

# PEOPLE OF OUR PINE LAKE ASSOCIATION

## Annual Spring Meeting of the Members

Saturday, June 1, 2019

Sportsman's Lodge – 11:00 AM

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 AM by President Shannon Novak. Copies of the agenda, the prior meeting minutes and the treasurer's report were handed out to everyone attending.

Those attending were asked to review the copy of the 09/01/18 meeting minutes. A motion to accept the minutes of the 09/01/18 meeting was made by Michelle Little and seconded by David Thorfinnson...all in favor, motion carried.

The secretary/treasurer, Jeanne Halle, presented the financial statement as of 12/31/18. The balance in the checking account was \$10,746.50 and we currently have a receivable from Clearwater Polk Electric for an error Shannon discovered where they were charging us for more lights than we had. It results in a receivable from Clearwater Polk Electric as of 12/31/18 of 1,125.75. Dues collected in 2018 were 1,580 and our fundraising efforts resulted in a net income of 3,560.02. After making donations to the Gonvick Lions and Gonvick Fire Department of \$500 each and covering the rest of the expenses we ended 2018 with a net income of 1,884.11.

President Novak thanked Jeanne and Kim Novak for their efforts to get the financial records in order.

### **In Old Business we discussed the following:**

**Dump Day** – It seemed to work well having it towards the end of summer last year, so it was decided to schedule it for Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019 with volunteers to meet at the Lodge at 9 AM. Reminder that this clean up is not for household garbage or remodeling debris.

**Dust Control**—We received a quote from Jeff Manz for \$1,600 to do the Calcium Chloride application for dust control on the cabin gravel roads. This would include his application fee and the cost of the product. A motion by Michell Scott and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stacy Reed to accept the bid quote from Jeff Manz...all in favor, motion carried.

**4<sup>th</sup> of July Events** – it was decided to have the land parade at 2 pm on Thursday, July 4, 2019. We will have the same prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> as last year (a total of \$120) and the board members will be the judges.

**Kids Fishing Derby**—this event will be schedule for Saturday, July 27, 2019 with 10 am registration and the tournament going from 11 am to 3 pm. It was decided with the success of the Kids Fishing Derby in the last two years we will schedule it for the last Saturday in July going forward – that way participants can plan on attending from year to year. Dan Williams will donate a Fish Mount for the largest fish caught and Jeanne Halle will donate a kids kayak for prizes. Any cash donations for prizes will gladly be accepted. Renee Hesby brought up that we should consider feeding the kids and parents hot dogs & chips after they come in from fishing, she offered to head up a committee to organize this lunch. Kim Novak will get the date and schedule posted on the website and Facebook for the Kids Fishing Derby.

**Labor Day Meeting & Events**—President Novak suggest that we consider eliminating the Labor Day association meeting for the general membership and replace it with a board meeting, he also suggested that the current board members be in place until next spring meeting and we will have elections. We also discussed the annual Labor Day picnic, and everyone agreed it had probably run its course and could be eliminated. The Lodge has activities with the volleyball tournament, and we will still have games for the kids, if volunteers get them organized, as well as the dance. On a motion by Tim Halle, seconded by Anita Vettleson elimination of the fall meeting of the members (replaced by a board meeting) and elimination of the picnic on Labor Day was proposed....all in favor, motion carried.

**Membership Drive**—Josh Skala and Wendell as well as Renee Hesby and Teresa Schantzen offered to help with the membership drive. They will go door to door and talk to cabin owners and campground renters about the value of becoming a member of POOPLA. Jeanne will have membership forms available for them to do this on June 29, 2019. The dues form will be available on the website as well as noted on Facebook. We asked that everyone encourage your neighbors to join the organization.

**Dues accessed on property tax statements**—Shannon reported that he has spent considerable time talking to Allen Paulson, Clearwater Co Treasurer as well as other lake association boards in the area on how to go about this. Allen Paulson did give him names and addresses of all front and back lot owners. To do this we would have to organize and start a “Lake Improvement District”, separate from our POOPLA. This involves more legal paperwork and possible follow-up issues we may not be ready for. It’s not going to happen soon, but it is not out of the question either. The reality is if we want any “major” lake improvements, like a walking/bike path or something like that we would need to go this route to be able to fund a large improvement. Shannon offered to keep looking into it.

**In New Business we discussed the following:**

**North Access Pad Replacement Update**—It’s done, it’s great AND there was no cost to the property owners. Shannon worked hard to get this project done and we all thanked him for his efforts.

**Compost Site**—Shannon reported that we have all the approval to establish a compost site BUT we need to find a location. The location he initially got approval on won’t work, the neighbor was very upset, and we don’t want to cause any issues. He will continue to look for a location that will work. Shannon handed out forms from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources which are a General Permit to use the compost site, once we have a location any property owner using the site to dump lake compost will need to have one of these permits filled out and carry it with them while transporting compost. Jeanne will make extra copies and have on hand.

**Annual Donations**—On a motion from Renee Hesby and seconded by Stacy Reed we will donate \$500 each to the Gonvick Fire Department and the Gonvick Lions Club to support their organization and to show our appreciation of the help they give us at Pine Lake.

**Month of Money Fundraiser**—Dave Schantzen will head up getting the tickets printed and the board will work to get tickets out to association members to sell for our October Month of Money Fundraiser.

**Clothing Reminder**—Jeanne stated that any Pine Lake clothing can be ordered at Hickory Backroads in Gonvick. She is not always open, but you can message her through Facebook, and she will arrange to meet you at her store. She has lots of designs and clothing options.

**In the Open Forum we discussed the following:**

Shannon stated if anyone is interested in the fish reports for Pine Lake, go to [lakefinder.com](http://lakefinder.com) and you can see all the latest reports.

Stacy Reed brought up the need for signage for where the Storm Shelter is in Gonvick should it be necessary to evacuate the campground &/or the cabins and homes on Pine Lake. We also discussed that during last summer's tornado we did get the emergency call on home phones and cell phones BUT not everyone got it—we encouraged that everyone checks into getting registered for the emergency notifications.

Stacy is also looking into highway signage to be made showing PINE LAKE on green highway signs like the ones that identify when you are at the City Limits of most towns in Minnesota.

Renee Hesby brought up getting a petition to send to the DNR on the lake level issues. Shannon reported the current project is well underway but running into some obstacles that take time to be resolved. He does not feel there is any need for a petition, it is just a long, drawn out project.

On a motion from Terry Vonasek and seconded by Renee Hesby the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jeanne L Halle, Secretary/Treasurer