 28,386.21 remains in our checking account as of today. P & L year to date provided. Fran Smith Recognition Event discussed and a comparison of profit from the event 2017-2018 was presented.

Action: Motion to approve treasurer's report, including financial statements was made by Jim, seconded by Craig. Unanimously approved.

Annual Lake Preservation Recognition Celebration - Saturday, Nov. 17. Craig suggested marketing donors on Social Media and Papoose. (***please look at Facebook, large donors were recognized***). Papoose recognition will occur in January, as the deadline for copy submission is the 5th of each month. On November 5, Laura only had 1 large donor to publish (for Dec. Papoose). Dec. 5 deadline- others will be recognized in January.

Discussion about updates to website. Laura does some updates. Karin does most as Laura does not feel comfortable with making updates. More updates are needed. We did have one person register for the recognition event via our website.

Special letters to current donors will be sent in August/September. The letter will include what we have done and what we plan to do with money.

Thank yous are needed for sponsorships. Marie took cards.

Discussion about the event, the time, day of the week, month, music, food and more took place. Saturday night was difficult to get people out. Rich Cramer worked a lot to set up the AV, even though he was not the person we paid to do it.

Bill has a bill from LMCC that we need to pay. Upon review, Event Chairpersons feel we were overcharged.

Action: Brenda will followup with LMCC before we pay bill. Marie will send around a request for thoughts about the event to all board members (pos and neg) and will compile. Laura will give Craig login instructions for website.

Grant Applications Committee . (Laura, Craig, Marie) Bill has 2 grant requests and asks that the committee review and make a recommendation at our next meeting. (Americorps/Sussex County MUA and Wallkill River Headwaters Assoc)

Lake Expo - (with LMCC Lake Committee) **Saturday, March 30, 2019.** Ideas presented. We will have the entire clubhouse on this date. Breakout sessions, speakers being solicited: History of LMCC-(Holly interested and may have a second speaker), Princeton Hydro, Gardening/Rain Gardens (Peggy Laddey/Pat Rektor), Aquatic Plants. In the ballroom vendors will have tables (ideas): Home Inspectors, lawn care, septic systems, Kristina Rogers from Americorps, Hopatcong Floating Classroom, Earth Day signups. Also, will have kids activities. Ideas needed. Fishing demo? Secchi Disk demo? An announcement will be in the next Papoose.

This is a big educational opportunity for LMPF.

Ernie states that there has been no communication with the lake committee about this. Gene feels there is not enough time to plan this event.

Action: Laura, Marie and Brenda have volunteered to work on this event with Orlando Rodriguez and members of the Lake committee.(Brenda will be away that day as it is her birthday.) Ideas for speakers and vendors are needed. Please let the committee know your thoughts, contact persons. Feel free to contact those speakers/vendors that you know. **Save the date.** Work will begin in earnest in the new year.

LMCC liason- Ernie:

- a. Potential purchase of pool property will need club member vote. Considerable environmental impact with preservation of lakefront.
- b. Ernie sent pictures from Wallkill River Tree planting to all board members. We supported this last year. Thinks an article would be appropriate.

Earth Day. Dates: Lots of discussion about when to have Earth Day Celebration. Papoose copy is due Jan. 5 for Feb issue. Holly feels that Beach Associations need to know ASAP as they plan their cleanups early in the year. She suggests an early date rather than late one for the cleanup if we want beach participation(May or end April). Consider Friday, April 12 for the celebration.

Action: Craig will tell us his plan as soon as he makes one.

New Business: LMPF plaque in LMCC member room needs Joe and Gene's names on it. Brenda filled out a grant request from PSE &G. She needs 4 items to complete it. She is requesting \$5,000 from PSE&G.

Discussion about the Wallkill River Headwaters Assoc and the Highlands Council/Coalition. Ernie feels this latter group is radical and has restricted growth in Sussex County. He suggests that we are careful who we donate money to. Bill has concerns from the perspective of arguing against the council/coalition in courts. They take property without full reimbursement. Something to consider when considering grants.

Action: Marie will take care of names on Plaque. Brenda will work with Pop to get financial documents to PSE & G grant app.

Calendar - Meetings will take place at 7pm on the fourth Wed. of each month.

1/23
2/27
3/27
4/24
5/22
6/26
7/24
8/28
9/25
10/23
11/27

Action: Laura will confirm dates with club so that we have a meeting room.

Motion to adjourn : 9:20- moved by Brenda/seconded by Jim. Passed by unanimous vote.