



Lake Jennie Improvement Association

Minutes

Friday, September 25, 2015

At Mike Kotila's

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike Kotila, President	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dick Nesvold	<input type="checkbox"/> Doug Renkes
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Randy Newman, Vice Pres	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Randy Nass	<input type="checkbox"/> Mark Theis
<input type="checkbox"/> Laura Osborne, Treas	<input type="checkbox"/> Peg Truax, Sect	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mitch Fabel

☒ Dan Lundin, alt (x = present; a = absent) Quorum present

Meeting was called to order at 6:45 pm

Approved 8/1/15 and 8/29/15 meeting minutes

Approved Treasurers Report; Ending balance \$9,364.15 as of September 23. Call to action letter generated \$1750 in donations; Membership total is now at 55 of 104 properties around the lake. Mike will ask Mark to send out a current paid members list to all so that we can continue to recruit non-members. A current members list should be available at every meeting.

MCAL grant applications are due on October 31. Permanent water quality projects with a maximum grant of \$5K and 1:1 match (\$10K project). AIS grants up to \$10K can also be applied for with a 1:1 match, half of which can be in-kind services. Board generally agreed that a permanent water quality project would take priority over curly-leaf treatments, however if moving forward with both were possible, that would be preferred.

Discussed a potential water quality project on west end on lake. We've had a positive response from Dave Prieve on potential terracing, tiling and intake improvements project. Joe Norman at Meeker County SWCD advises that he has funding sources that would cover 75% of that type of project. Greater benefit could be achieved if a retention pond were constructed on the McCormick CRP property. CRP is not eligible for funding sources Joe can bring to the table but MCAL or LJIA dollars could be used. Randy Nass and/or Mike will reach out to John McCormick. Randy Nass advised that other water quality projects may be viable including a buffer strip on Bonniwell field. Mike/Randy Nass will pull together grant application materials for review at next meeting and submittal to MCAL by Oct 31th.

Discussed AIS projects – curly leaf pondweed treatment. DNR grant program has been cut back but applications can still be submitted 1st come 1st serve until funds are gone. Mitch will check to see if his applicators license is good for water treatments. We could get more effective use of our funding if we could apply the chemical ourselves.

The timing of submittal of 501c3 IRS reporting requirements were questioned. This will be explored. A calendar of deadlines should be prepared to have available at every meeting.

Website update – no report

Other grant opportunities - Randy Newman will explore Walmart grant program to see if lake improvement projects will qualify.

Next meeting Friday October 23, 2015; 6:30 pm at Kotilas