

## Pretty Lake Conservation Club Minutes ~ June 1, 2021

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by President, Scott Alexander  
Prayer led by Chris Alexander  
Followed by Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: PLCC Board Members Present: Scott Alexander, Chris Alexander Ken Hensch, Andy Scheidler, Tom Tassler, Robert Burns, Natalie McLaughlin, Nancy Wetli, Beth Pusti, Gregg Wattier, Cary Fries, Sue Mertz.

Absent: Dan Martin

PLCC members present to speak to PLCC Board: Ron and Cathy Kantorak, Amanda Parr.

Amanda Parr: Life long resident of our community Amanda is a Certified Yoga Instructor. Amanda spoke to the PLCC Board about putting a couple of yoga classes on the agenda for the summer. Maybe an early evening class and a daytime class. She would typically prefer to hold the classes outside on the property with access to the restrooms. It would be nice if indoor access was permitted in case of rain. 1 class is 1 session and the price would depend on what the Club needs out of it. She would prefer to pay a percentage of what she charges. As a Board we talked about how to approach rentals such as this. We cannot rent the clubhouse on an hourly basis on weekends since this would take away full day weekend rental opportunities. Doing an event such as this yoga class on a weekday would make it possible. We all seem to like the idea of the clubhouse being used for the purpose of community related events but we still have costs associated with Building insurance and maintenance to consider. We also want to be fair that we are assessing charges in a uniform way. Instead of making an hourly rate for short term rental the Board decided to take suggested events such as this as they present themselves. We will be as fair as possible in assessing charges. Cary Fries suggested we try this for a few months to see if we have an increase in rental requests. Andy Scheidler motioned we charge Amanda 20% of her profits. Sue Mertz second the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

Ron Kantorak: Gave the Board a review on the Golf Scramble from the fall of 2020, with a report on what he has planned for 2021.

Last year he had 9 teams at Cobblestone. They were charged \$300.00 per team which included golf, lunch and prizes. After costs there was net profit to the PLCC of \$1,444.00. Ron has Saturday, September 11, 2021 set at Cobblestone again this year with a 9 am shotgun start. Currently he is planning for 18 teams. Ron made a flyer to handout. We will make copies and get the flyers out to the community. He asked that the Board distribute flyers and talk to folks about signing up, as well as help to get golf related donations/prizes to give out to teams as various prizes. Tom Tassler is going to co-chair

the golf scramble and will keep us informed of progress. Ron asked that information on the golf scramble be shared on the web page and in the newsletter. Contact for the event is Ron Kantorak.

May 4, 2021 Minutes Approval: Everyone has had a chance to review Minutes from meeting on May 4, 2021. Sue Mertz Made a Motion to Approve, Nancy Wetli second the Motion. Minutes from the May 4, 2021 meeting approved unanimously.

Treasurers Report: Sue Mertz passed out an in-depth Treasurers Report that showed the period of one year from July 1, 2020 through June 1, 2021.

Bank balance as of June 1, 2021 was \$48,888.16 Total Income for the one-year period was \$34,737.69. Total expenses over the same period \$ 28,123.63.

Major expenses this year have been the flares \$1,400.00, mowing contract for the season \$1,685.00 and \$215.00 postage.

The next report in July will show the June Income from the Memorial weekend events.

Ron Kantorak advised the Board that we do not pay taxes on Utility bills and to check to make sure no tax is taken out from REMC or sewer bill.

Ron highly recommended to the Board that we get an Attorney on the PLCC Board. In the past, we have had one or more attorney on our Board of Directors. This has been important in not only making sure we maintain our 501\_C3 status but in complying with our By-Laws. When our 2021 PLCC President, Denny Rorick passed away this past winter he was also our Attorney. We have two Board openings. It would be nice to fill one of those openings with an Attorney.

A second signer on the PLCC bank account is needed, Ken Hensch has come forward and will take on this responsibility with Sue Mertz as the two signatures on file with the bank.

Natalie McLaughlin made a Motion to approve the treasurers report. Beth Pusti second the Motion. All approved, none opposed.

Membership report: Chris Alexander passed out a membership report reflecting the current 2021 Paid Memberships. As of June 1, 64% of cottages have paid dues.

Total counted cottages 231

Paid cottages 148

Unpaid Cottages 86

165 Paid membership dues

Dues in dollars \$4,125.00

Additional donations \$7,650.00

\*REMINDER TO ZONE DIRECTORS: PLEASE DO NOT PUT NEWSLETTERS IN MAILBOXES. WOLCOTTVILLE POST OFFICE CAN FINE US.

Clubhouse Report: Natalie McLaughlin reported eleven rentals this season. The first one is June 12. Capacity of clubhouse: We have tables and seating for 100.

Tom Tassler and Cary Fries addressed the problem of slow drainage in the plumbing reported at the May meeting. They opened the wall, used snakes and looked at the pipes. They snaked the pipes and treated blockage until it was running pretty well. We will monitor the issue and watch for problems. If necessary, we will address future repairs.

Scott Alexander said that in one month he will make a presentation to the Board concerning building maintenance. We understand the club is in need of exterior siding maintenance as well as possible plumbing, roofing and building maintenance costs that need to be discussed and planned.

Cecily Rorick is paying to rent the clubhouse for Dennys memorial on July 10, 2021. The PLCC Board members will help by setting up, serving, and cleaning up.

June 12, Goose Round-up: Doug Crawford is heading this event. Anyone that can help out by rounding up the geese with boats, kayaks, etc... are appreciated. We have permission to use the same property on the west shore that we have used in the past. We have the permit and trailer. The geese will be relocated to Mongo. 30 geese have been counted so far this season on the lake.

Bingo/root beer float report: approximately 100 people came out and enjoyed the first Bingo, Root Beer float night of the season. There were \$86.19 in expenses, with a profit to the club of \$185.25 including the 50/50 raffle. Sue Mertz reported we have some items left over that can be used in future events.

Merchandise Report: Nancy Wetli had new 2021 merchandise available for purchase at the Memorial Weekend events. New original designs by Emily Kitchen a Pretty Lake family member seemed to go over well. The first bill was \$1,399.00 and Nancy took in \$1,700.00. everything from this first order will be profit from here on out. Nancy ordered conservatively not knowing what to expect in events and sales. The new hats sold out, with eight out of twelve visors selling. Six of the ten beach towels sold. Nancy will be making a second special order. Requests were made for collar shirts which Nancy is checking into.

Cruise-In: Ken Hensch gave the Board an update on plans for the scheduled August 7 , Cruise-In that should run from 11 am – 2 pm. Some of the planned volunteers are Steve Yahn, Mike Perry, Scott Alexander and Ada Shopa. This event takes a lot of volunteer help to plan, set up, greeters, and food service. Nancy can sell merchandise at the Cruise-In. Steve Yahn has purple Cruise-In shirts planned. Volunteers can buy Cruise-In shirts for a discounted \$10.00 rate then they will sell shirts for \$15.00 or \$17.00 for XXX sizes. There will be a silent auction so prizes and donations are needed. Each car receives 2 free raffle tickets. Ken is planning a Peoples Choice Car this year which will include a prize. This event seems to get more popular every year. As long as the weather is good it shows good profit for the club. Ken will need a budget for expenses that includes the shirts,

making flyers to pass out, card stock, and prizes. Andy Scheidler made a motion for Cruise-In expenses not to exceed \$800.00. Beth Pusti second the motion. All approved.

Memorial Day Breakfast: Ken Hensch reported that 157 people came out for the annual breakfast. Ken said the event seemed to work out well. They brought in \$1,023.00. There was \$373.00 in expenses with \$650.00 in profit for the club. Ken wanted to thank all the volunteers.

July Activities: Fish O Rama, is on the schedule as usual and is organized by Sue Mertz.

Flotilla: Nancy Wetli and Natalie McLaughlin are handling the Flotilla. Nancy explained flotilla entrants go to the public access to line up behind the lead pontoon which carries the Grand Marshall. Flotilla entrants are each given a number and will cruise around the lake twice. There will be 3-4 judges stationed around the lake who will choose favorites 1-2- and 3. Judges will call Nancy with results. At 4pm the entrants will meet at the public access to be presented results and prizes. In the last couple years we gave cash money as prizes. Nancy asked that we think about doing 6x8 inch plaques for 1<sup>st</sup> through 3<sup>rd</sup> place along with the cash prize. Chris Alexander motioned to make prizes for the flotilla 3 plaques and prize money being 1<sup>st</sup> place-\$100.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> place 75.00, 3<sup>rd</sup> place \$50.00. Nancy Wetli second the motion. All approved.

There were two suggestions from Nancy Wetli and Sue Mertz for the 2021 Grand Marshall to be named Laura Fries. Chris Alexander made a motion for Laura Fries to be 2021 Grand Marshall, Sue Mertz second the motion. All were in favor.

Ring of Fire: Flares can be purchased from Board Members or Zone Directors. We have 20 cases of Flares and need to sign out flares as we take them so we know who has them. Any unsold flares should be brought to the Fish O Rama on July 3 so they are all in one place. Flares are \$2.50 each or 4 for \$10.00.

General meeting: Scheduled for Saturday, July 17 at 9:00 A.M. Some of the topics on agenda will be Weed Control from Rod Bergstedt, DNR questions from DNR officers, E-Coli report from Butch, Treasury report, New Board member openings and nominations.

Webpage Report: Andy Scheidler will send email to membership with reminders on July 4<sup>th</sup> events. He said there is pictures on website of Bingo and current events. Prettylake.org There is a form for the Walk for the Lake being planned by Craig Bobay. Registrations need to be in by August 21<sup>st</sup>, this is a Labor Day weekend event.

Vote for Vice President: We have gone several months into the 2021 season without a Vice President for the PLCC due to Scott Alexander moving into the President slot. Ken Hensch nominated Cary Fries as Vice President. Beth Pusti second the nomination. All were in favor. Cary accepted the Vice President position. Thank you, Cary.

Round Table Discussion:

Beth Pusti: Asked about the rain garden maintenance, and wanted to make sure this responsibility was being taken care of. Greg Wattier said there is a group of volunteers maintaining the rain garden. If more help is needed, he will let us know.

Thank you to those who are weeding, watering and helping with this lake enhancement project.

Scott Alexander: Was curious about the Boards thoughts on Personal thank you calls or notes to those members who make sizeable donations over and above anyone's expectations for Lake enhancement or Clubhouse maintenance. Many times people make these donations and do not want to be recognized so their donations should remain private, however we thought any donation over \$250.00 should receive a personal thank you from our President in the form of a card or phone call.

All donations for the good of the PLCC are very much appreciated no matter the amount.

Paul Ridenour will continue to recycle pop / aluminum cans for the club

Steve Johnson will recycle other kinds of metal for the good of the club.

Beth Pusti motioned to Adjourn, Andy Scheidler second the motion. All were in favor.