

# Minutes

## Lake Marcel October Board Meeting

October 8, 2019 7:00 PM

Directors Present: **Dan Gutschmidt, Rick DeBlock, George Petrov, Laurell Ramirez, Josh Arbit**

Directors Absent: **Angie Ward**

LMCC Members Present: **Doug Lapchis**

Also present: **LMCC Office Manager, Connie Berg**

The meeting was called to order at **7:01 pm. (Dan Gutschmidt)**

1. Minutes: **Rick DeBlock made a motion to approve the minutes; Josh Arbit seconded the motion. Voted: Minutes were approved as written.**
2. Treasurer's Report: **George Petrov, reviewed the updates to the budget due to discussion at the September meeting and additional subsequent refinement. George added the information from Josh regarding upgrades to the security system and the Emergency Response plan. George also reviewed options for continuing/updating our software subscription. The Board discussed adding the ability for the board to collaborate on documents and to communicate more effectively (than the current email method) with an upgrade to the software subscription. The board decided to budget for more than the minimum (continuing with the same subscription) as the Board further explores ways to ease the time burden of board communications regarding documents, letters, etc. Doug Lapchis (member works with Fisheries), reminded the board that the fish plant money has not all been spent for 2019 and would like to see the amount budgeted for 2020 returned to the amount that was originally budgeted for 2019 even though it was subsequently cut by \$1,000 and then the expense approved out of the 2018 surplus. Handyman budget was reduced slightly because while all agreed that he was under utilized this year due to not having a LMCC Coordinator, we have fully expended the budgeted amount for the last several years. Other changes made after review of actual expenditures in 2019 and expectations for 2020. (Milfoil treatment, Legal Fees)**  
**George explained that we are in fact budgeting for more than expected income. We had extraordinary circumstances this year that reduced expenditures (not having an Office Manager for several months and also not having the LMCC coordinator). The decision was made to increase the dues by the maximum allowed in one year (\$12.00), while also counting on some surplus and amount in our operating expense to make up for the budget being greater than expected income.**

**Rick DeBlock motioned that we raise the dues by \$12.00 for 2020. Josh Arbit seconded the motion. Voted—passed.**

**It was decided to present the budget “as is” and not pare it down in order to bring it in balance with the expected dues income. All agreed that it is not a sustainable scenario if expenses continue to exceed dues, even with the cushion that we have with the operating cash account.**

**Rick DeBlock made a motion to accept the budget, with explanation. Josh Arbit seconded the motion. Voted—Passed.**

**Laurell Ramirez made a motion to set the meeting for Saturday, November 2 at 10:00. Rick DeBlock seconded that motion. Voted, passed. If the room cannot be reserved for Saturday we would meet on November 3 at 2:30.**

**Connie Berg (Office Manager) will reserve the room at the Carnation Fire Station.**

**\*\*\*NOTE: This was changed to Sunday November 10<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 pm (Via email between the board due to time needed to prepare and mail the newsletter and provide proper notice)**

### 3. Additional Discussion:

**Newsletter submissions must be submitted by Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup>.**

- i. Lot 2-157 Letter **Letter approved by Community Relations Committee; board approved sending letter. Connie will send certified return receipt.**
- ii. NOV Letters from Annual Drivethru -**Doug did a quick drive through and found that about 12 members have corrected their issues and about 25 have not. A few of the 25 have made partial progress.**

**Discussion, will we now move forward with NOV letters?**

**Due to timing issues: George made motion to send second FYI letter, Seconded by Rick. Voted, passed.**

## 6) Committee Reports

- i. Architectural Control – **Dan G. Nothing to report**
- ii. Facilities, Dam & Grounds Maintenance –
  - a. Chair vacancy.
  - b. Playground Maintenance Subcommittee.  
**Rick is waiting to hear from Consultant for initial meeting**
- iii. Water Quality, Fisheries and Aquatic Weed Control
  - a. Chair Vacancy
  - b. Weed survey/milfoil treatment-**Waiting for results/quote form survey done (Peter T-not present)**
- iv. Community Relations, Safety & Security – **Josh Arbit, Drive thru talked about previously, ERP now in the budget. Josh will start recruiting people and talk about at the November Special meeting.**
- v. Community Events – **No report-Rick mentioned someone that was interested in the past for community events but at the time the position was filled. We should reach out!**
  - a. Chair vacancy.

## 7) New Motions

**Rick DeBlock made a motion to delegate approval for Beach Reservations to the Office Manager rather than requiring the entire board to be consulted. Josh Arbit seconded. Voted. Failed.**

## 8) Member Comments

- i. THIS IS A PLACE HOLDER FOR MEMBER COMMENTS. WE WELCOME YOUR COMMENTS. NO MINUTES FOR THESE ITEMS WILL BE RECORDED. LMCC MEMBERS WHO WISH TO HAVE THEIR COMMENTS ON FILE WITH THE OFFICE, ARE INVITED TO SUBMIT A WRITTEN COPY OF THEIR COMMENTS TO BE KEPT ON FILE AT THE OFFICE.

**No Member Comments.**

**Rick motioned that we adjourn, Josh seconded the motion. Voted. Passed Unanimously.**

**The meeting was adjourned at 9:41 pm.**