

The Silver Lake Improvement Association

NORTH ST. PAUL

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Meeting Minutes

June 14, 2011

The Silver Lake Improvement Association's (SLIA) meeting was held at the home of Mike and Cathy Manthei. SLIA hereby expresses its appreciation for the use of their home for its meeting.

In Attendance:

Mary Anderson
Anne McComb
Jeff Swan

Paul Anderson
Mike Manthei
Paul Swan

Lincoln Fetcher
Tim Rieser

David Liukonen
Kristen Rieser

Old and New Business:

- The minutes from SLIA's annual meeting of 5-12-11 were approved with the following corrections:
 - Lincoln also noted the importance of filtering water runoff into Silver Lake and that Dorothy Park would be an ideal site for a retention pond and that SLIA should work with the city of North St. Paul to convert the swale near Bob Bruton's house into a catch basin.
 - Lincoln also noted that there is cost share money available from Valley Branch Watershed District for rain gardens and shoreline restoration projects. And, VBWD currently has 5 such projects in various stages of approval.
- Election of SLIA officers was postponed until the next meeting (Tuesday, 7-12-11) because Tom Germscheid and Jon Ruppel were not in attendance and according to the bylaws (section 3.11) "A director shall not appoint a proxy for himself or herself or vote by proxy at a meeting of the Board of Directors."
- Mary noted that the General and Weed Fund balances were currently \$5604.65 and \$4651.51
- Mary also agreed to provide Paul Swan with a current list of members and email addresses if available for distributing meeting minutes
- Kristen agreed to update the newsletter and requested that members forward content suggestions to her for inclusion
- Lincoln reviewed recent Silver Lake water levels from Ramsey County records (provided by Terry Noonan)
- Kirsten and Tim noted that there were several lakeshore owners in the south end of Silver Lake that liked the higher Silver Lake water level.
- Jeff noted that there were several lakeshore owners that wanted the lake level to be more like it was prior to the weir being put in place (6 inches lower on average) and that according to the Minnesota DNR (web site <http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/lakes/faqs.html#waterlevels>) "The DNR does not control the water level elevation of lakes."
- Lincoln noted that the weir was owned and maintained by Ramsey county, but there was some uncertainty expressed about whether the weir is located in Ramsey or Washington County. Subsequent review of satellite imagery on the Washington County web site indicates that the weir

is located in Washington County
(http://www.zipmap.net/Minnesota/Washington_County/Oakdale.htm).

- Lincoln noted that one of VBWD's interests is in preventing water damage associated with high water levels.
- Lincoln noted that VBWD was concerned about the possible harm that the high Silver Lake water level was having on lakeshore owners, but VBWD does not have hard and fast criteria for taking action to lower the lake level.
- Lincoln also noted that he had not yet received a list of lakeshore owners that were adversely affected by the high Silver Lake water level, and would like SLIA members to ask their neighbors if they were adversely affected and then present their findings at the next VBWD meeting on 6-23-11 (7:00 pm, Lake Elmo City Council Chambers, 3800 Laverne Avenue North, Lake Elmo, MN)
- Paul Anderson agreed to cover Swan Ave., Dave agreed to cover Poplar Ave., Anne agreed to cover Century Ave. and Jeff agreed to cover Lake Blvd. Mike and Jeff agreed to attend the next VBWD meeting on 6-23-11, but Lincoln encouraged anyone interested to attend as well.
- Lincoln also noted that VBWD meeting minutes, schedules and agendas are posted on their web site (<http://www.vbwd.org/minutes.htm>)
- Mike agreed to host the next SLIA meeting at his house on Tuesday, July 12th, at 7 pm, at which time the board of directors will elect officers for the coming year. All SLIA board members should attend

Next Meeting:

The next meeting is planned for Tuesday, 7-12-11 from 7:00 to 8:30pm at the home of Mike and Cathy Manthei. The agenda will include:

1. Election of officers
2. Results of the SLIA annual meeting
3. Silver Lake Improvement Association priorities (e.g., invasive weed treatment, control of runoff water inlets to Silver Lake, storm sewer sediment dredging, shoreline restoration, etc.)

Silver Lake Improvement Association Member Information
(For SLIA use only)

Board of Directors (current term end date):

Paul J. Anderson (2014)
Jon Ruppel (2012)
Mary Anderson (2013)
David Liukonen (2013)
Thomas J. Germscheid (2014)
Jeffrey C. Swan (2012)
Paul J. Swan (2013)

Officers:

President: B. Michael Manthei
Vice President: Paul Anderson
Treasurer: Mary Anderson
Secretary: Paul Swan

Members:

Bangean Abdullah & Zena Khalil
Paul J. & Mary Anderson
Tom & Eileen Armitage
Daniel Barrett
Harold Broman
Bob & Diana Bruton
Judy & Bill Burns
Charles & Melissa Callahan
Cathy Childs
Sigurd & Karen Christiansen
Duke Coborn
Max Ellis
Lincoln Fetcher
Paul Flaherty
Rick Gelbmann
Thomas J. & Joyce Germscheid
Rob Jensen
James & Kathy Koslowski
Bob & Milly Lalor
Bonnie Lembitz & Paul Nichol
David and Polly Liukonen
Sharyn & Mark Long
B. Michael & Cathy Manthei
Anne McComb and Mark Kotz
John & Roxanne Muller
Al & Marilyn Pearson
Don & Jean Regan
Tim & Kristen Rieser
Jon & Nicole Ruppel

Lorna Smith
Jon F. Stejskal
Jeff & Roxanne Swan
Paul & Barbara Swan
Chris & Kelly Unger
Ken Vick
Bill & Jan Zick