

Silver Lake Improvement Association (SLIA)

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

MEETING MINUTES – April 6, 2015

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1.	Attendance	Juhn Muller, Dave Luikonen, Sharyn Long, Mary Anderson, Mark Long, Joyce Germscheid, Jason Ziemer, Mark Kotz, Paul Anderson, Nick Hedlund, Kristen Rieser
2.	Approve Agenda	Approved
3.	Approve Minutes from last meeting	Approved
4.	Electronic Actions since Last Meeting	None
5.	Reports:	
a.	President/Mark Kotz	No report
b.	Vice President/Paul Anderson	No report
c.	Secretary/Kristen Rieser	No report
d.	Treasurer/Mary Anderson	\$7492.57 balance
e.	Membership/Joyce Germscheid	10 paid members for 2015
f.	Liaison Updates:	
	City of NSP/Paul Anderson	No update on the holding pond.
	City of Maplewood/Anne McComb	No report
	City of Oakdale	No report
	Valley Branch Watershed District/John Muller	At a meeting John attended, six lakes (Johanna, Demontraville, etc) requested full lake treatment, which was denied by the DNR. They are now attempting to get approval for a stronger concentration of the chemical used to treat their allowable area. We will watch to see if they are successful. John also reported that years ago the wier level was established at 988.5", and the discharge level seems to be 3.5" above that recommendation.
	MN DNR/Jason Ziemer	Discussed under business items.
	Ramsey County/Mark Kotz	No report

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6.	Public Forum	<p>Kristen asked if the public access was closed back in the 70's when Silver Lake had major issues and the DNR was working to improve the quality. John didn't believe there was a designated public landing at that time, and that boats were put in at various places.</p> <p>Nick asked if a speed limit for boating could be set. Everyone felt that people adhered to the recommended no wake guidelines set during high water and no further action was needed. It was noted that the SLIA does not have authority to implement boating speed limits.</p>
7.	Business Items:	
a.	February Annual Meeting Review	<p>Overall, it was felt the presentation by Meg Rattei at the annual meeting was very informative. Attendance levels were low. It is hoped people took time to visit the web site to review the information.</p> <p>VBWD is paying Meg to consult on management strategies for Silver Lake. VBWD may be willing to pay for an Allum treatment (water clarity) if it is determined that boating activity will not prevent the treatment from being effective. SLIA will be taking readings to gauge this.</p>
b.	2015 Lake Management Planning <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Any SLIA Treatment in 2015?• Individual Shoreline treatment• Identifying Lake Management Purposes and Objectives• Water Clarity Study	<p>Mark stated that he visibly saw milfoil when he was out on the water last week.</p> <p>Jason informed the group that a permit had already been submitted to the DNR. However, Meg recommended that we do not repeat the action taken last year. After further discussion, a motion was made to treat the bay area's that the DNR eliminated from last year's permit (due to presence of native plants). All ayes, motion passed.</p> <p>THE SLIA IS ENCOURAGING SHORELINE OWNERS TO SECURE THEIR OWN PERMITS FROM THE DNR FOR TREATING THEIR SHORELINE. THERE IS A LINK ON THE WEB SITE TO COMPLETE THIS. THOSE OBTAINING A PERMIT SHOULD CONTACT PAUL KAARI (CONTACT INFO ON WEB SITE) WHO CAN COMPLETE THE TREATMENT.</p>
c.	Shoreline Cleanup April 11	<p>SLIA will direct people to focus on South Park and the area by Hwy 120. Meet at the pier at 9 a.m.</p> <p>PLEASE – SPEND AN HOUR OR SO JUST WALKING AROUND AND PICKING UP TRASH. Our thanks to Sharyn Long for getting the word out.</p>
7.	Next Meeting	June 1, 2015
8.	Adjourn	8 p.m.

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