

RLAA Board Meeting Minutes for February 26, 2015

Location: Maple Grove Public Library (Room 105)

Time: 7:00 p.m.

- **Call to Order at 7:15 pm**
 - Present: Rick, George, Scott, Bill
 - Absent: Mark, Luke
- **Approve the Agenda**
- **Treasurer Report (Rick)**
 - FY2015
 - Revenue = \$4,675.00
 - Expenses = \$11,252.53
 - Net Income (Loss) = (\$6,277.53)
 - FY2015 Expenses included:
 - Boat Ramp Repair = \$1,300
 - Plant Survey = \$2,290
 - Fish Survey = \$3,900
 - Shoreline Survey = \$2,950
 - Admin = \$512.53
 - Savings Account down to approximately \$13,000
- **New Business**
 - **2015 Lake Improvement Project (LIP) review (George)**
 - Final submissions due by 2/28.
 - RLAA Board Members agreed on recommended funding requests and approved:

Project Name	Total Cost	RLAA Cost	City Reimburse	Comments
Fish Restocking	\$7,500	\$2,500	\$5,000	Most fish caught by non-RLAA members
Shoreline Erosion	\$2,950	\$750	\$2,200	Over 75% of sites needing control are City/Three Rivers
Carp Barrier	\$1,500	\$1,000	\$500	RLAA will ask Fish Lake to also contribute up to \$500 for lake cost-sharing
 - **Drawdown update (George)**
 - City pending projects.
 - Trees being trimmed along shorelines on Elm Creek (north).
 - Debris being gathered and collected in creek (and later lake).
 - Stumps only to be removed if navigation hazard and on public property.
 - **Shoreline Erosion Assessment project follow up (George)**
 - Impact on residents.
 - 9 private homeowner properties considered High/Medium priority.
 - Communication sent out to all residents & City & TRPD on February 15.
 - Feedback? Pending actions?
 - No feedback yet from residents or City.

- Several residents on Elm Creek (Tristan Bay) seeking corrective action with riprap installations this winter before drawdown concludes.
 - **Fish Restocking update** (George)
 - Discuss latest action and next steps
 - Sub Committee has met one to hear U of Minnesota expert on Carp habits discuss best methods for eliminating and controlling them.
 - Sub Committee interviewing local fisheries for pricing on game fish to restock this spring, including: Largemouth Bass, Sunfish, & Crappies.
 - **Winter Aerator** (George)
 - Consider alternate storage assuming City will not house equipment.
 - Wait until later this summary for next steps to test and store equipment.
 - Find an electrician to help test/repair motor for use next winter.
 - George to check with local electrician who serviced Tristan Bay fountain aerator in the past.
 - **2015 Annual Meeting planning**
 - 1st Tuesday in May (May 5)
 - Discuss venue
 - All agreed that Cambria Suites in Maple Grove worked out well.
 - Discuss and plan food/beverage
 - Inquire about same offering as last year (pizza from Chanticlear and beverages by the motel).
 - Discuss meeting agenda & guests
 - Check if James Johnson from FSS can speak to his projects and the lake in general (post-drawdown).
- **Other Business**
 - 2014 State of the Lakes summary by Steve McComas at last LQC meeting (George)
 - Steve spoke a lot about Rice Lake at the LQC meeting and feels confident that the drawdown will do a good job to help eliminate the remaining carp.
- **Adjournment at 8:55**

Minutes (draft) by George Schneider 3/2/2015

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