

PLCC Board Meeting October 3, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 by President Barbara Butler.

Members present: Barb Butler, Ken Butler, Cathy Kantorak, Sue Mertz, Ken Hensch, Bill Morr, Gary Metzger, Karen Metzger, John Hensch, Cynthia Rockwell, Denny Rorick

Members absent: Peggy Jones, Mary Pusti

Sue Mertz offered prayer.

The members said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Barb passed out 2018 event sheets, copies of zone directors and copies of the September minutes. Denny mentioned that his phone number should be 260-484-9595. There was a motion by Sue to accept the minutes as written. This was seconded by Ken Butler.

Treasurer's Report – Ken Butler said the month of September opened with a balance of \$32,127.13 and closed at \$31,035.91. The balance will be closer to \$26,300, by April, 2018 because of expenses he expects to pay before then. There was a motion by Gary Metzger to approve the treasurer's report which was seconded by Sue Mertz.

Membership Report – Cynthia said dues came in from one more resident bringing the paid membership to just over 74%.

Clubhouse Restoration Committee Update - Cathy said work has started on the outside of the building. It has all been power washed, part has been sanded, repairs are being made and one wall has been painted. Completion should be in a couple weeks, depending on the weather. \$2500 has been paid to the contractor.

Clubhouse Rentals – Cathy reported the last rental was September 30th. There were eleven rentals this summer and one cancellation. There was discussion about raising the rental rate to \$400 plus \$50 deposit for people who do not live on Pretty Lake. Gary Metzger made the motion and Sue seconded it. Motion carried.

Cathy did some research on flag poles. Discussion was whether to get a telescopic pole or a one piece pole. It was decided to get one piece since it will last longer. Price is \$495 for the pole, \$250 for installation, \$50 for delivery and \$75 for the light. Gary made a motion to spend up to \$1,000 on having a new flag pole delivered and installed with solar light on top. Bill Morr seconded and the motion carried. The pole will be put up in the same area as before. There was also discussion on cutting the pine tree down by the flag pole. It was agreed to table this until Spring.

There was more discussion on why 16 trees are to be planted on the property in the Spring. It was explained to new members that a previous motion had been made and passed to replace (2 for 1) the 8 trees cut down this past summer. After looking at Roberts Rules, a motion was made by Denny Rorick to rescind the motion (made April 4, 2017, by Peggy Jones and seconded by Ted Kirshner). The motion was seconded by Ken Butler and passed unanimously by the board.

Ken Hensch gave a report on the lake weed program after attending the DNR LARE grant weed control meeting at Lake Wawasee. The DNR allows Pretty Lake to spray up to 20 acres for the Eurasian water

milfoil. Aquatic Weed Control recommends to DNR how many acres can be sprayed and the DNR gives their permission on how many acres will be sprayed. It was suggested the lake residents should know this is an ongoing project and their dues help pay to keep the weeds under control.

Barb gave a report on the lake study since Tom Syndram could not attend the meeting. Cardno tested the lake water for clarity and temperature. Water samples were sent to Washington state. Cardno will be on Pretty Lake before October 15th to check surrounding areas.

The board decided notices could be sent out via email to lake residents over the winter months. The emails must be sent to the board members and Barb will forward them to Les who will then send them to residents.

Comments from Barb Butler: Thank you to Les Rockwell for cleaning out the NE corner of PLCC property and for selling items leftover from the rummage sale. We can add an additional \$250 which brings the total to \$2,464. Thanks also to Ron Kantorak for trimming the bushes around the building.

A motion was made by Ken Hensch and seconded by Karen Metzger to have new locks put on clubhouse and shed doors.

Stan Shopa sent a note to Barb Butler thanking the board for all they have done this year.

Cathy will ask Steve Wohlers to blow the leaves into the woods before the cleanup. We could really use more help from lake residents on cleanup day.

The pickle ball project has been tabled until Spring and John Stemmler will head the committee.

Gary Metzger went to the Lagrange County Lakes Council meeting. The e-coli readings were 50 and well within the safe range. For results check: www.lagrangecountylakescouncil.org.

The brush hog has been repaired and is back in the shed.

Mary Pusti spoke with a professor at Trine University regarding testing and researching the lake's water quality. If he can find a student interested in this project he will pursue it.

There will be an ADULT Halloween party at the clubhouse October 28th at 7:00 pm. The theme is music and everyone is asked to dress accordingly. There will be a DJ and karaoke. Bring your own drinks and snacks. There will be a \$5 donation per person to cover expenses.

The closing of the clubhouse and outside cleanup will be November 4th and the next PLCC meeting will be April 3, 2018.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 pm by Gary Metzger and seconded by Sue Mertz.

Respectfully submitted,

Acting secretary, Cathy Kantorak