

LAKE ELBO CLUB, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
January 2, 2024

The regular meeting of the Lake Elbo Board was held Tuesday, January 2, 2024 in the Clubhouse. The meeting was called to order by chairman, Dave.

In Attendance:

Dave Spunaugle, President

Randy Laue, Vice President

Lori Moses, Secretary

Jim Lund

RJ Whitlock

Karen VanVleet

Not in Attendance:

Mark Yeardeley and Brent McKeeman

Minutes of the December 2023 meeting, prepared by Jim, were read by Lori. Brent made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Seconded by RJ. Motioned carried 5/0.

Brent read the Treasurer's report. Karen made a motion to file the report for audit. Seconded by RJ.

Dave welcomed guests.

Guests in Attendance: Russ Briggs, Dean VanVleet, Ashley Lour, Doug VonFeldt, Cory and Julie Gilmore, Ryan Gordon, Chad and Anna Hoepner, Harold Brooks, and Cathy Lund.

OLD BUSINESS:

Doug VonFeldt talked about areas on the road around the sediment pond that are bad. He volunteered his time to take dirt from the dirt pile to fill in holes/washouts. The board gave him permission to fill in the deeper ruts. He also brought up the area going up toward Brett and Zoe Rohr's house. He is concerned about someone accidentally driving off the road and the danger in this. He suggested possibly putting up some posts and piling rock to help avoid an accident. The board agreed and told him that this could be added as a work day project.

WTC Update: No current update. Dave may ask for a percentage of completion and get more detail before the annual meeting.

Equipment Update: Dean VanVleet reported that everything is working fine.

NEW BUSINESS:

Annual Meeting: This has been set for Sunday, January 14, 2024.

Lake Elbo Club Newsletter: Jen Pishny is retiring from this job – thank you Jen. Reese Grigsby will be taking over this task, with the assistance of Lori Moses and Dave Spunaugle.

Upper Road Maintenance: Randy reached out to Kelly Briggs for a proposal for maintenance/work on the upper road. They are willing to do the work. This will include using a road grater/skid loader to build a crown and the cutting of ditches to allow for better drainage. Dave asked for a motion of \$6,000

for the budget for this project. RJ motioned that we hire Bayer Construction for this project with a \$6,000 budget. Jim seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Property Tax Review: Dave read over a draft letter to PT County prepared by Tom Hood. Discussion occurred and suggestions were made to contact someone more knowledgeable in this field (i.e. attorney). If we move forward to present this to the county, Dave suggested having a petition available at the annual meeting for members to sign if they choose to do so.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Clubhouse Shelter House Update: D&R Construction presented a bid of \$76,000 that includes arch trusses like the ones in the existing clubhouse. If standard trusses are used, the bid is \$51,560. This includes the concrete work, cedar fascia, shingle roof, but no electrical nor stone work. Dave hasn't heard back from Riley Construction.

- We have collected \$6,700 so far from fundraising events. Raffle tickets for a free one-year dues has a possibility of up to a \$2,400 profit.
- Personalized bricks – This will have a kickoff at the annual meeting. The cost will be \$100/brick for individual people with strictly words up to 3 lines - no art work. Brent feels that we can fit about 600 bricks.
- Additional Fundraising Activities: Spaghetti Feed in February – Jen and Jeff Pishny; Spring Turkey Shoot with BBQ meats.

Doug VonFeldt inquired about a pictorial directory to include pictures of all Lake Elbo members. Dave mentioned the biggest shortfall was volunteers to do it and get it put together.

Russ Briggs discussed the bare areas on the East side where Bluestem Electric Company has been trimming limbs/saplings along the road. Some type of ground cover/grass was discussed to be planted on the hillside on the East side of the road going toward Gene and Dee Tebbutt's residence. Discussion pursued about planting crown vetch but also how invasive it was and then what would be the plan to get rid of it.

Russ also brought up the idea of building a ditch around the drain on the South side of road across from Brian and Gwen Baker's residence. The board agreed that something needed to be done but no final plan was put in place at this time.

Russ inquired about the process, and what all is needed, in order to build a boat dock. The board responded that a set of plans need to be drawn up and presented at a board meeting for approval.

Dave brought up natural fishing ledges for discussion. These would be rock/limestone flats at the bottom of the dam at water level. Randy volunteered to work with Kelly Briggs in obtaining the rock. Someone from the board will visit with Mark Yeardeley to get the appropriate equipment to get this completed. This project will be discussed in more detail at a later meeting.

Randy made a motion to adjourn. Jim seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.

The next meeting will be the Annual Meeting on Sunday, January 14, 2024, at 1:00 PM.