

Paulinskill Lake Association
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Board Meeting Minutes
Stillwater Community Center
December 13, 2023
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Roll Call :

x	Scott Douglas President	x	Tom Williver Vice President	?	Pati Grablutz Corr Sec	n / a	Financial Secretary
x	Linda McSweeney Treasurer	a b	MaryAnne Choma Recording Secretary	x	Watson Perigo Roads & Trustee 1	x	Dave Williams Entertainment & Trustee 2
a b	Buildings/Grounds & Trustee 3	x	Suzanne Troiano Membership & Trustee 4	x	Cindy Tracey Environment & Trustee 5	x	Courtney Tormey Beaches/Rec & Trustee 6

Approval of Minutes

- **Previous month’s action items to review:**
 - November action items reviewed prior to approving the minutes
 - 1099 form is required if Board accept wave of dues to be on the Board
 - 660.00 dues
 - no resignations at this time
 - Pickleball - need to switch vender
 - feasible to pave roads one at a time (no - cost prohibitive explanation shared)
 - new PLA addresses updated on website
 - Template for supporting social media dialogue crafted by MaryAnne and shared with the Board for feedback
 - motion to approve the Nov minutes - Scott. Second by Cindy
 - 2 abstained
 - minutes approved

- During the December meeting, Dawn Delaney was in attendance, so Scott asked if she would communicate and reserve the Community Center for the 2nd Wednesday of the month for 2024 from 7-9pm as well as September 21 for the Annual Meeting.
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Membership Comments/Input

- A Member (*not sure who?*) submitted questions to Cindy. Scott asked to read them:
 - Why do we as a community need to be concerned about how others are using the lake? What is the PLA responsibility and what is not?
 - This question pertains to posts on the unofficial Facebook page
 - Q = oversized boat post
 - A = launches above the clausway being discussed with Fish and Game to help clarify understandings
 - Q - pollution of lake w lawn clippings post
 - A - leaves naturally fall into the lake. Intentionally blowing a quantity of leaves into our lake creates algae growth, a danger to the quality of our water quality and our communities access to clean water. We strive to protect our water from all fertilizer, including excessive leaf compost.
 - Explanation that members posted a retort to basically “mind own business” and this member wanted to have the explanation for these posts validated. Board views these posts as Public Service Announcements (PSA)
- Courtney Johansen -
 - Scott shared his intent to appoint Courtney to the Financial Secretary position when Linda McSweeny leaves the position to become Treasurer. Scott asked Courtney to tell us a little about herself.
- Dawn Delany offered update from Stillwater Township
 - (*It was tough to hear Dawn on the recording. Please fill in gaps if possible*)
 - ...stepped down from Township Committee
 - Committee appointed Manser to fill the position
 - Lynda Knott, 19 years as Deputy clerk, retiring
 - hired Valerie Ingles
 - working closely with town of Newton in regards to animal control
 - Please note: Community Center has been updated and cared for. Please keep us posted if people see misuse.

Old Business:

- Status of Feasibility study –
 - Tom - no updates
- Capital Improvements -
 - Scott plans to cancel order for benches due to lack of progress

- o Switch to Grainger to order the capital improvement items approved by Membership at Annual Meeting
- 1099 Filings
 - o No members interested in resigning because of the 1099 form
- Membership Survey for Events
 - o Suzanne shared her interest in chatting with events prior to this outreach
 - o to be sent after holidays
- Paulinskill Lake - Request for Expert Review and Input on Title 13 Chapter 82 Statutes Pertaining to Boating Safety
 - o Scott received an email from the coalition wanting to get new regulations out soon.
 - focus on personal floatation devices to be enforced between Nov & May due to hyperthermia
 - 200 feet distance during water skiing - not possible in Paulinskill Lake
 - our lake is 350 feet at its widest point
 - Scott replied and explained that Paulinskill has statute for us
 - coalition will get back to Scott ~ Scott wants to get this information in writing for us

New Business:

- Financial Reports
 - o overview offered by Scott on the balance of the accounts
 - o motion to accept the treasurer report. Linda second. motion approved
 - o Call for 2023 receipts prior to end of year
- Tree Removals
 - o identify trees at risk for falling
 - o notify neighbors
 - o attorney sent Scott document outlining where we can take action (hanging over all roads)
 - o Deer Run tree discussed
 - o West End and Paulinskill Lake Road - big spooky tree - Township owns that property and can do what they want
- President Appointment - Financial Secretary - Remaining term of 2024 Courtney Johansen
 - o Vote needed by PLA Board
- Reservation of Stillwater Community Center for the second Wednesday of each month in 2024.
 - o Dawn Delany took care of this since she was at the meeting
 - o in fall we will let know about Annual meeting Sept 21 2024 (3rd Saturday) Dawn to pencil PLA in on calendar at township
 - o 915 East End - roads discussion

Action Items:

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Executive Session

- motion to appoint Courtney Johansen to financial secretary for remainder of 2024
- Courtney does have background in working with money

- moved

Membership Comments/Input

Adjourn

Next Meeting: