



## CLARK LAKE ADVANCEMENT ASSOCIATION

### Annual Association Meeting Minutes

July 11, 2020, 9 a.m.

Jacksonport Park Pavilion and FCC Call-in

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**Call Meeting to Order at 9:06 a.m.**

**Introduction of Board Members**

**Roll Call**

**Determination of necessary quorum for the Annual Meeting**

31 required - 36 present (15 in person, 8 via FCC call in, 13 proxy)

**Approval of Agenda** Motion to approve made by Pat Canney, second by Dick Martin. Agenda approved.

**Approval of minutes as published:** 2019 Annual Meeting Minutes

Correction to be made—date correction, should be July 13, 2019 and not

July 14, 2018. Chuck Birringer to correct on website. Motion to approve 2019 Annual Meeting Minutes, with date correction, made by Mark Weisse, second by Pat Canney. Motion Carried.

## Business Item

### 1. Financial:

- a. Treasurer's Report- 2019 financials are on the website. Paid membership for 2019 was 240 compare with 248 for 2018. We were budgeted to receive \$500 in donations, and we received \$2134 in Boat Ramp donations and \$1160 from members. We also received \$3500 in Grant Income in 2019. There were project expenses budgeted for \$2000 but were not spent in 2019.
- b. Proposed 2021 Budget-Budgeting \$8,500 of income and \$12,375 of expenses for a net negative of \$3875. Current balance in the checking account is \$31,554.07. Motion to approve the budget by Pat Canney, second by Dick Martin. Motion approved.

### 2. Director elections

- a. Renew Gwen Graboyes and Mike Brunet for 3-year term. Motion to renew by Sue Oldenberg, second by Dick Martin. Motion approved.
- b. Filling two vacant positions, Betty Van Bellinger agreed to fill Marilyn VanLieshout's position. Motion for Betty VanBellinger to join the board. Motion made by Chuck Birringer, second by Dick Martin. Motion approved.
- c. During summation of the meeting, it was noted that Patrick Canney's Board position was not filled/renewed. Patrick Canney volunteered to serve another term. There was not a vote by the membership, nor were there any objections. Bylaws, section 6.3, does not cover filling vacancies that are left open. The Board will discuss at next Board meeting.

### 3. Vote on Bylaw Change to section 3.1

- a. **Proposed Addition to Membership Section-Add Paragraph d.) Leave paragraphs a), b) and c) as is. d.) Associate Member- any person not eligible to be a regular member shall be eligible to be an Associate Member by motion of the Board of Directors. An Associate Member pays no dues and is not eligible to vote. An Associate Member who provides a donation at least equal to the Regular Membership Dues**

***will be able to participate in member benefits as determined by motion of the Board of Directors.***

- b. The goal is to recognize those who donate money and time to the association, with an associate membership. Pat Canney makes motion to vote on amendment. Second by Ralph Dunn.
- c. Discussion followed-membership benefits to be determined by the board. The votes cast at meeting were 18 yes and 10 no. The motion passed but should not have as 18.67 votes would have constituted a 2/3 majority. In the days that followed the meeting, members who were on the FCC call who thought they cast their votes, were not heard and could not hear the results of the meeting. Each proxy voter, in-person attendee and FCC attendee were contacted via phone or email to determine how they voted. In total there were actually 36 attendees, as the FCC detail showed additional callers joined the meeting after it started. There were 34 votes cast (2 abstained). The final vote tally is 25 votes in favor and 9 votes against the amendment. Motion carried. The amendment passed. (See attached detail)

#### 4. Committee Reports

- a. Social Committee-Dick Martin explained that many of our events this year have been cancelled due to Covid-19. The youth fishing event and annual picnic were cancelled. We have requested a refund of the \$100 deposit for the picnic. The 4<sup>th</sup> of July Boat Parade was held, \$650 from the social committee budget of \$1500 was spent on Jerry Voelker's band. A lot of positive feedback and Jerry Voelker would be willing to provide the entertainment again next year. The Fall Dinner is scheduled for 9/19/20 at the Log Den. Hopefully it can still be held. Still looking for a guest speaker for Fall Dinner. The social committee is discussing other events, such as a Poker Run/Bike event, which would be a COVID safe event.
- b. Fish/Wildlife Committee-Pat Canney said we are awaiting the reports on the fish census. Looking for input on stocking perch or walleye. On hold until we get the census report from the DNR. There are two Fish Sticks sites still planned for 2020.
- c. Water Quality and Vegetation Committee-Mark Weisse

- i. The Annual Water Quality report is posted on the CLAA website.
  - ii. There was no significant change from prior years, but members are reminded to do annual well testing.
  - iii. *Natural Shores*-Members encouraged to adhere to Natural Shores goals and to check out the demonstration site at the West side boat ramp. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped with the project. A member survey is being done to document how many currently have a 35 ft. vegetative buffer. Info generated will be build a data base of those interested in installing native plants.
  - iv. Continued recruitment of members to apply for a Healthy Lakes Grant. WQVC is exploring other methods to engage more members in lake health.
  - v. *Ramp Volunteers*-COVID precautions have restricted our ramp Volunteers. Information is posted and volunteers will be doing trailer inspections and education while social distancing.
  - vi. *Phragmites*-treatment is still planned, but we may need to alter the date which is dependent upon applicator availability and limited size of the treatment group.
  - vii. *Bulrush*-reduced frequency of bulrush studies, none scheduled this year. Some bulrush transplanted to the demonstration site and this may be done in other areas in the future. Bulrush are still threatened. Boaters are reminded to avoid any activity where bulrush are present and to respect the mandatory and voluntary No motor and Slow no wake zone.
- d. Lake safety and Maintenance/Ad Hoc Boat Ramp Committees Mark Weisse- Donations at boat ramp collected in 2019 were \$2134. We are currently ahead of where we were last year at this point. With heavy boat use we have seen; we are at \$1694 so far this year. Signage at the West side ramp is being evaluated for content and appearance. Current water level is at 9, which is the highest it should get, per the DNR dam permit. The lake level is monitored and when requested or if significant event, but any concerns should be directed to the Town of Sevastopol. Power loading continues to be an issue, resulting in a hole

and then a ridge as you progress outward along the ramp. There is also a V shaped that results in trailers rocking. Last year's all member survey revealed while members found it annoying, they are willing to put up with it for the two times a year they use the ramp. No major plans for a large project to address this. Manually filling the hole will be done to help with this issue. Comments on Lake Safety-Ralph Dunn mentioned that last summer he was fishing on the north end. A ski boat went on one side of him and a wake surfing boat went along the other side and Ralph's boat took on water. Boaters are reminded that they are responsible for their wake they create and how it impacts others.

- e. Communications and Website- Chuck Birringer the annual letter will be mailed and available online. Will continue printing the member directory as many members like having a hard copy. If members need to communicate with the board, use the contact us tab on the website. CLAA will be expanding electronic communications in the future. Boat Parade Pictures and Videos will be added to the website. Exploring an option for members to pay dues electronically.
- f. Membership- Chuck Birringer will add a space for a second email and cell phone number for members.
- g. Ad-Hoc Emergency Response-Gwenn Graboyes. On Hold
- h. Cooperative Purchasing- Chuck Birringer reported the propane contracts are completed and both and agreements on the website. Lakes Gas has 125 participants and Amerigas has 5 participants. Going Garbage is offering the same rates as last year. If anyone is interested in Asphalt Paving (not sealing) contact Chuck Birringer via contact us tab on the website. High Speed internet continues to progress. Discussion that Frontier isn't taking any new customers. DCBB is limited to existing tower. Members mentioned hearing a 100-foot retransmission tower may be placed on the West Shore. Some members reported good luck with Cellular internet through AT&T, US Cellular and Cell Comm. For Charter/Spectrum, although not available on Clark Lake, customers can put in a request for service, in hopes that they run service to our area if enough people request it.

**Adjournment-** Motion to adjourn made by Pat Canney. Second by Ralph Dunn, adjourned 10:25 AM.

**Annual Meeting Attendance**

	Yes	No	Abstain
<b>Present (15)</b>			
Mike Brunet	1		
Gwenn Graboyes		1	
Sue Oldenburg	1		
Kathy Steinmetz	1		
Chuck Birringer	1		
Pat Canney		1	
Richard Martin		1	
Ralph Dunn	1		
Mark Weisse		1	
Chuck Davelis			1
Bill Hebal		1	
Mike Mc Henry	1		
Jean McHenry		1	
Terry Schneider		1	
Wayne Semmerling	1		
<b>FCC (8)</b>			
Fred Foreman	1		
Bob Kufrin	1		
Edee Madsen			1
Kathy Paulson	1		
Tim Temby	1		
Erika Ward	1		
John Zima	1		
Cheryl Zima	1		
<b>Proxy (13)</b>			
Rick Mrozinsky	1		Tim Temby
Lisa Angell	1		Lainie Kufrin
Tom Denamur		1	Mark Weisse
Lauri Dolan	1		Cathy Paulson
Dick Egan	1		Kathy Steinmetz
Bob Fox	1		Ralph Dunn
Joel Frank	1		Fred Foreman
Al Hoff	1		Sue Oldenburg
Mike Italiano	1		Erika Ward
Mike Karbowski	1		Chuck Birringer
Laura Marvil	1		Pat Canney
Sue Rief		1	Dick Martin
Heather Smith	1		Mike Brunet
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