

Sauk River Chain of Lakes Annual Membership Board Meeting June 12th, 2021 9 – 11 a.m. Virtual (Zoom) Meeting

Call to Order – John Rocky, President

In attendance: John Rocky, Matt Noska, Charlie Montreuil, Sue Antolak, Brad Matuska, Aaron Schwartz, Garrick Grace, Matt Pelant, Wendell Geise, *Admin:* Ann Warling, *Gambling Manager:* Keely Frakes-Rau, New Board Members: Steve Weeres & David Hinson & Karla Smetana

Attendance: 47 SRCL Members

Review of Past Minutes – John Rocky

- May 18th, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes approved via email

Administration Report – John Rocky

- SRCL (Sauk River Chain of Lakes Association) Membership Statistics
 - 2017 – 427 members...\$20,030
 - 2018 – 351 members...\$21,315
 - 2019 – 394 members...\$26,670
 - 2020 – 483 members...\$33,166 as of 5/11/21
- Introduction of SRCL Board Members
- 2020 Board Member Updates:
 - Bill Doll resigned.
 - Keely Frakes-Rau was appointed to replace Matt Pelant as Gambling Manager
 - Karla Smetana was appointed to complete Garrick Grace's second year as Gambling Volunteer Coordinator on board as he is moving.
 - *John Rocky made a motion to appoint Karla Smetana to complete Garrick Grace's board term – Seconded by Aaron Schwartz. Approved.*
 - Susan Antolak, Brad Matuska, Troy Atkinson, Wendell Giese, and Matt Pelant are ending their two-year term.
 - Wendell Giese is stepping off the board.
- 2021 Board Member Ballot -
 - Susan Antolak – Marketing
 - Matt Pelant – AIS/ILIDS
 - Troy Atkinson – Land Use
 - Brad Matuska – AIS
 - Steve Weeres
 - David Hinson
 - Board member candidate shared why they wished to serve as a board member.
 - Ninety-one percent (91%) response voted in all six board member candidates.

Financial Report – Charlie Montreuil

- SRCL currently has \$89,541.61.

- *Troy Atkinson made a motion to approve the Profit & Loss, Balance Sheet, and Check Register – Seconded by John Rocky. Approved.*

Gambling Manager Report – Keely Frakes-Rau/Garrick Grace

- Reviewed the Gambling Monthly Tax Return
- Statewide gambling may shut down at the end of the month due to a State of Minnesota Legislative Shutdown.
- A \$10,000 donation will be transferred to SRCL in June.
- State of Minnesota is conducting a compliance review and addressed what needs to be written on the deposit slip for E-Tabs.
- See attached LG1004 Monthly Gambling Report to Members.
- *Charlie Montreuil made a motion to approve the proposed expenses and monthly gambling report – Seconded by Troy Atkinson. Approved.*

Fisheries Report – Matt Noska

- The Quality Blue Gill Initiative allowing 10 blue gills per person.
- Walleyes have not been stocked in the Chain for four years as the natural reproduction of walleyes in the Chain is the highest in Stearns County.
- Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (MN DNR) is considering the state going to a four walleye per person limit and is reviewing the crappie limit.
- Statewide lakes and fisheries are in a high-pressure situation due to the fishing technology available and the closure of the Canadian border.

Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Report – Brad Matuska

- PowerPoint Presentation is available on the srcl.org website as part of the SRCL Annual Meeting recording.
- Two aquatic invasive species are present on the Chain: zebra mussels and curly leaf pondweed.
- Short Term Efforts
 - Contracted with Weeds Up aquatic weed harvester.
 - Committed about \$70,000 to survey and treat about 100 acres.
 - Survey plants before and after treatment to monitor results.
 - Provide an annual opt out notice for weed treatment per state law.
 - Based on the plant survey results and other priorities the SRCL board votes on areas to be treated.
 - SRCL does not treat individual properties. Lake homeowners are asked to manage their own shore based on the resources available as shared on srcl.org website. (Chemical treatment costs approximately \$600 an acre)
- Long Term Efforts – Treatments are a Band-Aid. The long-term solution is to reduce the nutrient load on the Chain.
- Challenges and Opportunities
 - Manage lake frontage responsibly.
 - Don't fertilize lawns – even “lake-safe” fertilizers are a problem.
 - Mulch grass clippings instead of bagging. Keep grass and leaves out of the lake.
 - Aerate lawns.
 - Install berms, breaks, and buffer zones – contact the Stearns County Soil and Water Conservation office for more information.

- Don't install docks, lifts, rafts, or other lake equipment purchased second-hand for at least three weeks to ensure not spreading of invasive species – this is a state law.
- A reminder will be posted on the srcl.org website for lake homeowners to request permits for weed treatment from the MN DNR.

Land Use Report – Troy Atkinson

- Mission for the committee is to encourage the prevention of additional nutrients being added the Chain.
- SRCL has established a land use grant process to financial assist SRCL members who are embarking on an approved project to reduce the potential runoff into the lake. The grant application is available on srcl.org website or contact Troy Atkinson.
- Stearns County Shoreline Alterations guidelines have moved away from using rocks and retaining block in favor of natural plants.
- Stearns County has passed an ordinance limiting the number of temporary RVs and campers that can parked on property.
- Fifteen (15) rock hazard buoys have been placed on the Chain. Five additional buoys are available, please indicate if additional hazards need to be marked.

Water Quality – Aaron Schwartz

- Road Cleanup – County Road 22 from the County Road Department location to Cozy Corners Campground and County Road 71 Bridge
 - Spring Cleanup – First Saturday in June
 - Fall Cleanup – First Saturday in October
- Secci Water Sampling is completed on the Chain in partnership with Sauk River Watershed District. Water samples are taken from the following lakes: Cedar, Horseshoe, Knaus, Krays, Schneider, and Zumwalde. Water quality reports are published in January.

ILIDS Report – Wendell Geise

- New ILIDS (Internet Landing Installed Device Sensor) on Long Lake.
- Four ILIDS are now active on four boat launches located on the Chain.

Marketing Report – Sue Antolak

- SRCL new logo.
- SRCL apparel available for purchase online until June 21, 2021. The link to the online store will be posted on SRCL website and Facebook page and will emailed to members.
- Steve Weeres and David Hinson needs to contact Matt Pelant to order their SRCL apparel.
- SRCL is a sponsor of Richmond River Lakes Days.
- Rocori's Community Foundation's Concert for a Cause is partnering with SRCL. SRCL will receive a donation from this event. The concert is scheduled for Thursday, August 12th featuring Free Fallin' – A Tom Petty Tribute band.

Adjourn

- Troy Atkinson made a motion to adjourn the June 12th, 2021 Annual SRCL Membership Board Meeting – Seconded by Matt Noska. Approved.

For the Good of the Association – Meeting Schedule

- Tuesday, July 20th at 6:30 pm at Shady's Long Shots
- Tuesday, August 17th at 6:30 pm Virtual (Zoom) Meeting
- Tuesday, September 21st at 6:30 pm Virtual (Zoom) Meeting

LG1004 Monthly Gambling Report to Members

Minnesota Statutes 349.19, Subdivisions 3 and 5, and Minnesota Rules 7861.0320, Subpart 6, require a monthly gambling report to the membership. Members attending this meeting reviewed the documents checked below. The check register and authorization of expenditures are attached to this form and have been made a part of the meeting minutes.

The items listed below are required to be presented to the membership each month and recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

Organization: SAUK RIVER CHAIN OF LAKES ASSOC Meeting date: JUNE, 2021

Documentation Provided	Reporting Requirements for each form of lawful gambling conducted
1. LG100 Monthly Lawful Gambling Activity Summary or G1 Lawful Gambling Monthly Tax Return with the following: <input type="checkbox"/> LG100A <input type="checkbox"/> Schedule B2 <input type="checkbox"/> LG100C <input type="checkbox"/> LG100F	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gross receipts. • Dollar amount of all prizes paid out. • Total value of all merchandise prizes awarded from each form of gambling conducted. • Lawful purpose expenditures. • Profit carryover reconciliation.
2. Copy of check register or itemized expense journal that includes electronic transactions.	Complete details on all allowable expenses including payee, amount, date issued, and purpose.
3. Copies of distributor invoices or perpetual inventory records.	Records of gambling equipment purchases, including: type of equipment; quantity purchased, date purchased, unit cost, and name of distributor.
4. Copy of the month-end physical inventory.	Physical inventory taken at month-end, including games in play, that lists the manufacturer's ID, part number, serial number; game name, cost of each game; and date and signature, in ink, of person completing the physical inventory.
5. Copy of itemized bank statement reconciliation (LG100F).	Gambling bank account reconciliation that balances with the profit carryover for each month and lists outstanding checks, including check number, payee, and amount; outstanding electronic transactions; deposits in transit; and beginning and ending bank balances for each month.
6. Fund loss report.	Any fund loss discovered during the month.
7. Correspondence and other documents: <input type="checkbox"/> Gambling Control Board: Approval/denial letters, allegations, questionable expenses, profit carryover variance, other <input type="checkbox"/> Department of Revenue: Error corrections, tax bills, tax orders <input type="checkbox"/> IRS: Tax notices <input type="checkbox"/> Miscellaneous correspondence <input type="checkbox"/> Annual audit <input type="checkbox"/> Compliance review report <input type="checkbox"/> Bingo program	Correspondence sent or received relating to the lawful gambling operations.

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Authorization of Expenditures
 Minnesota Statutes 349.15, subdivision 1, requires that "Gross profits from lawful gambling may be expended only for lawful purposes or allowable expenses as authorized by the membership of the conducting organization at a monthly meeting of the organization's membership."
 NOTE: When the membership approves an upper limit of expenses for a particular item, the report to the membership the following month must include the specific check or electronic transaction number, payee, purpose, amount, and date of payment for estimated expenditures from the previous month.

Preapproval: Allowable Expenses

Payee or item to be paid	Brief explanation of the purpose for each expenditure	Expense amount			Approved (Yes/No)
		Limit	OR	Actual	
Central Gaming	pull tab dispenser	0		270	
?	Misc expense	0		100	
B-SMART	Monthly reports	0		750	
Triple Crown	Games + Etab Rev Share	0		4000	
Pilot Games	Etab	0		250	
Shady's Longshots	Rent	0		3000	
Teal's	Raffle Prizes	0		1995	
Cash Bank	Negative Games	0		2000	

Preapproval: Lawful Purpose Expenditures

Payee	Brief explanation of the purpose for each expenditure	LPE Code	\$ amount	Approved (Yes/No)
MN Dept of Rev	Gambling tax	A-8		
Sauk River Chain of Lakes	Donation	A-1		

This report was presented to the organization by the gambling manager or other organization member.

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