

Clitherall Lake Association Board of Directors Meeting
Minutes
August 26, 2021

Vice President Jeff Stabnow called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM. Board members present were Jeff Stabnow, Mike Lipke, Mile Allmann, Harlely Anderson, Brett Sorensen, Allan Storry, Dean Swenson, Dave Franklin, and Karla Grages.

REPORTS:

Treasurer's report was presented by Mike Lipke. Total receipts were \$13,376.67. Total Disbursements were \$4,904.28. Total balance as of August 26, 2021, is \$38,726.23. There are currently 172 paid memberships. Ideas were discussed about using some funds from the AIS prevention fund, but more information is necessary to establish the most effective use. Ideas were discussed about trying to increase memberships as well. It was noted memberships are down, but donations are up. Mike Allmann made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report and Dean Swenson seconded. Motion carried.

Jeff Stabnow gave the Environmental Report. He updated the board on the discovery of Zebra mussels in Clitherall. Brett Sorensen will send an email and post on Facebook a request for lake association members to report any evidence on equipment as docks and lifts are coming out of the lake. This will help us monitor the spread of the species. Mike Lipke noted that we must remain diligent about preventing the spread of other species as well. Mike, with the help of Jeff and Brett will write up another Facebook post and email detailing Starry Stonewort and Eurasian Milfoil, including pictures to identify the species.

Dave Franklin had no new information to share under the Fisheries report

Brett Sorensen obtained a Twitter handle, @ClitherallLake, in order to have more exposure in Public Relations with our membership.

Brett Sorensen gave the Membership report. He will include a note about the value of a CLA membership in his emails and Facebook

reports and remind people to sign up if they have not yet done so. He will also mention the new directory to entice people.

Karla Grages had another \$20 come in from selling stickers. There are approximately 20 sweatshirts in all sizes, 4 Tshirts in size Large, and both small and large stickers still available. She will let Megan Johnson know to post on Facebook for people still interested in purchasing items. Putting remaining inventory on sale at Crossroads gas station is not an option as they have limited space.

Mike Allmann updated the board on the Beach Captains. He suggested just giving them addresses with no names of owners in order to avoid confusion when people move and new owners take over.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mike Lipke and Dave Franklin are making progress with creating the new CLA directory. They are hopeful it will be available at next year's annual meeting. The estimated cost will be between \$1310 - \$1550. The directory will be included with next year's memberships.

Mike Lipke informed the board that we have one person that has qualified for the Lake Steward Program. The board is notified when a person takes the test and passes with the Minnesota Lakes and Rivers Association. We pay for and provide a sign identifying that property as being a Lake Steward.

We currently have 4 Loon nests on the lake, 2 nests will be added. Mike Allmann and Harley Anderson have volunteered to build them, bringing the total to 6 next year.

NEW BUSINESS:

Karla Grages has agreed to continue as the Fundraising Chair.

Mike Allmann suggested moving the CLA meetings to Clitherall. He offered to talk to Mary about any fees for using the space and about access.

It has been brought to the board's attention that with the low water level, people have been using marker buoys to tie up their boats and socialize. We will post a request on Facebook for people to discontinue doing this.

Dave Franklin made a motion to adjourn, and Harley Anderson seconded. Motion carried.

Next meeting date: September 23, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Karla Grages, Secretary