

Mitchell Lake Association Board Meeting

Date: January 23, 2018

Where: 8011 Island Road, Eden Prairie, MN 55347

Present: Dave Jackett, John Tyler, Cheri Nehl, Dan Dorst, Pete Iversen, Travis Yohn

- Approved minutes from October 25 Board Meeting
- Welcomed new board member Travis Yohn
- Dave shared summary of discussion with Leslie Stovring
 - Leslie agreed to follow up on getting 10hp limit sign back at boat launch
 - Leslie indicated that the city sends out a crew to remove geese on land adjacent to park. MLA goose removal at the same time would incur a cost per goose fee only.
 - The city has new weed removal vendor. Leslie will share spring and fall harvest plans.
- Plans for 2018
 - **Spring cleanup/picnic** - Board approved Apr 14 date to align w/EP park clean-up day
 - **Annual Newsletter** – Newsletter to include spring clean-up invite needs to be distributed in late March. Cheri will draft newsletter for review in next board meeting.
 - **Continue \$250 restoration rebate** – One resident has utilized rebate to date. Will try to feature in newsletter.
 - **Continue \$75 weed harvesting rebate** – Plan to communicate in newsletter
 - **Focused North Bay weed effort** – Pete agreed to work with Travis to host meeting with North Bay residents to discuss issues, options, plans for weed removal. Pete agreed to get copy of last year's permit for herbicide treatment for reference.
 - **Partner with Timber Lake Homeowners Association** – Board agreed we should plan joint board meeting/picnic to improve engagement on common issues.
 - **Summer BBQ** – Alternatives discussed such as informal happy hour on lake.
 - **Partner with city on geese removal** - Board will need to stay on top of this to ensure that we can piggyback on city efforts.
 - **Fish stocking** – John agreed to follow up on fish stocking opportunities
 - **Update bylaws and mission** – see below
 - **Tree planting** – Not discussed
 - **Education** – Not discussed
- MLA Bylaws Discussion
 - MLA Bylaws (last updated in 2008) were discussed with numerous recommended changes identified. Cheri will draft bylaw changes for board review.
 - Bylaws currently call for Annual meeting to be held in Sept. Board discussed changing to Spring but agreed to stay with Sept meeting for this year and readdress at that time.
 - Plan to get bylaws approved by MLA members at Sept 2018 MLA Annual Meeting
- CAC Update.
 - Watershed 10-year plan draft released without many detailed actions for Mitchell Lake.
 - Board agree to try to increase attendance at the watershed meetings. Pete attends, potentially rotate other board members.
- Website/Communication Update
 - New website was launched in Nov 2017
 - Board agreed to review/update MLA mission/strategies posted on website at upcoming board meeting
 - Dan to launch membership in website for improved communication
- Updated on financials, # of members and outgoing money
 - Membership has dropped off over last several years.
 - Board approved using a Paypal account to accept Membership credit card payments
- Next meeting to be scheduled for late February –
 - Focus: Draft Newsletter and start planning Spring clean-up/picnic
- Adjourned

Cheri Nehl