

Minutes expected to be approved at the next meeting on August 13, 2022.

SLPIA

SILVER LAKE PARK IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION, INC.

MINUTES

7.12.2022

The June 14, 2022, meeting was held at 7:30 am at City Hall.

Members present: Del Lassen, Gary Taber, Dan Breuker, Seth Hellinga, Ashley Hibma, Herb Stewart, Jack Bradshaw, Scott Mitchell and Robyn Wilson

Members absent: none

Also present: Kim Wermersen, Marie Matthiesen, Dick Packebush, Phil Hayes, John Wills, Mike Hawkins, and Shirley Gillespie

Minutes of the June 14, 2022, meeting was approved through a motion made by Herb and seconded by Gary.

Dan provided the finance report. As of the first of the month, the checking account balance was \$55,449.82. Dan thought 65 memberships have been received. Scott made a motion to approve the finance report; Ashley provided the second; motion was approved.

Mike Hawkins had arranged a tour of the lake to show some of the restoration work. The tour will be after this meeting. He shared that they had found two severed lines on the aeration system. A diver will be required to fix the lines. He thought the system was over 30 years old.

John Wills shared that the WQC grant submission will be from Aug 1 – Oct 2. John will submit grant for the water sampling. SLPIA needs to send an invoice to get reimbursement.

Informal discussion was held on posting agenda 1 week prior to the meeting. Consensus was not to change this.

Also, Robyn wanted to know if she should change the Secretary of State website information to show her as president of board rather than Seth. Consensus was to do so.

There were no zoning updates at this time.

Ashley has found out that the Silverlakeia.com domain may become available on Oct. 15. It will cost \$20/year to obtain domain. The board thought setting up a Silverlakeiowa.org domain would be prudent. It will cost \$40/year for both the .org and .com domains. Scott made the motion to acquire the .org domain and if the .com domain becomes available to purchase that. Herb provided the second; motion carried.

Ashley then suggested that the board subscribe to a host website. She suggested Ecommerce which will cost \$150/year and assess a 2.7% credit card fee. Seth made a motion to subscribe to Ecommerce; Jack provided the second; motion carried.

Points of interest – annual meeting on Aug 13 at 9 am; no update on fish barriers; next step of restoration will be working with Trappers Bay

Robyn had delivered shoreline restoration grant applications to all land owners around the lake. She thought there was a lot of interest in the grants; Mike shared he did 4 site visits so far and was doing another one today; John shared he had 2 site visits. Robyn asked if the \$5,000 limit be per property vs per landowner. It was pointed out that the grant was for 10% of cost up to \$5,000. Gary made the motion that the grant be per property (not per landowner); Del provided the second; motion carried.

John brought up a point of concern regarding an organic farmer that was farming 400 acres that was along the lake shoreline. Neighbors are concerned about the wind and water erosion caused by doing more cultivation. He said a soil loss complaint can be made to the Soil and Water Conservation committee. That committee would meet with the owner to work out preventative measures. If landowner wasn't willing to make improvements, the committee would have the work done and then bill the landowner. The committee needs proof of the damages so John recommended that photos be taken ASAP after next occurrence. He thought the SLPIA could make such a complaint. SLPIA thought they should mail a letter to the landowner first stating the concerns of erosion. This topic will be put on the agenda for next month's meeting.

Since the annual meeting will be Aug 13, there will not be a regular monthly meeting on the 9th.

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned

Robyn Wilson, President

Jack Bradshaw, Secretary

The next meeting will be Aug 13, 2022