

LOHA Board Meeting Minutes of Wed., February 21, 2024

Vice-president, Ian Hackbarth brought the meeting to order at 7:09 PM. Minutes of the November Board meeting were sent through email by secretary, Carolyn Bree on Tuesday evening. No one received them. Minutes of that meeting were unavailable to be read.

Board Reports

President, Keith Bowling was absent. No report.

Vice-President, Ian Hackbarth had no report.

Treasurer, Jessica Baker stated that Pavilion reservations will be accepted starting April 6, 2024.

Secretary, Carolyn Bree stated that Charlene Valente was recuperating at home and is starting on the April/May newsletter. Information for that newsletter is due to Carolyn by March 13th.

Expeditor, Wayne Heyniger reported that he contacted 13 tree cutting services, and received call backs from 6. Prices for removing 3 trees on lot and 2 by water ranged from \$3,500. To \$7,125. Wayne chose 2 companies, C Greens and Original Budget. The Later quoted \$4,000.00 and the former Quoted \$4,650. Amanda Pieciak checked the review for C Greens, which was rated 4.8 out of 5. Martin Edwards checked the rating on Original Budget, which was 4.5. Discussion followed regarding the value of saving wood from the catalpa trees and the oak. It is known that catalpa wood is not ideal for burning. The wood from these trees will not be saved. The oak branches will be saved for the fire pit. Wood chips from the oak may be saved to use in the flower beds. Geo Pietrzak made a motion to contract with either of the 2 companies, based on Wayne's assessment of the companies, with a cap of \$4,650.00 for expenses. Carolyn Bree seconded the motion. Jessica Baker said that there was \$4,500.00 left from the 2023 budget for the tree removal. \$2,000.00 can come from fund raising, if needed. The motion passed.

Boating Director, Martin Edwards reported on boat storage. 7 boats did not have any ID and 3 boats were untagged. Amanda Pieciak stated that one boat slip never had a boat in it last year. There was some discussion as to procedures for that. Jessica Baker reviewed a previous Board decision that boat slips must be paid by May 15 along with membership. Boats should be in the water by May 31. A reminder should be sent to anyone not putting a boat into a slip by June 15 with the information that the slip will be forfeited.

Social Director, Amanda Pieciak reported that the Halloween party was well attended. Heaters were provided for warmth in the pavilion. Ian Hackbarth put up a themed blow up. The upcoming Easter Edd Hunt is scheduled for Sat., Mar. 23, with a rain date of Sun., Mar. 24 at 3:00 PM. The eggs will be filled by Ladies Auxiliary at the home of Caroly Bree on March 12 at 6:30 PM. The Ski Demons ski show is Sat., Aug. 3.

Promotional Director, Pam Heyneiger reported that the Beach Cleanup is scheduled for Sat., May 1, no rain date. Beach Opening is Sat., May 18. The subdivision Garage Sale is Thurs., May 30 to Sun., June 2.

Safety Director, Geo Pietrzak had no report.

Legal Director, Tamara Pittman was absent. No report.

Old Business

1. Porta Potties – Ian stated that Don's Little Johns service at \$1,800.00 would be \$300.00 more than Brendals. The former maintains cleanliness and provides supplies. \$1,500.00 is budgeted. Jessica stated

that the \$250.00 budgeted for Newsletters is available since Christie Harkins is paying for the newsletters. The remaining \$60.00 could come from the budget for sand.

2. Boat Slips – There was discussion about a lottery for one of the 2 expected slots that would open as a result of a new additional dock. Charges for a lottery ticket were discussed. The topic was tabled for discussion closer to the installation of the dock.

New Business

1. Former VP, Dow Swanson stated that a new flag was needed for the flagpole. Don and Joanne cleaned the area around the flagpole. Don noticed that the flood light was not working and needs attention. He also said that there are 2 more spaces in the equipment in the Weenie Shack for 2 more outside cameras.
2. Gate Opening and Closing – Ian will open the gate at 6: 30 AM starting April 30 for boats to be removed from the parking lot. If a boat needs to be removed before that, Ian is to be contacted. Don Swanson reminded Ian that Jake (Roland Jackel) is willing to open the gate and that he be contacted. Gate closers are needed.
3. Membership Dues – As stated in the Bylaws the dues will increase by 5%. General membership will be \$110.00, Senior membership will be \$88.00. A late fee of \$25.00 will continue. A discussion re: membership ID's resulted in an approval for Jessica to purchase orange ID cards on a lanyard. The cost is \$25.00 for 100. One ID will be issued for paying household. These can be given to members paying their dues at the April General Meeting. These will be required to enter the beach area. Boat Slip fees, acc. to the bylaws will increase by 6% to \$318.00 for 2024. Use of the playground requires a membership. Above information will be in the upcoming newsletter.
4. Pavilion Rental – Jessica will take requests for pavilion rental starting April 6. Charges will remain the same at \$50.00 for under 25 people, \$75.00 for 25 – 40, \$100.00 for 41 – 60 and \$150 for 61 – 75. Wrist bands will be required of all guests.
5. Membership Letter – Jessica requested that information for the letter be submitted to her by March 10.
6. Activity Suggestions and Dates – Amanda requested that suggestions and dates for activities be submitted to her by March 6.
7. Information for the Newsletter – Carolyn requested information for the newsletter by Mar. 13.
8. Ladies Auxiliary Membership – Denise Bastien requested input from the Board about requiring LOHA Membership for membership in the Auxiliary. The decision was that the Auxiliary decide what they required.
9. New Gate – Information about a new type of gate was discussed. Subject tabled for next meeting.
10. Newsletter Information – Dates for Beach Cleanup, Beach Opening, Garage Sale, General Meeting, Membership and late fee, Boat Slip dues, Boat Removal from parking lot, Pavilion Reservations and costs and Need for Gate Closers.
11. Handling of Tarps tabled for next meeting.
12. Next Board Meeting is March 20 at Keith Bowling's at 7:00 PM.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Bree, secretary