

# Lake Isle and Lac Ste. Anne (LILSA) Water Quality Management Society

## **Executive Meeting**

Tuesday May 23/23 – 7:00 PM Zoom

In attendance:

Bernie Poulin - Chair Connie Stonehouse

Kelsie Norton Jenna Carter Kevin Lovich Debbie Durocher

Sharon Beadle Kier Packer

Megan Thompson

**Regrets:** 

Candis Scott Connie Rogan Uwe Brandt Michael Findlater

Meeting started at 7:00 PM

## 1. Approval of the agenda

MOTION: Debbie moved the adoption of the agenda as presented. Unanimously approved – passed.

# 2. Approval of Minutes Apr 25/23

MOTION: Kier moved the adoption of the Feb 28/23 minutes. Unanimously approved – passed.

# 3. Financials

April 2023 bank balance: \$19,505.13

Connie has received donations from all of the summer villages, except Castle Island.

Connie is asking for a budget with planned projects, etc. to provide to donors.

Discussion of potential LILSA projects or support for events/projects carried out by other organizations.

MOTION: Kelsie moved for LILSA to spend \$150 for snacks and drinks at the June 17 Himalayan Balsam removal and cleanup event. Unanimously approved – passed.

MOTION: Kelsie moved to accept financials as presented. Unanimously approved – passed.

#### 4. AGM

Discussion of preparation for AGM meeting. Venue is booked. Arrive 9am for setup, 9:30am meeting start.

Discussion of potential speakers: Present SRWA water quality data/report, Hughie or Kat from Wakâ Mne Science and Cultural Initiative, Tracy from Lac Ste Anne Métis, Debbie Durocher from Alberta Beach.

There are two directorships up for renewal this year. These positions will be advertised on the poster. Ballots will be required at the AGM.

#### 5. Brochure Distribution

Bernie brought the brochures and brochure stands to the meeting for distribution. Discussion of locations to supply.

# 6. Himalayan Balsam removal Alberta Beach boat launch

Alberta Beach will chair the event, Kelsie will make a poster to advertise the event. Attendees should bring their own gloves.

### 8. Restoration Demo Application

Debbie D. confirmed that the application was submitted. The project will go ahead and Alberta Beach will be the site for the demo.

Bernie proposes a sign be put up to acknowledge the involvement of Alberta Beach and LILSA. The project needs a coordinator within LILSA, and Bernie volunteered. A date for the planting event will need to be determined.

# 7. Outreach/Website update

Kelsie reports normal email traffic. LILSA received an email asking about lake water level again (concern around low water).

#### 8. LILSA promotional materials

There are a couple of t-shirts left. LILSA will need new promotional items. Discussion of potential items. Kelsie will explore options.

#### 9. Other

- Connie Stonehouse: Discussion of Mission site visit to look for flowering rush.
- Kevin: Discussion of water use for firefighting.
- Sharon: Discussion of OHV ban due to the fires. Mentioned a service to remove weeds from Lake Isle (with some restrictions). Discussion about weed removal regulations.
- Kelsie: Is LSA County looking into the ALIS program again? Kevin: Funding has ended, haven't heard anything new coming up.
- Kier: Mayor was asking about the level of Lake Isle vs Lac Ste Anne. Bernie: There are a number of beaver dams in the narrows. Connie: May be able to install tubes through beaver dams to allow for water flow.
- Bernie only has two applicants for the team for the mapping and digging of flowering rush for this year. Two is not enough for safety reasons. Debbie recommends contacting the Alberta Beach office to post the job listing. Kevin suggests contacting high school

guidance counselor to look for candidates. The posting should also be on the website and facebook.

Bernie is looking to apply for another grant for next year, to coincide with the end of the AEPA spraying program.

- Bernie: The banners need to be located for the next event.
- Jenna: They have summer students this year, will look at installing water sensors permanently in the lake. Another student will likely work on outreach, site visits.
- Kelsie: At Sunset Point, there is a white rope along the stairs and someone has cut the rope.
- Kelsie: Was interviewed by Wakâ Mne Science and Cultural Initiative Cultural Initiative, interest in working together/coordinating with LILSA.

**Next Meeting June 27/23** 

Adjournment @ 7:58pm