

Pretty Lake Conservation Club October 5, 2021 ~ Minutes

President Scott Alexander called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Opening Prayer led by Sue Mertz
Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call, Board Members Present: Scott Alexander, Chris Alexander, Cary Fries, Sue Mertz, Beth Pusti, Tom Tassler, Ken Hensch, Natalie McLaughlin, Andy Scheidler, Dan Martin

Board Members absent: Robert Burns, Gregg Wattier, Nancy Wetli

Leaving the 2021 Board: Nancy Wetli, Ken Hensch, Dan Martin
Thank you for your time, and dedication to the PLCC.

New Board Members for 2022 present: Craig Bobay, and Cathy Kantorak
Absent: John Stemmler

Guest Speaker: Ron Kantorak spoke to the Board on the results from the Golf Scramble. Ron told us last year there were 9 teams, with a net profit to the club of \$1444.00. This year there were 15 teams with a net profit of \$2,570.12
Ron was happy with the growth this event has had in the few years it has been on the schedule. People have a great time and it's becoming a really nice fundraiser for the Club. Ron said that he will co-chair next year, with Tom Tassler chairing the 2022 Golf Scramble.

Scott Alexander talked to Ron Kantorak about the golf scramble budget for 2022 and what he thought might be needed. Ron thought the 2022 golf scramble budget should include \$2900.00 golf fees

800.00 banquet fees

100.00 prizes

Craig Bobay: Explained a little bit about meeting protocol and why there is a formal way of conducting meetings. Craig gave a handout on Motions made during meetings, the steps, and rules in conducting civil meetings within a polite process.

Craig and Scott explained that they would like to set aside time to begin meetings with "Wisdom with Craig" which will be a short lesson in various areas of our By-Laws which will touch on the reasons and thought process behind the PLCC Constitution and a way in which Board Members can become more familiar with the procedures.

September 7, 2021 Meeting Minutes: Everyone had a chance to review the Minutes from September 7. Craig Bobay made a motion to approve the Minutes from September. Cary Fries second the motion. The Minutes were passed unanimously.

Bon Fire/Chili Pot luck: Dan spoke about the Chili Pot Luck/Bon Fire night planned for October 23. This is a social event in which Dan has music planned for \$150.00. We will utilize supplies left from the year. There is no cost to folks, although they are encouraged to bring a crock pot of chili to share. The PLCC will supply makings for smores, hot dogs, crackers, condiments. We will decorate with whatever autumn décor from home we can bring and then will take it back with us.

Pretty Lake Nature Trail: Dan met with a Naturalist who walked the woods with him. He said there is not an overabundance of invasive species. The best time to treat the invasives species would be Fall. The idea is to create a nature path through the PLCC woods that would be an alternative connection to our PLCC walking path. We need to discuss further and come up with a plan for how big of a project this will be. Dan said initially he will need chemicals for treating plants, and rental of a chipper for 2 days. Due to safety concerns, we will stay away from downed, and unhealthy trees. The path will begin from the bottom of the hill and meander through the PLCC property. The path will be a walking path, two arm lengths wide and will not support motorized vehicles. Dan will estimate for costs and keep us updated but considers this project to be in phases.

The reason for the phases is the Pretty Lake Nature Trail will eventually be used for education and continual conservation of the woods and property. Species of natural plants, trees, and formations will be labeled as points of interest.

Tom Tassler made Motion to go ahead with the Pretty Lake Nature Trail, Dan Martin will take the lead with Craig Bobay as co-chair and not to exceed more than \$500.00 for phase one. Natalie McLaughlin second the Motion. All approved, Motion passed.

Resignation: Dan is resigning his position on the Board due to family and work obligations. Dan will stay involved and lead the Nature Trail project as well as the Rain Garden.

Rain Garden: Dan is making sure the rock bed, we approved in the rain garden is completed. Dan will also plan and complete an educational session per our agreement with the School Board.

New PLCC Secretary nomination: Beth Pusti will continue as a Board member but is stepping down from the Secretary position. Craig Bobay has offered to be the new PLCC Secretary. Sue Mertz made Motion to confirm. Chris Alexander seconded the Motion to confirm. Vote was unanimous.

Reelection of Officers: Natalie McLaughlin nominated Scott Alexander as President, Cary Fries second the nomination. Vote was unanimous.

Craig Bobay nominated Cary Fries as Vice President. Cathy Kantorak second the nomination. Vote was unanimous.

Chris Alexander nominated Sue Mertz for Treasurer. Cary Fries seconded the nomination. Vote was Unanimous.

PLCC OFFICERS FOR 2022: Scott Alexander, President
Cary Fries, Vice President
Sue Mertz, Treasurer
Craig Bobay, Secretary

Treasurers Report: Sue Mertz handed out a PLCC Treasurers report which details July 1, 2021 to June 30-2022. Essentially July, August and September of this year. Sue told us the only major expenditures to come out yet this year are the outlet project, and the PLCC insurance. The Insurance bill will be due November 11. Sue does have two Insurance quotes coming in. Cathy Kantorak volunteered to help Sue go over the insurance quotes and compare policies/ prices/ deductibles. If there is significant difference or savings that will require a change, they will let us know. Checking account balance at the end of September was \$54,322.83. Beth Pusti made a motion to approve the Treasurers report, Cary Fries second the motion, all approved.

Sue also handed out an PLCC event income comparison from 2018 thru 2021. This will be used for planning and budget purposes.

Membership Report: Chris Alexander passed out the 2022 Pretty Lake Membership Form for all to look over to proofread. Scott thought we should have three categories for incoming donations. Membership fee, Lake improvement, Clubhouse enhancement. Currently, Chris is doing the Newsletters, Membership, reader Board, and Zone Captain. She would like to train someone else to take on one or two of these jobs.

Clubhouse Report: Cathy had two plumbing companies come out this last month. Hensinger Plumbing & Heating and J.O. Mory both said that because we do not have heat to the building things will naturally deteriorate. The both quoted thousands of dollars to redo piping, drain lines but not blow them. Cathy also talked with Premier Siding who last year quoted her 11,000.00. This year they are telling her 22,800.00 is the least expensive with no insulation. She has a meeting next week on Thursday and will look at samples. Cathy will keep us updated with what she learns.

Keys & Locks: The main door lock to the clubhouse has been changed. There were to many keys missing or unaccounted for to know who has been coming and going. Cary Fries changed the lock and each key has a number in which has been signed out to Board Members.

2022 Budget: Using the PLCC Event Income and the average cost of expenses and income over the last four years Sue and Scott made a budget draft. As a Board we discussed the budget draft and made changes as needed. Natalie McLaughlin made a Motion to accept Budget with changes as noted. Tom Tassler second the Motion. All were in favor of the Budget draft presented by Sue.

2022 PLCC Schedule of Events plus assignments:

(Please note this is tentative, where there is no assigned co-chair, we will try to get new people around the lake involved or veteran residents who would like to volunteer.)

Day & Date	Time	Event	Chairperson	Co-Chairperson
Before the end of March		Newsletter & Membership	Chris Alexander	
Sat. April 23	9 am	Spring Clean-up	Cathy Kantorak	
Sat. May 28	7 pm	Bingo/RB Float	Andy Scheidler	
Mon. May 29	8-11 am	Memorial Day breakfast	Cary Fries	Andy Scheidler
Sat. June 11	8 am	Goose Roundup	Doug Crawford	Craig Bobay
Sat. July 2	8-10 am	Kids Fish a Rama	Natalie McLaughlin	
Sat. July 2	2 pm	Flotilla	Natalie McLaughlin	
Sat. July 2	7 pm	Bingo/RB Float	Sue Mertz	
Sat. July 2	10 pm	Ring of Fire	Scott Alexander	Chris Alexander
Sat. July 16	9 am	General meeting		
Sat. July 23	9 am	Annual Meeting if needed		
Sat. Aug 6	11 am- 1 pm	Cruise-In	Cary Fries	Ken Hensch
Sun. Aug 7	12 pm	Rummage sale drop off begins	Barb Butler	Beth Pusti
Sat. Aug 13	8 am-12 pm	PLCC Rummage sale	Barb Butler	Beth Pusti
Sat. Sept 3	8:30 am	Walk for the Water	Craig Bobay	Nancy Bobay
Sat. Sept 3	7 pm	Bingo/ RB Float		
Mon. Sept 5	8-11 am	Labor Day breakfast	Cary Fries	Beth Pusti
Sat. Sept 10	9 am	Golf Scramble	Tom Tassler	Ron Kantorak
Sat. Oct 22	possible civil war reenactment am/ bonfire pm		Beth Pusti	
Sat. Nov 12	10 am	Fall clean up	Cathy Kanorak	
Reader board		Chris Alexander		
Weed Control		Rod Bergstedt		
Lare Grants		Rod Bergstedt		
Merchandise		John Stemmler		
Newsletter		Chris Alexander		
Electronics		Andy Scheidler		
Clubhouse rental/maintenance		Cathy Kantorak		
Membership		Chris Alexander		
Raingarden		Dan Martin, Craig Bobay		

Zone Directors for 2022:

Zone 1	Rod Knox
Zone 2	Connie Miller
Zone 3	Andy Scheidler
Zone 4	Sue Mertz
Zone 5	Vicki Linder
Zone 6	Natalie McLaughlin
Zone 7	Chris and Scott Alexander

2022 Directories: Cathy Kantorak said she and Barb Butler will be doing the 2022 Directories in the Spring. There is a cost to the PLCC to print these but it is a fund raiser in sponsorships.

Beth Pusti asked about the possibility of an E-directory (electronic copy) to be saved on our PLCC Google account in case we need to send a copy to a resident who lives out of State. This would not be public information but if requested Andy could have the ability to send it to a verified resident.

ROUND TABLE:

Natalie: Clubhouse rental contracts need to be updated to reflect the deposit change from \$50.00 to \$100.00. Cathy Kantorak will look at this and make the change.

Tom: Fall clean up day is November 13. Please bring rakes, gloves and help out if you can

Cary: Suggested that on the 2022 Membership Form, there be a place to ask people if they are interested in volunteering to help out with PLCC events with a contact number.

Cathy: Dan had mentioned at the last meeting about stocking the lake. Ron Kantorak called the Orland Fish Hatchery. They stock our lake every odd year with 8" walleye at 10 per acre. Which is about 1840 every odd year. The State pays for it. Walleye in our area do not reproduce.

Andy: Amanda is interested in continuing the Yoga classes next year. She would ask that we try not to schedule events at the same time as yoga. We will need to get with her in the spring to see what she has in mind for available classes and when she would like to schedule.

Scott: If in reviewing Minutes if someone requests a change or correction before the Minutes are approved, he asked that the change is highlighted so everyone can see what was changed.

Also New Board Members should create a Google email account. This is beneficial in sharing and viewing documents as all of our PLCC records, Minutes, Newsletters, are now stored in our PLCC Google account.

Sue: There was a question on Newsletters being shared electronically instead of put in people's doors. Which could save the newsletters from weather damage and costs in printing. Sue said for a Zone Director passing out the newsletters is a chance to have contact with people and engage them in conversation. This helps reduce gossip. Residents can ask questions or voice concerns which is important as representatives of the PLCC.

Cathy Kantorak made a Motion to adjourn. Beth Pusti second the Motion. All approved.

