

LTEA Board Planning Session

Minutes – May 5, 2020 – Pollywogs – 6:00 PM

1. Call to Order – Dr. Bartosh: *Called the meeting to order at 6:33.*
2. Roll Call – Don: *Present – Bartosh, Bennett, Cole, Hines, McQueen, Neff, Peterson, Smoot, and Stipp. Absent - none*
3. FY 20 Budget – John and Rich
 - a. Account Balances: *March 31 -- Checking - \$5,058.00, Savings - \$41,242.24. (handout)*
 - b. FY21 Budget: *Anticipated Income - \$116,750, Anticipated Expenses - \$116,750. (handout)*
 - c. Audit: *Mr. George said he is able to start on audit.*
4. Insurance Coverage on Volunteers – Doc: *Met with Sean Deneau to review coverage. Mr. Deneau recommended all volunteers sign a “Waiver of Liability”; all subcontractors must provide proof of insurance; volunteers must provide personal safety equipment; and providing restroom facilities.*
5. Beavers and Goose Eggs – Bob: *Busy collecting eggs – one goose laid 4 times.*
 - a. Charity Harvest (News Gazette): *Urbana allowing controlled hunting to kill geese at Crystal Lake. Birds will be donated to food shelters. Rich asked if we need to shock and survey ponds. Bob does not think so. Bob says we need to reduce the carp and buy small bass, about \$5 to \$6/fingerling. Bob tried to order fish, but suppliers closed due to Covoid 19.*
6. Mailing 051330 – Don: *Discussed invoice for assessments, ballots, and anticipated mailing date.*
7. Newsletter – Doc: *Thanked the Directors for submitting their articles for the newsletter.*
8. Appoint John Butchko as interim replacement for John Thompson (from April meeting)
 - a. Consent in Writing: *Pat Bennet reported neither he nor Jan James received any volunteers to fill the non-resident Director position. Directors, by Consent in Writing, appointed John Butchko as an interim Director.*
9. Weed Control – George: *Asked for assistance and direction with spraying. Rich and Bob said weeds are growing fast and need to schedule as soon as possible. Vermilion County Health Dept will test our waters. Testing may be delayed due to C-19.*
 - a. Spoonbills – Brian: *No news.*
10. Bridge Report – Brian: *Contacted engineer from Clark Dietz for an update, no response.*
11. Gates – Rich: *Met with Jameson to discuss DVR and cameras. Jameson recommends a new camera and DVR system. Learned we can use “fobs” for our gates. Will purchase a monitor for the gates. Discussed removing gate on Florence. The consensus was to leave the gate in place. Don reported our insurance does not cover damage to the gates. Our agent is sending out RFPs for coverage.*
12. Roads – Sherry: *Thanked those that filled the potholes. Talked with Brian O’Neil and he said “speeding” damages the roads. Brian is also going to review the bus stop area and make necessary corrections/improvements.*
13. Health and Safety – Pat: *Received a radar gun for speed control. A property owner requested using the LTEA aquatic weed cutter.*
 - a. Radar
14. Next Meeting
 - a. Regular Board Meeting – Don: *After reviewing state guidelines, we can not provide a definitive date. We can resume Planning Sessions not to exceed 10 people.*
 - b. Planning Session
 - i. June 10 at Pollywogs
15. Anything Else: *Debbie Fitz did a great job volunteering as the Bus Patrol Person. The Board needs to show its appreciation. Rich was sorry the Rummage Sales were canceled. Don distributed recommendations from Sherry Mascari concerning an upcoming Newsletter and the FY21 Budget. Her input was appreciated.*
16. Adjourn: *Dr, Bartosh adjourned the meeting at 8:48.*