

GLSA Board Meeting  
Saturday, October 14 , 2023  
Southside Township Hall

President Randy Wilson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Board Members Present:

Randy Wilson (I)  
Steve Hoiem (II)  
Lisa Peery (III)  
Blaine Barkley (II)  
Russ Fortner (I)  
~~Jerry Euteneuer (II)~~  
Jim Gray (III)  
Mike McNellis (III)  
Mark Struble (II)  
Renee Wyffels (III)  
Claire Dempsey (II)  
~~Jan Evenson (III)~~  
~~Rhonda Brau (I)~~  
~~Jeff Simon (I)~~  
Sarah Stephens (I)

Other GLSA Members Present:

Peggy Jo Fortner  
Vicki Hoiem  
John and Bonnie Poterucha

Secretary's Report:

Lisa P made a motion to accept the minutes of the September report. Seconded by Mark S; motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Steve H noted that we have 356 paid members in the association year-to-date. Notices will be sent to lake residents who have not paid their 2023 dues. There are still some outstanding bills related to the temporary landing at Chi Rho Center. At the present time, we've spent about \$12,000 on this project. In general, we have spent more this year on costs related to boat inspections than we have in the past. Lisa P made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Seconded by Claire D; motion carried.

Committee Reports:

1. Fireworks for 2024: The date is tentatively set for July 5, 2024. There was discussion related to insurance coverage. We have insurance through the fireworks provider, but we feel that this issue needs further follow-up. The cost for the show will be a bit higher

next year. Steve H made a motion to contract for a \$9000 show. Seconded by Claire D; motion carried.

2. Picnic: The caterer we hired this summer is not available on August 10th. We will consider setting the date for August 3rd.

(Email Communication from Vicki H on 10/17: got a verbal confirmation from the church office that Saturday, August 3 is available for our picnic at Chi Rho. Also have B & P catering penciled in. If that date works for DJ & ice cream truck, bouncy house, we will send in a deposit.)

3. The date for the 2024 Golf Tournament has not been set yet.

#### Old Business:

1. The temporary landing at Chi Rho Center seems to be working well. It must be closed no later than November 1st, but we have until 11/15 to remove the concrete panels in the lake. There was discussion related to selling the panels and the price to charge, but no final decision was made. We will leave 2 panels on the shore in order to deter erosion. Blaine B noted that the DNR will come back out to inspect the landing area after we close it.
2. We continue to monitor building/development projects on and near Lake Sylvia. Our goal is to ensure that the projects fit the properties—not the other way around. We would like the Wright County Planning and Zoning Committee to be more proactive in working with the DNR as they consider proposals for development, especially along lake shores. Claire D made a motion to allocate \$5000 to be used toward the cost of attorney representation and legal advice related to these issues. Seconded by Lisa P; motion carried.

#### New Business:

1. Rental Properties on Lake Sylvia: Joe Lepley put together information related to concerns of renting homes on Lake Sylvia. There was discussion about who should receive this information. It was decided that copies of this information/letter will be included in the next Loon Calls newsletter, in our 2024 Directory, and in the 2024 Dues Letter next spring. Sarah S stated that she was willing to work on this piece of communication. Lisa P will contact Joe Lepley to follow up on his letter; Blaine B and Jim G will follow up with Tim K, our attorney.
2. Blaine B has been in contact with Steve McComas and an engineer regarding the improvement of the waterway leading from Lake John to Lake Sylvia. According to the literature search conducted, every lake downstream of a lake infected with starry stonewort is in danger of infestation. At this time, we don't have a plan or a solution to change the water pathway between these two lakes.
3. Sarah S will continue to work on future communications and website design. Even though she is moving off of the lake, she will remain on the board and serve out her term until the next election cycle in the spring of 2024. Sarah shared some of the lake's historical information that her family has saved. We will upload some of it to the GLSA website.
4. It was agreed that the GLSA board will meet again on November 11th.

5. Winter Social Activity: There was discussion about a venue and a date for an informal get-together.  
(Email Communication from Vicki H on 10/17: Southbrook is not available Dec. 2 (Saturday), next available Saturday was Dec. 16 - I think that is too close to Christmas for people who celebrate multiple weekends. The lower level is available Friday, Dec. 1 if we want to reserve that. Rental is \$150 if we want to do a potluck, or \$100 if we order food from them. Both include a cash bar.)
6. News of the recognition award given to Russ Fortner will be shared on the GLSA website, in the Advocate, and on our Facebook pages.
7. The donation to Chi Rho Center for the use of their lake access will be sent.

Respectfully submitted,  
Renee Wyffels  
GLSA Secretary