

Silver Lake Improvement Association (SLIA)

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

MEETING MINUTES – Oct. 3, 2016

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1.	Attendance	Mark Kotz, Rick Gelbmann, Jason Ziemer, John Muller, Joyce Germscheid, Kristen Rieser, Paul Anderson, Missy Lillie
2.	Approve Agenda	Approved.
3.	Approve Minutes from last meeting	Approved
	Electronic Actions taken	na
4.	Reports:	
a.	President/Mark Kotz	No report.
b.	Vice President/Paul Anderson	No report.
c.	Secretary/Kristen Rieser	No report.
d.	Treasurer / Joyce Germscheid	Balance \$4,266.20.
e.	Membership/ Joyce Germscheid	Lillie family to join in October.
f.	Liaison Updates:	
	City of NSP/Paul Anderson	No update.
	City of Maplewood/Anne McComb	No update.
	City of Oakdale	No update.
	Valley Branch Watershed District/John Muller	No update.
	MN DNR/Jason Ziemer	No update.
	Ramsey County/Mark Kotz	No update.
5.	Public Forum	Missy Lillie asked about the gauge in the lake and how to read if we are above the no wake line. Mark recommended that she check the website. Jason thought the high level mark on the gauge was 1.89. Mark reminded the group that this is set each year.
6.	Business Items:	
a	Approval of web site annual payment	The annual hosting fee is \$155.40 and the domain is \$16.99. Rick made a motion to approve payment. John seconded. All ayes. Motion passed.

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b	City Partnerships with Treatment Costs	<p>Maplewood – stated they would not participate in treatments that affect native plants. Mark stated that Curly Leaf is not a native plant and that it is often present on the Maplewood side of the lake. He will approach them at a later date to consider participation in that particular treatment.</p> <p>Oakdale – they asked what Maplewood was doing. Based on that, they then stated they would ‘not participate at this time.’</p> <p>NSP – the City manager was going to check with the City Council. No response at this time.</p>
c.	High Water Survey Update	<p>GOAL: Request an adjustment to the weir so that during times of high water, it functions to get the lake down to the desired lake level in a faster time frame.</p> <p>John forwarded a survey to the members asking for feedback regarding damage to homes and shorelines. At this time, only 9 persons have responded. He is hoping to encourage those who have been the most vocal over the years to complete the survey so that action may be taken. He will continue with those efforts.</p> <p>Some points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Those responding estimated that approximately 3500 sq. ft. of lakeshore has been lost over the past 20+ years.• It is estimated that owners have spent approximately \$165k in shoreline prevention/damage in recent years.• The average annual rainfall has increased over the years which has contributed to the higher average lake levels.• SLIA’s goal is to have a thorough report completed prior to the annual meeting in February.
8.	Next Meeting	Dec. 5, 2016
9.	Adjourn	7:25 p.m. (in time for the Vikings kick-off!)