

## Silver Lake Improvement Association (SLIA)

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

**MEETING MINUTES – June 9, 2020**

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<b>1.</b>	<b>Attendance via Zoom</b>	Rick Gelbmann, Joyce Germscheid, Paul Nichol, Kristen Rieser, Cheryl Ettlinger, John Mueller
<b>2.</b>	<b>Approve Agenda</b>	Rick made a motion to approve Agenda. Joyce seconded. All ayes.
<b>3.</b>	<b>Approve Minutes from last meeting</b>	Joyce made a motion to approve minutes. Rick seconded. All ayes.
	<b>Electronic Actions taken</b>	Joyce made a motion to approve LIC to perform the offshore treatment for CLP and EWM per their quote dated 5-28-20. Rick seconded. Motion passed.
<b>4.</b>	<b>Reports</b>	
<b>a.</b>	<b>President/Paul Nichol</b>	Paul reiterated that he sent out an email on Monday notifying that the no-wake was lifted. John confirmed the sign was taken down and will take future action as notices are sent out.
<b>b.</b>	<b>Vice President/Joyce Germscheid</b>	Received additional members, bringing the total to 23 lakeshore owners and 10 non-lake members. Many members paid more than the \$25 set dues – thank you!
<b>c.</b>	<b>Secretary/Kristen Rieser</b>	No dues/payments received in May via PayPal. Kristen to transfer PayPal account to Cheryl.
<b>d.</b>	<b>Treasurer / Cheryl Ettlinger</b>	Balance \$6,504.03. Bank accounts have not yet transferred due to COVID19 restrictions.
<b>e.</b>	<b>Liaison Updates:</b>	
	<b>City of NSP/Joyce &amp; Rick</b>	Joyce will follow up with Mayor Furlong regarding information on the dredging that was done at Casey Lake to determine if there are any opportunities for this to be done at Silver Lake. Rick will inquire with VBWD regarding this same topic.
	<b>City of Maplewood/Paul</b>	No report
	<b>City of Oakdale/Open</b>	No report. The group discussed options to recruit a liaison from Oakdale to volunteer.
	<b>Valley Branch Watershed District/John &amp; Rick</b>	VBWD was planning to set up a follow up meeting to the one held at Casey Lake last year. Due to COVID, VBWD will be discussing holding a virtual outreach as a follow to that meeting. This topic will be discussed at the June 11 VBWD meeting.
	<b>MN DNR/Joyce</b>	Joyce will follow up with the DNR regarding the process for collecting the grant money. Again, a huge thanks to Joyce for pursuing and securing these grant monies on our behalf.

	<b>Ramsey County AIS Task Force/Rick</b>	Ramsey County will once again fund inspections at the boat launch 3x this summer, as well as the 4 <sup>th</sup> of July. This is considered more of an educational tool to make watercraft operators aware of potential material that may be transferred into or out of our lakes.
5.	<b>Public Forum</b>	None
6.	<b>Business Items:</b>	
a	<b>2020 Lake Treatment Update</b>	<p>Ramsey County completed the Point Intercept Survey at the end of April. They found some cases of EWM and Curly Leaf, but not much. They returned around Memorial Day weekend and found more EWM. Based on that data, we were allowed to treat 5 areas of the lake for a total of 6.52 acres at a cost of \$3090. The DNR grant will cover \$1200, NSP has committed to half of the remaining balance (#945) and SLIA will be responsible for the remaining \$945.</p> <p>Treatment was conducted May 29. Additionally, 14 shoreline owners received treatment. The Lily Pad treatment appears to be more effective that last year as LIC used a slightly different mixture. An email will be sent regarding a second treatment option. Any questions or feedback regarding treatment should be directed to Joyce Germscheid.</p> <p>The City of NSP inquired about 2020 treatment. Kristen will follow up and put them in contact with LIC and confirm we have up to date contact information for the City as we approach treatments.</p>
b.	<b>Silver Lake Park Cleanup Recap</b>	<p>We once again thank Mark and Sherry Long for their help in executing the clean up under these unusual circumstances. We are hoping the habits of picking up trash during walks will become more prevalent moving forward. We may consider adding a second week (Fall Clean-up) for cleanup and will discuss this at our next meeting.</p> <p>Paul commented that the area along Century has a great deal of debris and will reach out to Oakdale regarding options for addressing (e.g. adopt a highway, volunteer group project, etc.).</p>
c.	<b>Water Level issues</b>	<p>The no-wake was lifted. We will continue to monitor lake levels and send notifications, as necessary.</p> <p>A resident inquired if Jet Skis fall under the no-wake guidelines. The goal of the Voluntary No Wake is to minimize erosion to the shoreline. Therefore, SLIA recommends that everyone operates in a manner that will not result in erosion to the shoreline.</p>
d.	<b>SLIA Position Descriptions</b>	Kristen to send current list to the Board Members to complete. Once done, the intent is to post these on the web site for recruiting purposes.
7.	<b>Next Meeting</b>	August 3, 2020
8.	<b>Adjourn</b>	7:32 p.m.