

## Portage Crooked Lake Improvement Association

### Board Meeting Minutes

8/6/2022

#### Attending:

Andy Larson, Kris Picken, Mike Stuber, Tom Kaufhold, Diane Lund, Chuck Lund, Jill Mertes

Via Phone: Scott Maghan, Julie Maghan, Kari Bunkers.

**Meeting called to order** at 9 AM by Vice President Andy Larson

**Review Meeting Minutes of 5/7 meeting** minutes amended to indicate Mike Stuber as being present. Kris Picken motioned to approve amended minutes, Chuck second. Motion carried.

**Review Meeting Minutes of July 26 meeting.** Kris motioned to accept minutes, Mike second. No discussion, motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report** Diane reported that the budget had been updated to include the revised \$20,000 budget item for AIS. Current funds available are \$49,513.19. Motion made by Tom Kaufhold to approve the submitted Treasurer's Reports, second by Kris Picken. No discussion, motion carried.

#### **Committee Reports change to 501 c 3**

Tom discussed proposed changes to By-Laws. Changes are highlighted in the By-Laws Amendment Document. (attached). In addition to the changes on the document, Tom recommended that we change the wording in Article 7, Section 11 to include that board members are expected to attend board meetings. A question was raised as to whether a 501c3 could collect bank interest. Per Tom and Andy, that is acceptable.

The proposed changes to the By-Laws need to go out to the membership by August 10<sup>th</sup>. The membership will vote on these changes at the Sept 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. The current By-Laws do not specify the means of communicating this information to members. We will email rather than use the USPS. If By-Laws changes are approved, we will submit the 501c3 application to the IRS.

Motion to approve the proposed changes to the By-Laws made by Jill Mertes, Second by Keri Bunkers. Motion carried.

The expected cost to apply for the 501c3 is \$600. Scott brought up that this is not currently in the budget. Kris made a motion to add \$800 to the budget under a new line item to cover these costs. Tom second. Motion carried.

Andy to write article about 501c3.

**Fall Dinner** – Scott Maghan – To be held at Rocky Bottom. Members are required to commit 2 weeks in advance due to food supply chain issues. No walks ins will be allowed.

Scott to talk with Kris about setting up the meeting. Tom to address 501c3 at meeting

Andy has begun his search for prizes. Tom suggested that Andy contact him as he may have some suggestions for donors.

### **Nominating Committee**

Nominating Committee is to be the president and two board members. Committee will be Scott, Kris and Chuck.

Executive board serves two-year terms. Directors serve three-year terms.

Five current board member's terms are expiring, Chuck, Jill, Marjorie, Julie and Lynn. (Scott will confirm that this is accurate). Chuck and Julie have indicated that they are interested in re-running. Tom reviewed the By-Laws for clarification as whether a term starts over when a director becomes an Executive Board member. We questioned whether we should amend By-Laws to clarify as the By-Laws can be interpreted different ways.

Scott and Kris will reach out to reach existing board members to determine their interest in remaining on the board. We could have up to 5 board vacancies to fill. Julie, Kris, Andy and Tom all have suggestions of possible PCLIA association members that they think may be willing to serve on the board. Some from Sugar Bay, Hanks and Portage. The Nominating committee will reach out to individuals who may be interested. We will also post on FB and the Web page asking if anyone is interested with the committee listed as a contact point. We could also send out an email. The nominating committee will explain obligations and expectations for prospective board members. Serving on a committee rather than serving on the board is also an option. Jill express interest in serving on a committee in the future.

### **Web Site – Kari Bunkers**

She is making progress, a lot of it is done but it needs to be linked. Kari will get with Doug Picken to try to finish up some of the missing components. We agreed to proceed with the Web Page completion without implementing a payment option within the site. We need to do more research and come up with a total plan for accepting alternate forms of payment.

### **Milfoil - Scott Maghan**

Tim Plude has not been out yet to inspect our lake. He hopes to be out this week. Scott to compile the report when he receives it and send it out. We want to learn more about Bay Lake's AIS approach. We may need to change how we combat invasive species.

### **Boat Landing – Andy**

We're only getting a fraction of the inspection coverage that we ordered. We were allocated 288 hours, we requested 261 but we have received only 36 as of July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Staffing is a problem. We pay by the hour and we trust that we are only being billed for the hours we actually received.

### **Boat Landing - Scott**

Boat Fire – On July 2<sup>nd</sup> there was a fire at the public access and the dock was damaged. It was reported to the DNR and they replaced the dock. The new dock is wider and is floating.

### **Lake Management Plan - Kari**

Kari will work on it this fall. Kris suggested looking at the plan Clearwater Lake has on the web site.

### **Membership - Julie**

We have received payments/registrations from 222 homeowners, 81 have not submitted anything including 21 who had paid last year.

### **Bay Lake Meeting - Tom, Andy**

Scott, Andy, Tom and Diane met with members of the Bay Lake Board on June 27<sup>th</sup>.

Andy reported that Bay Lake has 550 properties and 700 members. They offer non-voting, honorary memberships for kids and even pets. They hold fun runs, music on the lake etc. They charge entry fees and sell merchandise for fundraising. They use an internet tool called Vanco – for funds. We can use them as an inspiration for fund raising ideas.

The Bay Lake Board warned that too many committees can be a problem. It is easy to end up with too many and no way to end them. They use many volunteers, many of their volunteers are not board members. Their treasurer is not on the board.

### **Dam – Kris**

The water dropped about 4 inch in a few days. Kris to call DNR to request that it be checked.

**Motion to adjourn** made by Chuck, Tom 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried.

Submitted by Diane Lund, acting secretary for Joy Larson