

Silver Lake Improvement Association (SLIA)

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

MEETING MINUTES – Dec. 3, 2018

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1.	Attendance	Paul Nichol, John Mueller, Joyce Germscheid, Kristen Rieser, Paul Anderson, Rick Gelbmann
2.	Approve Agenda	Approved
3.	Approve Minutes from last meeting	Approved
4.	Reports:	
a.	President/Rick Gelbmann	Received letter from Mike Manthei regarding water levels, which will be addressed under 6f. The SLIA is now able to participate in concession fundraising given we are a 501(c)3. It is felt we did not have the numbers to participate in that type of program at this time, but nice to know this is available. We are on the mailing list for future consideration.
b.	Vice President/Paul Anderson	Paul shared he is looking to withdraw from the Board due to personal obligations. Paul has dedicated numerous years of service and we are thankful for his service. We are asking for a volunteer to fill this position so Paul can depart knowing the position is filled. He will be done as of the end of the year.
c.	Secretary/Kristen Rieser	No report
d.	Treasurer / Joyce Germscheid	\$3,227.06, no additional income since last meeting.
e.	Membership/ Joyce Germscheid	Membership remains at 37 lakeshore owners. Noted 2 lakeshore homes have been sold. If anyone obtains the name of the new owners, please pass them along to Joyce.
f.	Liaison Updates:	
	City of NSP/Paul Anderson	Per Scott Duddeck, there hasn't been any action taken on the lake. As the Interim City Manager, he will be the primary contact with the SLIA.
	City of Maplewood/Paul Nichol	The spent lime filtration system in the area adjacent to the cemetery and Joy road was completed.
	City of Oakdale/	Joyce to call the City and follow up on the funds committed for 2018.
	Valley Branch Watershed District/John Muller	Last meeting, they voted and approved taking over responsibility for the weir. The DNR still has some authority, Ramsey County will no longer be involved with the weir. No further action has been taken since that time.
	MN DNR/Joyce Germscheid	No report until Spring
	Ramsey County Task Force/Rick Gelbmann	No report
5.	OPEN FORUM	None

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6. Business Items:		
a	Recruiting volunteers for open board positions and other responsibilities	Immediate need to replace Paul A. Three positions are up for consideration at the Annual Meeting, including Joyce and Kristen's. The SLIA also seeks a volunteer to spearhead the Spring Cleanup. Names were mentioned, members will follow up.
b	Annual Membership meeting planning	Recommend Monday, January 28 due to some scheduling conflicts with Board members. Paul A. will check on City Hall availability. Kristen will communicate to membership. Agenda - recap the year, invite liaisons from each category. We will work on getting a speaker with a relevant topic for the lake association.
c	Road Reconstruction	Refer to the weekly emails provided by the engineering firm. No further discussion.
d	Funding efforts for Lake treatment - Maplewood Grant	Requested \$1000, receiving \$440.
e	Business Memberships and off lake memberships in surrounding areas	When sending out the minutes, note that if members are thinking about year-end donations, please consider SLIA now that it can be tax deductible. The Business membership fee was set at \$75 annually.
f	Water Level	It was recommended that we make this a priority. Valley Branch is taking responsibility for the weir, which is a step forward. The City of NSP is also undertaking a comprehensive plan on this matter - both steps needed prior to move this discussion forward. Given the resources of the SLIA Board volunteers and other issues with the lake needing to be addressed, it is felt the team is addressing this topic appropriately.
8.	Next Meeting	Tentatively, Jan 28, 2019 - Annual Membership meeting
9.	Adjourn	7:50 p.m.