

# **Silver Lake Improvement Association (SLIA)**

## **MEETING MINUTES**

**Monday, January 6, 2012 @ 7 pm**

**At the Germscheid home**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Tom Germscheid called the meeting order at 7 p.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

Chair Tom Germscheid took the Boards roll call. A Quorum was present.

Present:	Tom Germscheid Mary Anderson Kristen Rieser	Paul Anderson Jason Ziemer
<hr/> <i>Others Present:</i>	Cheryl Ettlinger Bob Bruton	John Mueller Paul Kaari, Lake Improvement

**NOTE: The Annual Meeting will be held Monday, February 6 at 7 p.m. at City Hall. An agenda and other information will be mailed/dropped off to each member prior to the meeting. The meeting should take @ 1 hour.**

**INITIATIVES & PROJECTS:** (Because there was a guest, this was addressed prior to Reports)

#### 1) Weeds and Water Quality

- a) Due to previous treatments on the lake, native species were reduced resulting in the DNR to restrict the type of weed management available to Silver Lake at this time. However, it should be noted that the DNR will be conducting another survey of Silver Lake in 2012, the results of which will be forwarded to the membership.
- b) Jason obtained information on weed control from a few service providers. He invited Paul Kaari from Lake Improvement Consulting, Inc. to the meeting to present his proposal. Paul's firm specializes in smaller lake management. Other clients include Bald Eagle, Johanna, Turtle & McCarrons.

Paul explained that it is not realistic to eradicate weeds, but rather control them on an annual basis. He stated that the optimum time to treat was in Late May/Early June based on water temperature. He proposed a 2 step approach to control the weeds this year: (1) is an offshore approach that focuses on Eurasian Millfoil and Curly Leaf Pondweed and would allow for up to 8 acres of treatment based on the size of our lake and DNR allowances; (2) The second opportunity would be for treatment of the shoreline up to 15% of the total lineal feet. ***THIS TREATMENT NEEDS INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP PARTICIPATION.***

Lake shore owners would need to complete a DNR permit, which is attached to these minutes. Instructions are also attached. Owners are allowed to sign up to treat 50% of their lakeshore, up to a maximum of 50'. The cost for the treatment is \$1.98 per lineal foot, making the ***maximum individual cost \$99.00.*** If you are not on the shoreline and wish to financially support the maximum treatment on the lake, please contact Tom Germscheid.

***On motion by Paul Anderson, seconded by Mary Anderson, with all present voting aye, motion carried to hire Lake Improvement Consulting, Inc. to complete the offshore treatment (Step 1 noted above) at a cost of approximately \$2400, of which funds shall be used from the weed control account. It is important to note that while the Board approved maximum treatment, the amount we can treat is dependent on how much total shoreline the individual members treat. It is VERY important that as***

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*many people sign up for this as possible. If you are not on the lake and want to help, perhaps ask a lakeshore owner if you can assist them. We also need to get the information ASAP in order to treat at the optimum time. THANK YOU!*

- 2) Valley Branch Watershed District: Action taken by the Board shall be forwarded to Lincoln in order to maintain a joint effort for overall lake improvement.

### **REPORTS:**

A. President – Tom Germscheid

- a. Tom reported that the weir had once again been tampered with. He will contact Lincoln to determine if there is a better way to secure it.

B. Vice President – Paul Anderson

- a. Paul to find out if the City of NSP City Hall would be available Feb. 6 for the Annual Meeting. In follow up, Paul confirmed he reserved it for that date.

C. Secretary

**APPOINTMENT TO BOARD:**

*Dave Luikonen resigned his position as he will be in FL for the next few months. Paul Swan also resigned. On motion by Jason Ziemer, seconded by Mary Anderson, with all present voting aye, motion carried to appoint John Mueller and Bob Bruton to carry out the remainder of David Liukonen and Paul Swan's term.*

D. Treasurer – Mary Anderson

- a. Total Membership account balance: \$6,226.60  
b. Total Weed Control Account balance: \$4,652.56  
c. Mary will work with Cheryl Ettlinger to create and distribute on an Annual Meeting notice and membership form. It was agreed that dues would be reduced this year to \$25. If anyone is willing to assist with distribution (**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**), please contact either of them.

E. Other Board or Committee Members: None

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Last meeting it was noted that it would be beneficial if the Board could find volunteers to serve as liaisons between the SLIA and other entities.

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| a. City of NSP:                     | Paul Anderson |
| b. City of Maplewood:               | <b>OPEN</b>   |
| c. City of Oakdale:                 | <b>OPEN</b>   |
| d. DNR:                             | Tom G.        |
| e. Valley Creek Watershed District: | John Muller   |

### **NEW BUSINESS**

None

### **NEXT MEETING**

Monday 2/6/12 at 7 p.m. at City Hall – Annual Meeting