

Spirit Lake Property Owners Association
Board Meeting Notes
August 28, 2021

The board met at the Sturm's beginning at 11 AM. Thank you to Paul and Nadine for sharing their lovely home plus the chips, salsa & homemade guacamole, Leslie provided a wonderful spread of meats & cheeses. Thanks to Carol Capra for the grapes and Linda for the deviled eggs.

Attending: Karen Cowen, Paul Sturm, Jerry Peterson, Sid Wurzburg, Mallene Herzog, Doug Freeland, Linda Pendleton and Brad Pendleton. Plus advisory board member Carol Capra.

Guests: Nadine Sturm & Carrie Damm from Silver Beach

Minutes were distributed via email, accepted and voted on favorably.

Jerry gave a Treasurers report:

General Fund	\$ 43,404.92
Dam Fund	\$ 68,164.98
Total Assets	\$ 111,569.90

Treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

Newsletter:

Goal was to do a newsletter four times a year.

1. October - Right after the annual meeting especially for members that were unable to attend & follow up on board actions.
2. December –For fundraising as December 3rd is giving day; last year we received \$6,000. Also serves as a reminder to pay for the calendar year.
3. April – For general information.
4. July regarding upcoming annual meeting, summer news, etc.

EACH NEWSLETTER WE NEED TO REMIND MEMBERS FOR THEIR EMAIL ADDRESSES.

There was discussion regarding going to emails only and having a link on the website for distributing the newsletter as well as gathering emails. Jerry suggested that members have us as a contact so notices don't go into their spam.

Doug Freeland introduced Carrie Damm, manager for Silver Beach. Silver Beach has new owners Steven & Trina Ford and Max & Yonna Shiva. The original plan was to move all the seasonal trailers across the road and make a parklike community with green space, etc. Then to fill in the existing trailer area and build possibly 10 homes or condos. We discussed the matter of possibly doing an electronic petition in

opposition to the project due to safety issues crossing the roadway. Increasing traffic on an already busy part of the lake road is dangerous. Bottom line, we need to get out communication to members regarding the impact on the lake: Environmentally – Safety issues - etc.

Blue Green Algae Bloom: Much worse than first thought, Panhandle Health was out but only along the shore. They will be out next week in a boat for testing water samples. People and pets should not be in the water, shouldn't ingest and/or bath as it is toxic and cause rashes.

Motion: We should offer to finance for the water samples up to \$1,000 including mid-lake level draws.

Made by Jerry Peterson, Karen Cowan seconded, motion passed unanimously. Jerry offered to help with deep water samples.

Snails – huge problem. Way more snails than originally thought, reproduce rapidly. No firm decision was made regarding this situation.

Board of Directors:

1. Nominations by membership at the annual meeting. Felt this needs to be changed in that we need to have a better idea of what a nominee feels they can bring to the group and their willingness to be actively involved.
2. Board can appoint interested persons for a one year term. We should search out those that want to be on the board and willing to fill specific positions.

Process:

1. Member of the board of directors presents an interested persons info to the board.
2. Then meet that individual either in person or via zoom.
 - a. Why you want to serve on the board.
 - b. Tell us about yourself and the connection with Spirit Lake.
 - c. What do you have to offer to the board.
3. After candidate leaves or at the next meeting a discussion by the board regarding the nominee then call for the question and vote for the appointment.

Jerry Peterson made the motion that we proceed with this type of process to gain board members.

Karen Cowan seconded, motion passed with one abstaining.

Names of nominees presented at this meeting:

1. Don Finney – his family has been on Spirit Lake since 1939. Raised in Spokane Valley, works for King County as a fish biologist. Lives and works in the Seattle area but will be retiring in a

couple of years, spends at least a month in the summer on the lake. Jerry called for a vote, voted on favorably and Sid will contact Don.

2. Mo McBroom – Graduate of University of Chicago Law School but not currently practicing law. Works as a Deputy Director in Natural Resources in the Seattle area. Sid will contact her to see if she wants to be on the board or would consider being in an advisory position. Invite her to the next board meeting either in person or via zoom.
3. Darrell Rickard – From Rathdrum and has worked 20 years on the Transportation Department for Lakeland School District, served on the Rathdrum City Council, EMT for Rathdrum fire. Interesting but not a paid member of SLPOA. We will invite him to attend the next board meeting.
4. Tony Brawner – 40 years old and a nephew of Jimmy Brown. Dan Sullivan gave Karen Cowan his name and information. Works in construction. Karen Cowan will invite him to the next board meeting.

Positions for Board of Directors:

President – Karen Cowan

Vice-President – Paul Sturm

Secretary-Treasurer: Linda Pendleton & Jerry Peterson will work together.

Motion made to accept slate as presented, seconded and passed.

Linda will check with the bank regarding removing and changing names as signatures on the account.

Chris Hardy has a planned planting for Brickle Creek and needs volunteers. Fish & Game are financing the project. Jerry Peterson & Paul Sturm volunteered and we will see about getting more from our group and/or the community to help with this project.

We were made aware of a \$10,000.00 offer for matching funds by a Spirit Lake owner, we need to make a plan and campaign asap.

Next meeting at Focus Fitness in Spokane Valley Tuesday September 7th at 4PM

Meeting adjourned.