

Silver Lake Improvement Association (SLIA)
MEETING MINUTES - Monday, June 4, 2012
Paul & Mary Anderson's Home

E. Other:

- City of NSP: Paul reported that he spoke to Scott Dudeck with the City about the condition of the Storm Water drains. He said the drains have deteriorated due to age and are being rebuilt as time/funds are available. This is a low priority on the City's "to-do" list.
- City of Maplewood: **OPEN VACANCY. Anyone interested in serving as the liaison and assisting when necessary, please contact the Board. Estimated time commitment is 2 hours per year. Not required to attend meetings.**
- City of Oakdale: No report.
- DNR/Lake Treatment: Jason reported that Paul Kaari felt it was a great day to treat the lake. However, he is concerned about the quality of the lake and that being under a DNR plan may be limiting options as to how to treat the lake. After much discussion, it was determined that more information was needed. Therefore, the following action items were created. Findings will be discussed at the next meeting.
 - John will talk with VBWD and see if they have a copy of the DNR plan for our lake. He will also talk to Lincoln about what action they feel is appropriate moving forward.
 - Mark will ask Tom for a copy of any reports from the Lake Detective, along with a report that was given to Paul at the last meeting. He will also get any other information from Tom that was passed along from the DNR.
 - Jason will talk to Paul Kaari and get his recommendations for long term lake management.

There was an article in the newspaper a few weeks back regarding a test treat to reduce phosphorus in lakes. This treatment was to clean up the muck on the bottom of the lake. John, Mark and Jason should talk to their respective experts to obtain additional information on this treatment

A second treatment for shoreline owners is available, whether they participated in the first treatment or not. Kristen will send out information to all owners regarding sign up. Fourteen shoreline owners participated in the first treatment. It is hoped that more individuals participate in the second treatment since the DNR limited the overall lake treatment percentage to allow for 100% participation from shoreline owners.

- Valley Branch Watershed District (VBWD): John needs the total costs paid by the SLIA and shoreline owners to request reimbursement by the VBWD. Jason is also following up with Paul Kaari regarding possible grant funds to reimburse the treatments that have taken place.
- Newsletter: No action required at this time.
- Annual Picnic/Clean up: No action required at this time.

IV. Public Forum:
None

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V. Old Business:

- Paul A. reported that the sign notifying that tampering with the weir is an offense was moved to a more prominent location. It was discovered after the meeting that a trench has been dug under the weir.

VI. New Business:

- Mark Kotz discussed the following in his capacity as the newly named President:
 - Mark would like to develop a web site for the SLIA to allow for more information to be passed along to members such as other opportunities to educate lakeshore owners to assist in aiding lake quality e.g. fertilizer, programs for native plantings, etc.
 - Overall meeting frequency was discussed. Mark suggested meetings shall take place every other month and be adjusted if needed.
 - At some future date, Mark proposed that the Board conduct a SWOT (Strengths/Weaknesses/Opportunities/Threats) in order to establish a long term strategic plan for the association.
 - Mark would like to create an updated lake map to be used as a reference tool by the Association. It would include points of reference and other useful information.

VII. Next Meeting:

Monday, Aug. 6 @ 7 p.m. at Paul & Mary Anderson's home.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.