



Austin Lake Riparian Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

March 16, 2016 @ 7:00pm

Place: Wightman & Associates, Inc. 9835 Portage Rd.

Present: Win Larsen, Kirk Wolf, Norman Young, Dave Savoy, Gary Hahn, Jim Pearson, Dani Koewers, Luisa Alexander,

Absent: Patricio Trevino, Bill Snedeker, Barb Silverman

Others Present: Dan McCreery, Adam Beuker, Larry Pio

1. Greetings and Introductions
2. Meeting Minutes of November 10th, 2015 meeting were corrected and approved.
3. Treasurer Dave Savoy reported \$4430.98 available in the fund. Motion to accept Treasurer's report approved.
4. Website Report.
 - a) Currently there are no paid advertisements
 - b) Gary reported he had been asked by a lake resident to have the Board consider adding a note to the website and to the newsletter suggesting boaters avoid disturbing the airlines and aerators by steering clear of them and by trying to avoid dragging anchors in their vicinity. Also, if it looks like a fountain instead of bubbles-boaters should notify Lake Savers at 269-383-3400.
 - c) The group decided to add the names of voluntary annual dues payers on website.
 - i. Change newsletter to indicate "Austin Lake Residents dues" instead of "Austin Lake Riparians dues"
 - ii. There are 4 banker boxes containing lake historical records in the hands of Larry Pio and Kirk Wolf. Luisa will obtain a quote on the price of scanning such documents.
5. Social Committee Report.
 - a) Boat parade scheduled for August 6th. Dani Koewers will have event details by next meeting.
 - b) Progressive Party tentatively scheduled for June 4th.
 - c) Annual Brunch tie-up in July, exact date to be determined.
6. Old Business
 - a) The Board agreed to proceed with the purchase of voluntary annual dues sticker. The sticker will display the Austin Lake Riparians logo and year. Residents that pay the dues by May 1st will be listed in the newsletter to show their participation and support and will receive a boat sticker
 - b) Lake Residents Directory Project.

- i. Gary Hahn to contact Pat Gilford to inquire about postcards already received from Lake residents with contact information.
- ii. Dani Koewers will provide Luisa Alexander with a box of cards she recently received. Luisa Alexander to place information in electronic form.

7. New Business

- a) Motion was passed to contribute to the City of Portage Environmental Board's Purple Loosestrife Project to contribute for purchase of two batches of beetles not to exceed \$200.
 - b) Norm Young has posted on the website the aeration Consultant summary report for the 2015 season that was presented to the ALGLB on March 2nd.
 - c) Newsletter Planning.
 - i. Everything must be turned in to Norm by May 2nd.
 - ii. Win Larsen to provide an article about Sailing Club
 - iii. Gary to contact Bill Beck to obtain write up about Loosestrife
 - iv. Gary to look into including an article about "What is a riparian?"
 - v. Gary to put together an article about Seth Giem from the Train Barn who recently passed away.
 - vi. The newsletter to mention we are developing a lake directory with list of emails for emergency contact purposes.
 - vii. Newsletter advertisement cost will remain the same.
 - d) We still continue to look for possible nominations for board positions to expire in June 2016. Jim Pearson agreed to serve one more term should he be reelected. Gary Hahn will serve one more term should he be reelected.
 - e) Annual meeting tentatively scheduled for June 6 at 7:00 pm. Jim Pearson will confirm room reservation with the Library and will invite Sheriff Fuller as a guest speaker, Jim Pearson and Brian Johnson (if in attendance) will address questions regarding aeration during the meeting.
 - f) 2015 minutes to be posted on website.
8. Gary to schedule next meeting for mid-April via Doodle.
9. Adjournment 9:05 PM.

Submitted by Luisa Alexander, Board Secretary