Silver Lake Improvement Association (SLIA)

ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES – Monday, February 3, 2014

North St. Paul City Hall

1.	Attendance – Welcome & Introduction			
	Meeting was called to order at 7:05			
	Board Present	Mark Kotz ('14), Kristen Rieser ('16), Jason Ziemer ('15), John Muller ('15), Mary Anderson ('16), Paul Anderson ('14), Joyce Germscheid ('16)		
	Board Absent	None		
	Others Present	Paul Kaari (Lake Improvement Consulting), Jason Lehmer		
2.	Approve Agenda – Approved. Due to the small group, the Treatment Plans for 2014 was moved to the front of the agenda so that Paul Kaari could make his presentation and leave.			
7.	Treatment Plans for 2014	The maximum treatable area allowed by the DNR is 10 acres, which represents 15%. This means we need to maximize effectiveness. The board is recommending that we continue to target the invasives (Curly Leaf Pondweed and Eurasian Watermilfoil) utilizing center lake treatment. We are asking individual shoreline owners to forgo pursuing individual permits for treatment. Samples will be taken shortly after ice out (thank you to Mark with his GPS toys) in order to target the best area to treat. Early Spring treatment is the most effective so getting the samples to the DNR in order for them to issue a permit is important. Again, our thanks to the board members and others who help to make this happen for the enjoyment of others. The funding for this treatment will come from the general fund. The board will once again submit a grant application to help offset this cost.		
3.	Election of Board Members Two board positions expired. Mark Kotz and Paul Anderson agreed to run again. No			
	other nominees came forward. Both board members were re-elected.			
4.	Financial Report A recap of the financial health is as follows:			

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Description	Amount
2013 Starting Balance	\$11,071.70
Member Dues	\$625.00
Member Payments for Treatment	\$100.00
DNR Grants for Treatment	\$1,500.00
Payment to Contractor for Treatment	-\$3,703.60
Donation to Silver Lake Splash	-\$200.00
Expenses (web site & newsletter)	-\$94.10
Ending Balance	\$9,299.00

The Board has been successful in securing grants from the DNR for covering the costs of the recent lake treatments. However, last year the reimbursement was capped at \$1500, leaving the balance for the membership to cover. The DNR has the same cap for this year.

We strongly encourage all lake shore owners and lake users to forward the \$25 annual dues. Compared to the cost of treatment in years past, this is truly a minimal investment to ensure the ongoing quality of our lake.

PLEASE SEND IN YOUR 2014 DUES NOW. ATTACHED IS THE APPLICATION. CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE PRIDE OF NSP & OUR NEIGHBORHOOD!

5.	Bylaw Changes	The requirement for a Nominating Committee (Item 5.03) was removed from the Bylaws at the last meeting of the Board. This change did not require a vote of the membership.
6.	Voluntary Temporary No Wake Guidelines with High Water	The Board is recommending a voluntary no wake guideline set at 989.35 ft. This would be conveyed through a proposed sign posted at the landing and via the web site. Please see attachment for more detail.
8.	Open Forum	Paul Anderson noted that NSP, Valley Branch Watershed and Barr Engineering are continuing to work on a plan to re-do the bio retention plan given it is not working as intended. No time frame has been set as of yet.
9.	Notice of Upcoming Events	City Clean Up – Saturday, April 26 Splash Date – Sunday, July 20
10.	Adjourn	7:55 p.m.