

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors
Lake Washington Improvement Association
Tuesday, 01/21/2025**

The monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Washington Improvement Association was held at the Lake Washington Park community center. The following board members were present: Jason Femrite (JFemrite), Spenser Bradley (SB), Jim Folden (JF), Greg Germscheid (GG), Nicki Veith (NV), Joel Prybylla (JP), Brenda Hennek (BH), Kent Reeves (KR), Jerry Lynch (JL,6:45)

LWIA Board meeting

President Femrite to order at 6:05 PM

Motion to approve the Agenda was made, seconded and unanimously approved, with the addition of an item under Old Business: the Newsletter, and under "New Business: our Dropbox account" JF/GG

Minutes from the December meeting were reviewed. Motion was made to approve the minutes. It was seconded and unanimously approved. SB/GG

The Gambling report for the December accounting period was presented by Kent Reeves. The net gain for the month from our four sites was \$9499.35. LWIA's share of the net gain was \$4433.95. Cash over/short was reported and inventories on hand were reported. Cash on hand in the gambling checking account at month's end is \$133,459.37, and vouchers for the month totaled \$51,282.09.

- 1) The gambling fund needs pre-approval for all checks listed on LG1004
- 2) Some months our organization meeting is on the 20th or after. Any month this occurs, pre-approval is needed to pay bills that come due on the 20th or before. Pre-approval is also needed to pay the MN Department of Revenue for state fees and combined receipts for taxes before the 20th of the month.
- 3) Vouchers numbered 8106 thru 8125 were presented for approval. They were for city taxes, state fees, accounting fees, storage fees/rent, rents, lawful purpose expenditures, auditing fees, misc. cash/bank money, pull-tabs and e gaming.

There were no lawful purpose expenditures.

All supporting documentation was present for review by the Board.

A motion was made to approve items 1-3 on this report, and to approve the report as presented (with an corrected LG1004). Jim Folden/Joel Prybylla. Kent Reeves abstained. Unanimously approved.

Kent mentioned he has obtained a desk, and printer/scanner from a defunct office place in the metro. They were at no charge, but his mileage is a little higher as he had to pick them up. Discussion about the new e-tab gaming that went into effect Jan 1. Kent informed us that the Gambling Office predicts a 12% decrease in revenue as a consequence. It seems the games as quite a bit slower than they had been. It seems Curt W, Kent's assistant, will be undergoing a lung transplant soon. Curt's brother Steve has been helping and Kent assures us that he will be able to keep up in Curt's absence, with Steve's help. Lastly, there is another potential site that is being looked at. It are not open yet, but this will be pursued.

General Business: Committee Reports

Treasurer's Report: Presented by Spenser. No significant changes. Motion to approve report made, seconded and unanimously approved. JP/GG.

Communications/Social Media: Jim F presented information from KatoWeb about our current website. The current software needs an update to run on the server, there are outdated or missing pictures/board members, and text that should be updated, and two enhancements could be added. After discussion, all was tabled pending a communications committee meeting. Dan Sachau has resigned from the Board, so Jerry Lynch stepped in as chair for this committee.

Fundraising Committee: Nicki gave an update on the upcoming Polar Par-Tee event. There are 22 teams to date, and 11 sponsors. Also 9 chili entries. Jerry Lynch informed us that he was able to get advertising on Radio Mankato in exchange for ads on our social media and signage. Also "Stunt monkey" will be available for DJ services from 2-4PM. Additional discussion on the layout and games occurred.

Investment/Finance Committee: No change, no report.

Water Quality Committee: No report.

AIS Committee: Brenda presented. She reported on the recent committee meeting. Based on submitted information the committee recommended we stay with Lake Restoration. The question of why it was a 3 yr contract came up, so before the contract is signed, more information will be obtained as to the benefit of a 3 yr contract vs a 1 yr contract. But a motion was made to use Lake Restoration by JFemrite, seconded by JF, and unanimously approved. Another motion was made and approved to have a new delineation survey done. Jfemrite/JF, unanimously approved. There is no news yet as to the grant status.

Old business: Camp Patterson and annual meeting: Camp Patterson is unable to accommodate us during any other period than late August. Jthe amount requested for printing should be under \$900. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to go ahead. This may be the final printed version. An announcement will be made at the annual meeting that from now on, it will be strictly electronic.

New Business: Jim F brought up the fact that our dropbox as getting full. Does the Board want to increase storage, or use a different service? Joel P thought maybe just keep the stuff we need to access on Dropbox, and archive the rest on a thumb drive. It was agreed that would be sufficient. Jim F also notified the Board about the thank you to the Board from Kathy F for her card and check.

Meeting Wrap-Up: None

The next meeting will be on February 18, 2025

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 7:15 PM. (JF/SB)

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary, Jim Folden 01/23/25