

Silver Lake Improvement Association (SLIA)

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

MEETING MINUTES – Monday, Aug 1 2022 at 6:30 pm

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1.	Attendance	IN PERSON: Paul Nichol, Cheryl Ettlinger, John Muller, Joyce Germscheid, Paul Kaari – Lake Improvement Consulting VIA ZOOM: Mark and Sharyn Long
2.	Approve Agenda	Approved Joyce, Second John
3.	Approve Minutes from last meeting	Approved Cheryl, Second John
	Electronic Actions taken	None
4.	Reports	
a.	President/Paul Nichol	Lake is still looking great! Nice to see so many enjoying the lake.
b.	Vice President/Joyce Germscheid	Membership is down – 26 lake homeowners (out of 37), and 2 neighbors of the lake. Thank you very much for your donation to SLIA! We are asking homeowners to please consider joining the SLIA with a minimum \$25 donation. Your contribution is a tax deduction. If you are unsure if you have or have not paid, please contact Joyce or Cheryl.
c.	Secretary/Open	We have a volunteer that has said they would do the meeting minutes for us. Thank you, Jess Gould!
d.	Treasurer / Cheryl Ettlinger	Reports a balance of \$6,447.43 – after payment for the off-shore lake treatment.
e.	Liaison Updates:	
	City of NSP/Joyce	No update.
	City of Maplewood/Paul	Paul noted that the boat launch ramp needs some repair. He will contact the city of Maplewood. We are hoping SLIA will receive some funding from Maplewood from their Gaming Fund but the last 2 years there was no funds available due to Covid. Paul will submit application in the fall to Maplewood and hopefully SLIA will get some funds in 2023.
	City of Oakdale/Open	
	Valley Branch Watershed District	No update. But they will be working with SLIA on the 2023 Lake Mgmt Plan.
	MN DNR/Joyce	Treatment to 2 nd shorelines was completed. The bay's look great, thank you to all shoreline homeowners who did treatment as it helps not just their shoreline but the offshore as well! ALSO NOTE: Please do not boat through lily pads – cutting them up causes them to spread. You may think you are helping get rid of them, but you are only spreading them.

5.	Public Forum	Sharyn has been posting information on the bulletin board by the pavilion on the south side of the lake. Sharyn and Mark noted that there is a lot of used fishing line on the shore, this is very dangerous to the fish and waterfowl in our lake. Mark is going to work on a plan to get a container of some kind to put by the piers for people to throw their line away vs in the lake. Thank you Mark and Sharyn for this awareness.
6.	Business Items:	
a	Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Treatment Update	Paul Kaari gave us a recap of the treatment for 2022. When he was out doing shoreline 2 nd treatment, he did not see the hybrid milfoil as of yet on the lake. However, we started to see it last Aug/Sept so we will keep an eye on the lake going forward. As previously reported, we will be collaborating with many agencies and the city on a 2023 plan. A Lake Vegetation Mgmt Plan may be sought if invasives appear Aug/Sept.
b.	Filling open board positions	<p>SLIA is looking for volunteers for 3 board positions, Secretary, and Member at Large (2). There is minimal time commitment, we are down to 4 current members, and we would really appreciate help, please contact any board member if you are interested! We meet bi-monthly, on the first Monday of the month. You do not need to live on the lake to be on the board. Any community member is welcomed!!</p> <p>New neighbor Jess Gould has volunteered to take meeting minutes for us- thank you Jess! At our next meeting we will discuss her taking on the Secretary position.</p>
c.	Upcoming events: Fall Roundup Parade, Fall Fundraise	<p>SLIA would love to have a float in the Fall Roundup Parade, if interested please contact Joyce.</p> <p>SLIA is looking at hosting a Wine Tasting Fund Raiser, looking for volunteers to help, if interested please contact any board member. A date we are looking at is Sept 10th late afternoon. Furlong Liquor has agreed to co-host!! Thank you!</p>
d.	Sediment Build Up	We have heard nothing from the city regarding any plan to resolve this.
7.	Next Meeting	Oct 3, 2022
7.	Adjourn	Monday Aug 1, 7:35pm