Silver Lake Improvement Association (SLIA)

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

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 13 @ 6:30PM
Location: Gould's House

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1. Attendance		In attendance: Amber White, Galen & Jess Gould, Paul Swan, Rick Gelbmann, Kim & Jim Schwankl, Cheryl Ettlinger
2. Approve Agenda		Approved; Kim moved, Galen seconds.
3. Approve Minutes from Annual Meeting, held June 9		Approved; Galen moved, Kim seconds.
4. Reports		
a) President: Amber White		1. Sept 18 - Full day gathering for East Metro Lake Assoc. a. Recapped agenda topics (AIS, $ for boat inspections decrease by 50% and 0% in 2028– the funding for AIS detection and prevention has been eliminated. Recommendation to contact MN State representatives to advocate for funding coverage) b. Funding grants for MN DNR will still exist. LCCMR Spring 2027 grant opportunities are being created (two groups < $50K or >$50)

		c. Wakeboarding: Silver Lake is too small to meet the criteria for approved wakeboarding. Sign available via MLR but no-wakeboard lakes have historically not made signs. d. DNR campaigning for awareness of the movement of rafts, docks, and other lake items. When buying secondhand lake wares, ensure they are dried for min. 21 days. e. New members & Fundraisers- Connect with a realtor and send out info monthly/quarterly, other perks. Give to the Max fundraiser, etc. f. Shoreline Awards: Como Park & Wildwood Park in Matomedhi. Amber has info re: lakeshore designer if consultation on native plants is desired. 2. Amber applied for $2,000 (20% of treatment) for Maplewood lottery funds.
b) VP/Membership: Galen Gould		
c) Secretary: Jess Gould		Need to format letter re: channel dredging ($650) and connect with property owners in that area of the lake.

d) Treasurer: Cheryl Ettlinger (via text)		Lehmer parade $392.05; $14,931.02 total balance
e) Liaison Updates:		
i) City of NSP - Leigh Anderson		No updates (not present)
ii) City of Maplewood - Galen Gould		No updates
iii) City of Oakdale - Anne McComb		No updates (not present)
iv) Valley Branch - Rick Gelbmann		The presentation by Oakdale Public Works chloride reduction program was very impressive and informative.
v) MN DNR - Amber White		Need to follow up with April Rondo re: offshore treatment grants and other DNR related questions.
5. Public Forum		Ice in/Ice Out contest discussion
6. Business Items		
a) Update from Long Term Treatment Planning Subcommittee		Met on Sept. 15. Discussed historical treatment of the lake. SLIA team would like to bypass spot treatments to see how things develop; focus on whole lake treatments on a 3-5 year rotation. Recommending an early assessment of plant presence & re-check the depths. Pursuing additional funding via line items for municipalities + pull-tab money + LCCM grant opportunities. Next meeting Nov 10 @ Gould's house.
b) Fall Round-Up Parade recap		Big thanks to the Lehmers for their management of the parade! We

		ran out of candy before the route ended, but distributed Mac's flyers to adults & had lots of fun.
c) Fall Cleanup Planning		Will follow up with Leigh re: date/time/volunteer needs
d) Mac's Event: October 19th		
7. Next Meeting:		Thursday Dec 3 or 10? Looking at options for party location.
8. Adjourn:		Meeting adjourned at 7:28 PM