

Sauk River Chain of Lakes Association
Board AGENDA
Tuesday, April 25, 2023 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
At Flexible Pipe Tool Co. • 22606 186th Ave • Cold Spring
Microsoft Teams Remote Option

Call to Order – Brad Matuska

Present: Brad Matuska, Aaron Schwartz, Troy Atkinson, Gary Schnobrich, Wayne Karg, Steve Weeres, Richard Gallea, Trish Feldhous - Admin

Team Remote Options: Matt Noska, Susan Antolak, Gambling Manager: Keely Frakes-Rau

Absent: Gene Krebs

Guest: Rick Reimer

Review of past Minutes – Brad Matuska

- March Board Meeting Minutes Approved via Email – Brad Matuska

Gambling Manager Report – Keely Frakes-Rau

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- Bingo and Meat Raffle season is coming to end. We do have enough supplies to continue doing the occasional horse racing.
- Gambling account donation to the SRCLA is anticipated at the end of April.
- Amended February Return due to an error in reporting. This has been amended and sent to MN Dept of Revenue.
- Gambling Volunteer Coordinator Report – Karla Smetana
- Thank you reception will be Wednesday, April 26th at Shady's. All board members are invited to attend.
- We secured the \$1000 sponsorship level for Rock the River. Logo and payment have been sent.
- *Troy made a motion to approve the monthly gambling report, proposed gambling expenses, and pre-approved March taxes. – Seconded by Aaron. Approved*

Financial Report – Troy Atkinson

- So far 285 Memberships have been received. We have gotten 60 online and the rest were sent by mail.
- Financials were discussed and reviewed by the board.
- *Aaron made a motion to approve the March Profit & Loss, Balance Sheet, and Check Detail. – Seconded by Brad. Voted on and approved.*

Administration Report – Brad Matuska

- Administration position was filled.
- Susan will be retiring from the Board the end of May. Rick Reimer is interested in joining. He has lots of experience with soil & water conservation and enjoys the outdoors. His name will be added to the ballot for voting at the Annual meeting.
- Brad's, Troy's, Steve's & Gene's terms of service on the Board are expiring in June. All plan to be on the ballot at the Annual meeting.
- Magazine is laid out and ready to go. Electronic copy was sent to all board members for review.
- Membership asks have been mailed out and followed up by email. Currently waiting on more envelopes.

Marketing/Public Relations Committee Report – Aaron Schwartz, Susan Antolak

- Website has been popular, especially the current lake level page.
- Adjustment was made to website to distinguish between becoming a member or donating. Website also has added educational videos.
- Facebook has had 8000 unique views in March. All updates for social media should be sent to Alison at Extend Marketing.
- Online store has a few orders currently.
- The Online Store will be Open June 10 through 24. This will be published in the spring magazine.
- Payment and Logos have been sent for sponsorships for both Cold Spring's Hometown Pride and Richmond River Lake Days.
- Susan will get information to Karla on our Realtor program. Emails will be sent to Brad, Aaron & Karla in the interim.
- Annual meeting planned for Saturday, June 10th at 9am at Shady's. We are looking into cost of a tent and providing coffee & donuts.

AIS Awareness and Prevention – Steve Weeres

- Lake Level Modeling Project, Grad students will be starting field work.
- I-LIDS Installation will be May 1 pending lake level. Hwy 22 may be problematic and will need a ladder. Steve has a neighbor to help him with this.
- Lake levels are within 2” of the level they were at in May 2022.
- They expect to subside approximately 3” per day for the next 10 days. Levels should be OK by boating season.

Water Quality Committee Report – Gary Schnobrich

- *Gary made a motion to purchase dissolved oxygen meter along with carrying case. Aaron seconded and amended the motion to suggest we get the carrying cases from Pelican. Voted on & approved.*
- Spring ditch clean up will be Saturday, May 6th at 9:30 am. Aaron has all supplies needed except we need except for bags which need to be ordered.
- A new Adopt-a-Highway agreement needs to be made as it is renewed every 2 years.

Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Committee Report – Wayne Karg and Brad Matuska

- Permits have been applied for. We need to do survey work to qualify for the AIS grant.

Fisheries Committee Report - Matt Noska

- Matt will provide update next month.

Land Use Committee Report – Richard Gallea

- Shoreline mapping project is underway. Working with Dr. LaVigne and a volunteer SJU student. They are using aerial satellite maps and categorizing shoreline as natural vs. manicured parcels. Final output is expected by the end of this week (April 28th, 2023)

Old Business

- Discussion on offering SRCLA flags. Looking into options for a supplier (online store piece?) and also sizing.

New Business

- Gary discussed needing help with getting samples for water quality. He will reach out to the Watershed District to obtain coordinates. This needs to be done the week of May 22nd. Wayne offered to help.

Adjourn

- *A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Wayne Karg and seconded by Richard Gallea. – Approved.*

For the Good of the Association – Meeting Schedule

- Tuesday, May 22nd at 6:30 pm at Flexible Pipe Tool
- SRCL Association Annual spring meeting on Saturday, June 10th at 9am at Shady’s Long Shots.