

## LRLA Membership Meeting

7/20/21 6:30pm Watab Town Hall

Call to order by Mary Kivi @ 6:30

Attendance: Mary Kivi, Corrine Jacobs, Rob Jacobs, Amy Claude, Chuck Rau, Jason Lage

1. No new agenda items to add from membership added
2. Treasurer's Report – Mary Kivi
  - a. Drawdown account
    - i. Beginning balance - \$9657.04
    - ii. No new transactions
  - b. LRLA account
    - i. Beginning balance \$3405.17
    - ii. Cleared checks - \$451.20
    - iii. Deposits - \$1813.04
    - iv. Ending balance - \$4767.01
    - v. Rob motioned to approve, member seconded – approved by membership
3. Committee Reports
  - a. Membership: Liz
    - i. Will be separating membership dues from 2020 and 2021
    - ii. Board approved yearly reminders to let members know where they stand
    - iii. We will be asking for lake, winter and email addresses to get more accurate ways to correspond to members
  - b. Fundraising: Corrine and Amy
    - i. We didn't get any response for meat raffle sign ups and did not pursue
      1. Phyllis and Sherri (LRLA Members) would be willing to help at the Legion
    - ii. May want to look at doing some meat raffles in November
  - c. Eco Harvester: Rob and Chuck
    - i. Frank is trying to set up a meeting with Eric, Dr Julius, and LRLA Eco committee
      1. Need to know net impact of curly leaf and phosphorus impact
      2. Waiting for DNR mapping results
      3. Need to figure out if it is worth the money and will actually help the lake
      4. Does Eric and Dr Julius think we should move forward ?
      5. Member thinks it may be too expensive for expected benefits
        - a. We have a 60% increase in weeds
        - b. 40% was curly leaf
        - c. Some good weeds but the curly leaf is not
        - d. Eric is trying to get the conversion ratio on the dying curly leaf
          - i. We need this info from Dr Julius
          - ii. There's potential in removing the curly leaf from the lake rather than it dying and remaining in the lake
      6. Removing the curly leaf may allow for the native plants to grow

- d. Website: Ginny and Jason
    - i. Ginny and Jason have connected with Brian the web master successfully
    - ii. They have made some changes and working on future updates
    - iii. A meeting got pushed back but are meeting again tomorrow at 10am
    - iv. Looking forward to updating the design of the website and adding prudent information
      - 1. Links are connecting appropriately
      - 2. Would like the history of the lake added
      - 3. Add a memory page link to display past LRLA members that have passed
      - 4. Add a link to a store to sell LRLA items
        - a. Shirts
        - b. mugs
      - 5. Could have updated information on the status of the lake
        - a. Hoping Eric can help with this
      - 6. Add monthly membership meeting minutes
    - v. We are having a photo contest and the winning picture will be added to the website
      - 1. You can add your photos to LRLA FB or Blog
      - 2. Will try to get this done prior to the picnic
  - e. Annual Picnic: Mary, Corrine and Pat – Sept 11<sup>th</sup> @ Benton Beach
    - i. Silent auction
      - 1. We would like donations, baskets and any other items for the silent auction
        - a. Can drop items off at Mary's, Corrine's or Pat & Ginny's
      - 2. Need help from membership for picnic
    - ii. We will try to go back to July next year rather than August or Sept
    - iii. Food
      - 1. Will order Pizza Ranch Chicken
      - 2. Members to bring salads and goodies to share
    - iv. Picnic schedule
      - 1. Meeting at 10:30
      - 2. Eating at noon to allow time for membership renewal
4. Eric's Lake report
- a. Lake smell
    - i. Is coming from the decaying plant matter
    - ii. Drought and heat in not helping
    - iii. Many lakes in the area are having the same issues
    - iv. A few rains in the watershed may help
  - b. The lake is not toxic to swim in
    - i. As of a few weeks ago the poisonous algae was not present in the lake
    - ii. Dr Julius has been testing this routinely
5. New Business
- a. Recruiting new board members
    - i. We need to get more active members

- ii. Have current members help with different committees and such
  - b. LRLA logo apparel and other logo options format
    - i. Wicken T-shirt
      - 1. Women sizes to order – medium, large, XL and 2XL
      - 2. Men sizes – XL, 2XL and 3XL
      - 3. Colors to order - White, black, gray and navy blue
    - ii. Sweatshirts
      - 1. Would people prefer full zip or half zip?
        - a. Full zip gets most votes
  - c. Member fundraising idea
    - i. Could try to get businesses to donate money to our cause by letting them know we are with that association
      - 1. Mary will add this to the Newsletter to let members know we are looking into this
    - ii. Remind members about Amazon smiles for additional fundraising
      - 1. Need to find ways to promote this
      - 2. May need to help users set this up at the picnic
      - 3. May add info to blog and FB with sign up steps
- 6. Old Business
  - a. Beaver Island Brewery Fundraiser
    - i. \$330 was raised
  - b. Mary is going to contact Rice about being in the Rice parade
    - i. If able Mary will drive and throw candy for this
- 7. Meeting Close @ 7:21 Member motioned to adjourn, seconded by Bev

Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 17<sup>th</sup> – 6:30pm @ Township Hall