Pleasant Lake Association Board Meeting Minutes - September 13, 2014

Present: Chair Sedey, Treasurer Harkman, Secretary Peterson, Director Boie

Not present: Vice Chair Hogberg, Director Miller, Mader

Treasurers Report: Present balance \$7,596.20. Donations received this year \$8,500. Dues \$5,000 Motion to purchase software not to exceed \$250, by Peterson & 2nd by Boie passed. Rainy Day fund set-up for major future expenses. Motion to set aside \$2,000 yearly, by Peterson & 2nd by Boie, passed. Burkhardt & Burkhardt to be contacted for allowable spending under our new status as a 501c3 charitable organization.

Membership: Total of 88

Donations: We received a \$5,000 anonymous donation. Part of this will be used to set up our new Reserve Account for catastrophic future events.

Open Board Position: Director Boie has visited with 2 interested parties and will now invite them to the next Board meeting.

Website: Updates will be sent to Maggie. Any picture from the past summer should be forwarded. The topic of Social Media including Facebook was discussed and many advantages can be seen. Further discussion at the next board meeting looking at a committee to address this form of communication, one person cannot be asked to run our social media. Facebook may be a very effective tool for our lake.

Newsletter: Next edition should be out this Fall. The newsletter is a very successful communication tool. It contains numerous articles from family reunions to MN Pollution Control alerts. The current staff of Miller, Nielson, & Warner work very hard on the content and layout and the printing is done by Haugland at no cost to us. That being said people want more additions. This will warrant further discussion.

Weed Program: We have become aware of additional companies providing weed treatment programs. We will ask for bids for the upcoming year for our 10 acre milfoil & curly leaf pondweed area. An increased weed population has been observed by some homeowners and we will ask the Clearwater River Watershed Dist Rep. Dennis Loan to give us his expert opinion as to why this appears to be happening. We will also be talking with area lake associations and learning how they address weed growth.

Zebra Mussels: Jill Bishop is conducting a university study and has shared with Chair Sedey that, so far so good.

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Boat Parade: Penny and Dave Hogberg have chaired the parade for the past few years & would like to pass the torch. We will ask them to give a brief job description at the next meeting. This will help when asking for new volunteers.

Picnic: Roaring success. Discussion as to the objective, purpose, and cost of this annual event. Board will discuss the future of the picnic and possible changes to assure maximum bang for our buck. Job description could be helpful.

Fundraisers: Discussed ways to prepare for future unforeseen costs.

New to the Lake: Director Boie will be delivering a welcome basket to the Lampi's.

Blighted property: The vacant property on the north side of the lake appears to be deteriorating at an increased rate. Work was begun 2 years ago and it looked promising however it has once again fallen into disarray. In the past we have visited with the township and county and learned that any action on our part could be very expensive. We will ask the owner to address the needs of the property and offer help if manpower is needed. If help is welcome we will ask for volunteers.

Board Mt. Next board meeting is set for November 22, 9 am. Sedey home.