

Pretty Lake Conservation Club
Minutes- meeting Tuesday, May 1, 2018

Meeting opened @ 6:38pm with Pledge of Allegiance, followed by prayer led by Ken Butler. Barb Butler called the meeting to order.

Members present: Les & Cynthia Rockwell, Barb & Ken Butler, Mary & Beth Pusti, Cathy & Ron Kantorak, Ken Hensch, Denny Rorick, Bill Morr, Karen & Gary Metzger.

Members absent: John Hensch, Sue Mertz

Past Secretary, Peggy Jones resignation letter was read by Barb Butler. Due to resignation of Peggy, who was formally Zone 2 director, It was stated that Jack Landers will take over as Director of Zone 2.

By Unanimous vote 3 new Board Members were voted onto and welcomed to the PLCC Board. The new Board Members are: Ron Kantorak, Les Rockwell, and new secretary, Beth Pusti. Beth Pusti was given two hard drives of previous meeting minutes for safe keeping by Les Rockwell, and Barb Butler.

Barb Butler, President let it be known that to be in compliance board meetings must be public. Anyone may attend the open meetings but if they have something to say, Barb must be given notice 2 weeks in advance.

Treasurers Report: Ken Butler handed out the Treasurers report which he went over for the month of April, 2018. April began with a balance of \$28,823.16 and ended with a final balance of \$35,631.37. A deposit of \$3,376.00 was made on April 27 from the DNR for water quality study. We will pay Cardno \$3,798.00 for a net cost to the PLCC of \$422.00. The remaining invoices from Cardno will be paid at 80% by DNR.

Cynthia Rockwell stated that PLCC pays \$1125.00 annually for lawn service to the three people who provide this service.

Cynthia reminded the board that if you pay more than \$600.00 to a single service provider, you must provide 1099 tax information. Payments for a service provider should not exceed \$600.00.

Barb Butler was able to save some money and purchased Flares from Orion Manufacturing. The flares will be resold to people on the lake for 2.50 each or 4/10.00 for the purpose of the annual Ring of Fire. PLCC does not take responsibility for these flares once they are in the hands of homeowners on the lake. PLCC should see a small profit from the sales. Eric & Jane Perkins of Stroh Farm Supply are to be thanked for their help with the flares.

Other deposits to the April report were annual dues. The Treasurers report was approved. Motion by Cathy Kantorak, 2nd by Denny Rorick.

Membership Report: Cynthia Rockwell told us 121 have paid dues from 110 cottages. We have 218 cottages and presently about ½ have paid their dues. A reminder was mentioned that to be in good standing all Board Members must pay their dues. Barb Butler told us two people on the lake have paid \$500.00 or more in donation to lake enhancements which is very much appreciated.

LARE Grant Approval: Barb Butler explained PLCC was approved by the State DNR for a LARE Grant for weed control. After soliciting bids from three State approved sources two bids were close, one was high. Rod Bergstedt is going to handle this and said it was best to go with Aquatic Weed Control, Inc. because of history with the lake and price. The board all voted to approve this choice. Motion to accept by Gary Metzger, 2nd by Karen Metzger.

- Barb Butler read a letter she received from Cheryl Clelland. Cheryl was concerned about the water safety of weed control and had sent a 50.00 donation to be used toward warning systems on water quality. Barb read and appreciates Cheryl's concerns on the use of chemicals for aquatic weed control in reference to public health and safety. Barb also read a reply letter she sent to Cheryl in which she also returned her donation for a warning system. In Barbs letter she explained the aquatic weed control program and the chemicals in use. Barb let her know her concerns are taken seriously, and also gave her contact information for Rod Bergstedt to answer questions about the program. Barb will be sending out an email to all lake homeowners to explain this weed control program. Denny Rorick suggested a map of the lake showing where and when application is going to take place. Les Rockwell recommended Barbs email contain a link to the PLCC website for further details.

New PLCC Logo: A new logo has been created, passed around and approved. It was good with all. Motion to approve by Gary Metzger, 2nd by Karen Metzger. Beth Pusti recommended looking into a 2nd logo for a more youthful look to the youth t-shirts such as a kayak or canoe. Barb mentioned they are low on youth t-shirts and would be ordering wine glasses & t-towels.

Cathy Kantorak reported she is getting bids on a new 4 inch submersible well at the clubhouse. There was 1 rental cancellation. The pine tree that was damaged is gone and the board did not have to pay to have it removed. Thank you to all those who helped with the tree removal. The 5 card poker hand drawing still has 19 hands to be purchased @ 25.00 per hand.

A State DNR letter was attached to the current May Newsletter. Les Rockwell put the newsletter together and it was approved by all. The DNR letter reminds homeowners of State mandated rules on making sure improvements are approved by the DNR & proper permitting is obtained.

Barb Butler talked about having water testing in the same 4 places it has previously been tested to have a record of changes. Ron Kantorak will test the water & get together with Cardno to make sure the same 4 places are tested. Tom Syndram is still working on a water quality study and should have information by the June meeting.

Paddle 5K Run: Mary Pusti is working on a trial 5K run/walk to take place the morning of the family picnic in August. The route has been measured out. The race is to start at the public access with watercraft of the participants choosing as long as it is powered by paddles. Ex. Kayak, canoe, paddle board etc.. from the public access across the lake, around a buoy and back to the public access, from there participants will run or walk the Pretty Lake path. Start & finish at the public landing. Participants will receive a T-shirt, bottled water, 1st aid kit in blue bags. A small entry fee will be charged to cover costs. Mary will work on the entry form and bring it to the next meeting. Entry form will state that all DNR rules must be followed and a liability waiver signed before the start of the race. Bill Morr will work with Mary on possible sponsorship for this fun run in the form of advertising on the t shirts. If extra money is made from this it could go to PLCC or possible community donation to the Stroh Fire Dept.

Ken Hensch spoke about the Stroh Lions Club, Stroh Community league. They are talking about improvements to sidewalks, drainage, lighting, ball diamonds. If there is extra money to donate we could make a community donation * As long as it is not political we can help out.

Bill Morr is organizing the family picnic- Ponies, K-9, fire engine are all possibilities. Barb said John Stemmler is heading up pickle ball and will need a 100.00 or less to paint the court, and refresh the tennis lines.. Motion to support up to 100.00 by Cathy Kantorak, 2nd by Mary Pusti.

Gary & Karen Metzger are planning the Memorial Day breakfast. Sausage is ordered and 35lb. of pancake mix has been donated last year and this year by South Milford Lions club—A big thank you to the South Milford Lions club for this. Barb sent a thank you note to Richard Krull. Gary also mentioned Carol Reynolds has moved. Carol's new address along with the new occupant's information have been given to Cynthia for membership.

Barb explained as we rent the clubhouse we give out the key to decorate early- this key can be duplicated and is a security risk. As a result Cathy purchased and had installed a new deadbolt second lock. When the clubhouse is rented the bottom key can be given out early but will never be locked unless there is a rental. Board members will have a key to the top/deadbolt lock.

Zone directors & Board members can get flares from the Butlers to distribute. Distribution will begin at the Memorial Day Breakfast and then after June 1st.

Barb is sending pictures of our Ring of Fire to the flare company, and Ron is looking into a Fox news story on community July 4th events to possibly submit pictures of our Ring of Fire.

Future Discussion: A suggestion was made to put up a sign at Public access- 'Please do not block boat launch' There are problems with the way people park and block this area.

Landscaping will need to be created around flag pole and the new well to protect these areas. In the interim reflective tape will be put on the flag pole.

Tennis court repainting & fixing basketball rim

Special Thank You and appreciation to the following:

Eric & Jane Perkins along with Stroh Farm Supply, for help with the flares.

Numerous Folks who helped on spring clean up day.

Jo Bergstedt for volunteering your Time, Talent, and Materials for embroidery work.

Barb Werner for the new clubhouse curtains.

Les Rockwell for putting up the outside motion detection lighting which he purchased and installed.

Andy Rasler who cut down the damaged pine tree and the board members who removed it and saved some of it for the annual bonfire.

Dick Krull & the South Milford Lions Club for the 35lbs of pancake mix 2 years in a row for our Memorial Day breakfast.