

Silver Lake Improvement Association (SLIA)

To enhance the water quality, recreational use and natural beauty of Silver Lake

MEETING MINUTES – June 5, 2017

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1.	Attendance	Rick Gelbmann, Mark Kotz, John Mueller, Lincoln Fetcher, Paul Anderson, Joyce Germscheid, Kristen Rieser
2.	Approve Agenda	Approved
3.	Approve Minutes from last meeting	Approved
	Electronic Actions taken	None
4.	Reports:	
a.	President/Rick Gelbmann	None
b.	Vice President/Paul Anderson	None
c.	Secretary/Kristen Rieser	None
d.	Treasurer / Joyce Germscheid	Balance: \$2553.81 Represents payment of \$2065 to Lake Improvement Consulting.
e.	Membership/ Joyce Germscheid	2017 paid memberships amount to \$825. We have 7 members who are non-lakeshore residents. We sincerely appreciate their support.
f.	Liaison Updates:	
	City of NSP/Paul Anderson	Joyce volunteered at the NSP plant sale and was able to plug the SLIA with the City personnel. We will continue to press this. They mentioned again about setting up a Go Fund Me page.
	City of Maplewood/	Joyce started a PowerPoint to present to the City of Maplewood. Will continue to work on it.
	City of Oakdale/	No report. Rick is going to follow up on a program with Ramsey Cty about clean up options that could possibly target this area.
	Valley Branch Watershed District/John Muller	Lincoln shared some thoughts regarding options for reducing flow out of the lake for those experiencing water damage to their homes. Upstream affects downstream so consideration must be given to the actions we take. They are currently working with some of the downstream lakes and will look at mitigation options for Silver Lake. Lots of challenges with the various entities involved. Working with the cities is vital; having them work with residents to install rain gardens would be beneficial. VBWD participates in the cost of such, whether it is a private residence or municipality. Also shared the bio-retention pond will be re-done, but no timeframe as of yet. Lincoln encourage the SLIA to come to the meetings to request funds for center lake treatment. Olsen/Demontraville had some treatments utilizing different concentrations that sounded effective. Lincoln will follow up with John.
	MN DNR/Jason Ziemer	No report.

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	Ramsey County/	No report.
5.	Public Forum	No report.
6.	Business Items:	
a	Treatment Update	<p>Curly leaf treatment completed. If we want to treat for EWM for 2.7 acres on the south end of the lake, it will cost \$2110. If it is done the same time as the shoreline treatment, it would cost \$1850. Joyce made a motion to select the DMA4/Aqua K for the Shoreline treatment and EWM treatment for center lake. Kristen seconded. All ayes. Minimum cost is \$125 per shoreline treatment. Funds for the EWM will come from our general funds which will bring our balance to under \$1000.</p> <p>Lake Improvement is looking for a volunteer to help post the signs as they know the homeowners. Seeking someone on Thursday or Friday this week.</p>
b	Lake cleanup	Cleanup day was a great success – lots of participation. NSP track team did a great job lifting leaves out of the lake. Our thanks again to Sherry Long for coordinating these efforts.
c	High Water No Wake Status	Reached the no wake water level limit today. With the hot days, we should be below the no wake limit by Tuesday, June 6. We encourage boatowners to be respectful of the distance to the shore when operating their boats.
d	Fenced off Natural Area Management (by playground)	Another team worked to clean out this area by the park. The organizer mentioned there could be a \$500 grant to obtain additional plants, but need to find someone to take ownership for about a 5-year time frame. Rick found a homeowner, Kathy, to take the lead on this, and 3 other neighbors offered assistance. Rick will work with her to conduct training regarding what are good plants and what are invasive. Hoping for a Fall planting season.
e	Ramsey County/Invasive Species Task Force Meeting	Rick attended the meeting where Ramsey County lake associations were invited. Rick was hoping RC could help lake associations become more effective by coordinating the efforts of each association.
f.	Silver Lake Splash	Date is set for Sunday, July 16, 1-5 p.m.
8.	Next Meeting	Aug. 7
9.	Adjourn	Meeting adjourned 8:30 p.m.