

QLIA Executive Board Meeting Minutes from May 19, 2023

Residence on Lost Land Lake, Hayward WI 54843

Board Members Present: Norm Bratteig, President – Steve Fiala, Director at Large - Kim Phelps, Vice President - Carolyn Ascher, Secretary

Norm Bratteig called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

Secretary Report Carolyn Ascher referenced the recent success with monthly newsletters that have been emailed to our entire membership. Amy Jo Wittenberg has been leading the fundraising group in addition to running our emails to the members from MailChimp. Carolyn mentioned she will learn MailChimp from Amy Jo soon to take some of the burden off Amy Jo. Carolyn mentioned she is waiting on a list of members who donated for Tier donations however did not pay actual member dues yet. Perry will get this list to Carolyn so she can make some phone calls.

President Norm Bratteig presented his agenda for today which included EcoHarvester condition, Blumer & Mader progress, Buoys, Sawyer County Hazardous Waste upcoming dates, Positions open for election, Harvester Maintenance, Picnic planning progress & Spider Lake directory sample.

Sample Directory from the Spider Chain of Lakes was presented by Norm. We all agreed that this hard-copy directory would be useful to property owners and QLIA Members. Especially considering there are many elderly property owners who would appreciate a hard-copy member directory.

Harvester needs supplies and Gary Keil & Kim Phelps mentioned the need for a new drum, oil & some other minor parts. Steve, Kim & Norm will make a trip to where the Harvester is stored after today's board meeting to further assess the damage on the Harvester. Also, the board will do some research over the next few days to verify the expensive oil brand is needed. A new gas can is needed and this was approved by the board.

Larry Keller from the Spider Chain of Lakes Association announced Shoreline Educational Program presented by: Natalie Erler. The board asked if our invitation for this session on June 8 at Blackiron Resort was open to anyone or only to the QLIA Members. During the meeting Carolyn emailed Larry Keller and we confirmed it will be open to everyone interested. Amy Jo will add this announcement to our newsletter.

Steve Fiala suggested we provide a friendly reminder to the members in our May 2023 newsletter regarding members who graciously donated to the Tier funding but missed their association dues. We agreed this should be included in the May 2023 newsletter to all members.

The TOSL Fire Dept. Picnic is on July 9, 2023. The board decided it was a good idea to announce this event to the members in our newsletter. There was a discussion to make a dedicated email, however too many emails create confusion so the TOSL FD Picnic announcement will be included in our newsletter with other QLIA news & events.

September 13, 2023 is the next Sawyer County Hazardous Waste date. We were hoping to dispose of some paint and old oil however we will need to wait until September 13, 2023. This will be another valuable message to our members in the August 2023 newsletter.

The question was raised regarding EcoHarvester grant funds and deadlines for grant applications. We emailed Megan Mader & David Blumer and they stated we are on track because the Harvester funds are included in the Large Scale Population Management grant hence we do not need to be concerned about a separate grant for the Harvester.

Regarding the QLIA Picnic for August 13, 2023 (at Reel Livin' Resort), Norm discussed that he wanted the food for the event provided by and paid by the QLIA. Karen, Martha and the QLIA picnic committee will meet again soon and finalize plans that can be shared with the board. Martha Cowan already secured items for the event such as corn hole bag games from Aschers.

Annual Meeting July 15 at 10:00 a.m. – Verify & announce that the open QLIA board positions are announced 30 days before the annual meeting. Guests: ***Dave Blumer with LEAPS LLC will attend annual meeting on 7/15/23 & Megan Mader will attend picnic on 8/13/23.***

Administrative portion of board Meeting Adjourned at 10:50 a.m. then Kim, Steve & Norm moved the meeting to the EcoHarvester storage location to further assess damage.