

**EMILY LAKES AND RIVER ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
May 21, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Board President, Mark Drewitz at 7:02 pm via video conference call.

Board members present – Mark Drewitz, Russ Boverhuis, Randy Manlick, Deb Hansen, Jason Herfel, Jean McLeod, Mike Peck

Board members absent – None

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Secretary's Report from the April 23, 2020 board meeting was distributed via email prior to the start of the meeting. There were no changes to the minutes. Deb made a motion to accept the report. Jean seconded the motion. Motion was carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Randy verbally shared the Treasurer's Report with the board members. He gave a summary of the checking account activity. He noted there was no activity in the savings account since the last board meeting. The board briefly discussed the status of the funds in the various accounts. Jason made a motion to accept the report. Deb seconded the motion. Motion was carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

2020 Membership Drive: The paid membership count is currently at 91. This is about where we were last year in mid-May.

Deb said she has the second membership mailing ready to be mailed. She is waiting for the Post Office to deliver the stamps to her. Then the envelopes can go to the Post Office. Deb recommended that we do not insert the return envelope in the second mailing going forward.

Fish Stocking: Mark reported that our supplier for fingerlings could supply us with fish this year. This is our normal year to do fish stocking. Given the uncertainties the board discussed the pros and cons of deferring for the fish stocking for one year. There was no motion to deviate from the normal stocking schedule, so the matter was dropped.

City of Emily Waters Committee: Deb reported that a letter will be coming from the Waters Committee stating our request for funds was approved. ELRA will be receiving about \$4,733 for AIS activities. Available funds were split equally among the three lake associations. Any AIS expenses we incur and want reimbursed must be billed directly to the city for payment.

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EWM Progress Report: Mark reported that nothing has been done on this yet. He expects he will hear from PLM in the next few weeks regarding the survey.

Randy also mentioned that he completed the online video training so he can do the water sampling. He is scheduled to do the water sampling with Jim this coming Sunday.

Annual Meeting: The board discussed options for holding the Annual Meeting. Options were canceling the meeting, postponing the meeting, holding an in-person meeting as done in the past, holding an in-person meeting outside with social distancing or a virtual meeting via tele-conference. Mark stated that the by-laws required an annual meeting thus eliminating the canceling and postponing options. Responses from the members to the options presented in the last newsletter varied, but the preference was towards video conferencing. The board was also concerned about exposing our members to the virus and not being able to predict the status of the virus in August.

After a lengthy discussion, the consensus was we should hold a virtual meeting. Deb made to motion that our Annual Meeting be a virtual meeting using teleconferencing technology. Mike seconded the motion. Motion was carried.

We deferred until the next board meeting the question about how to do the voting. This issue needs some thought.

OTHER BUSINESS

Next Newsletter: Mark reminded the board members that the next newsletter will be sent out in July. Everyone is asked to think of topics for the newsletter.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Deb made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jason seconded the motion. Motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Russell Boverhuis