

## ML LPOA March 2019 Board Meeting March 13, 2019 Recorded by Julie Moore

Meeting called to order by Tony Graham at 6:38 PM at the Maple Lake Legion.

People in attendance: Tony Graham, Curt Forte, Lisa Breuer, Mike Raiche, Brian Peterson, Mike Polencheck, Ted and Angie Pribyl, Jay Sifferle, Bob Porter, Jamie Heying, Greg and Betty Thomes, Tom Valenta (resident), Julie Moore Absent: Shelia Benson, Rob Pribyl, Paul Decker

Welcome by Tony Graham, President.

**Secretary's Report** – all reports are available on the ML LPOA website. A paper copy was made available of the last minutes. Tony called for any additions/changes...

A Motion was made to approve the Minutes by Curt Forte Seconded by Mike Polencheck
All yay in favor – the motion carried

**Treasury Report** – Jayme Heying shared that between the Raffle, Derby and expenses that we have \$102,000.00 in our account currently. Along with our 2 Notes Receivable of 20k (Gambling) and 5k (LID) we are in the black on our balance sheet or a total of \$127,000.00. We are also to receive some remaining advertising receipts not yet referenced.

A Motion was made by Lisa Breuer to accept the Treasury Report Seconded by Betty Thomes All yay in favor – the motion carried

**Membership Report** – Tony Graham shared the following metrics and to remind all that membership dues and will be collected at the May Meeting.

- 2018 YTD 159 pd / 53%
- 2017 Year 135 pd / 45%
- 2016 Year 156 pd / 52%
- 304 Properties

**MLPOA Gaming Report** – Mike Raiche shared that monthly required meetings are being held to stay compliant with the rules/regulations of holding our license. With two months running we are well on track for our overall financial objective. Specific dollar amounts will be discussed at each meeting. He has procured appropriate storage for equipment and is search of a scale to help with the accounting of the pull tabs. Expenses for February included \$1,800.00 for the Youth Baseball Group and \$3,594.00 in taxes.

A further review was discussed on the Expense Report for the MLPOA pertaining to Expenses including:

- Allowable Expenses -February \$8126.00
  - o (including compensation, rent, electronic pull tabs and bingo totaling \$6,001.35
- Compensation \$1225.11
- Rent -\$2564.00
- Paddle Wheel Center Cut Meats -\$1460.00
- Lawful Purpose Expenditures
  - o Donation of Benefiting Youth (baseball) of \$1,500.00
  - ML-LPOA \$22,781.00

Mike wanted to point out we are doing well as reviewed on our previous pro-forma and that Madigan's has been great to work with regarding food specials and other ideas to encourage growth in our numbers. A motion was made by Betty Thomes to accept the Gambling Update. Seconded by Curt Forte All yay in favor – the motion carried

**Fishing Derby** – Greg Thomes shared an overview of the 2019 Derby. Recapping the list of people and Sponsors needed to help pull off an amazing derby and wanted to thank all the sponsors and volunteers with a special thanks to Betty Thomes, Jay Sifferle, Deb Geyen, Tony Graham, Jamie & Tony Heying and Brian Peterson.

Greg shared there was a definite boost in ticket sales and that having sales commence earlier aided greatly in the outcome. With some prize carryover and expenses paid – the outcome was favorable. Contributions that need to be recognized (Fire Dept. 1k, Post Prom Committee \$500, Spanish Club \$500 and the Boy Scouts \$250.00) There was discussion to raise the Boy Scouts to \$500 for next year as there was a lot of clean up that was very well appreciated. Noted as well was the band was great.

President Graham thanked Greg for all of his hard work and obtained a commitment that Greg would be on board for next year. Also, a big thank you to Jay and Brian for their hard work in adding sponsors. A wrap up meeting will be scheduled shortly. Note as well over 480 fish were registered. Invoices were presented for payment of the White and Yellow Fish Houses for the 2020 derby.

A motion was made by Jay Sifferle to approve the update and pay the invoices. Seconded by Lisa Breuer
All yay in favor – the motion carried

**Fishing Derby LLC Project** – Bob Porter shared that he has been researching the idea of an LLC with an attorney. Discussion ensued regarding liability, nonprofit status, tax liabilities issues we having with a where to acknowledge raffle proceeds along with our gambling licensure etc. This is a very complicated area where Bob has done extensive research pertaining to costs of insurance and tax ramifications. In addition to the assumption of an audit of our books, an additional audit is going to be required due to the volume of activity. Betty recapped LLC vs. Corp and LLC is better for us.

A motion was made to provide further investigation for the overall financial impact and for Bob to make a formal recommendation to the Board by Betty Thomes.

Seconded by Brian Peterson

All yay in favor – the motion carried.

**Maple Lake -MLIDWC** – Mike Raiche shared a map of the lake and budget for weed spraying plans for 2019, and review of 2018 results – More information will be provided this spring. Plans are to have information and results by our spring meeting.

Meeting minutes are posted on our website.

We reviewed last year's weed spray applications and plans for 2019. We are awaiting further information from PLM. The MLID committee approved:

- Up to \$2,000.00 for Delineation
- > \$6,304 approved for CLPW navigation in the channel (additional funds could be required from the MLPOA if we address more areas.
- > EWM \$36,987.00 / approx. 30 acres

Also, we are losing two volunteers for the weed/water committee (John Jennings and Bill Ruddle). John and Bill have given countless hours of service. We want to thank them for all their service and are actively seeking replacements. Please reach out to Tony or Mike if you have an interest and can help.

**WRIP – Wright County Inspection Program –** Tony Graham shared the survey results or 212 sent via email, 133 opened and 89 voted y, 15 n, 29 did not vote or 85.6% y.

A town hall meeting was held and notice was give via mail to all property owners. 42 properties were in attendance with an 88% y vote. Of the Board, 16y, 1 no vote.

There was a Commissioner Committee meeting held on Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> regarding voting on the WRIP.

There are upcoming meetings and dates:

March 19 – Commissioner Meeting – WRIP Ordinance Hearing / Vote

March 25 – Southside Township 1 PM WRIP bylaws

April 15 - Contract and Payment to WRIP due

April 15 - DNR Approval deadline

There was discussion regarding the WRIP Coalition going from 3 lakes to 11 – how will the staff and the quality needing to be improved upon. Also, we will have signage needs at both boat landings.

Mike Raiche mentioned the need for help to attend the commission meetings and to please contact him if you can assist.

**Directory Update** – Brian Peterson shared his status with the directory. He is pursuing advertising and making corrections. He mentioned the need for Lake Captains to be appointed on the various lakes to welcome new residents. He shared the sponsorship form and asked for 20 new lake pictures for the 2019 directory. The printer deadline is the end of the month and he was to be ready to print by mid-April. Anticipated cost remains around \$1,100.00.

**Volunteering Needs** – Mike and Tony shared the need for help for the following areas:

- Attendance at the WRIP Meetings during the days mentioned above
- Weed Water Team work with delineation team 1 x per year
  - Water level readings 4 5 x per year
  - Coordinate spaying
- Membership coordinator
  - Welcome new property owners
  - Help audit who's here who's left
  - Reporting

Please reach out to Tony or Mike...

## **Board Resignations** – Tony shared the following:

- Mary Smith
- John Jennings

The next meeting will be held April 17<sup>th</sup>. Location TBD. The Annual Meeting is on May 4<sup>th</sup>.

## Additions to the Agenda -

Mike Polencheck discussed walleyes stocking. The association stocked Walleye years ago. He will do some research and cost and viability and report back to the board.

Bob Porter asked for a motion to approve and file taxes:

Brian Peterson made a motion Betty Thomes Seconded All yay in favor – the motion carried

Also there was a bill that needed approval for tax preparation:

Betty Thomes made a motion to approve this payment Jay Sifferle Seconded All yay in favor – the motion carried

Lastly, Bob indicated out software was out of date and hard to work with....

Betty Thomes made a motion to update the software at around \$250 per year Curt Forte Seconded
All yay in favor – the motion carried

President Graham adjourned the meeting at 8:42 pm

## Board of Directors:

Tony Graham	-President	Mike Raiche	Breuer Lisa	Decker Paul	Forte Curt
Rob Pribyl	-Vice President	Johnson Bob	Porter Bob	Peterson Brian	n Sifferle Jay
Jamie Heying	-Treasurer	Pribyl Ted	Polencheck Mike		
Julie Moore	-Secretary	Thomes Greg	Thomes Betty		