

THE LAKE CHEMUNG
HERON



Lake Chemung Riparian Association

Meeting Minutes

February 4, 2009

Meeting Minutes By: Ginny Himich

Attendance:

****Note that Lyn Hewitt (President) and Leon Hewitt (Trustee) submitted their resignation from the LCRA in January 2009. In addition, Sharon Himich will not be able to continue with her duties as Secretary given her work schedule.*

Board Members Present: Sue Sytniak, Ginny Himich, Linda Gallerani (LCORI)

Board Members Absent: Mary Hough (Sunrise Park), Charlie Jones (Sunrise Park)

Other Attendees: Ray Phillips (LCORI), Donald Shaver (LCORI), Pam Shaver (LCORI), Bob Press (LCORI)

Meeting called to order: 7:04 p.m. by Ginny Himich

Minutes: The meeting minutes from the September 2009 meeting were handed out to the board and meeting attendees. G. Himich made a call for comments; there were none. The minutes were approved.

Treasurers Report: Sue Sytniak requested more time to complete the Treasurer's Report. It was later provided to G. Himich via email-see summary below.

Beginning Balance - \$3587.26

Income

- Memberships - \$516.86
- Donations - \$1, 071.28
- Can Koozies - \$20.00

Total Income - \$1608.14

Expenditures

- State of Michigan - \$20.00
- Web Domain - \$145.40
- Frames for Plaques - \$6.34

Total Expenditures - \$171.74

Ending Balance as of January 31, 2009 - \$5023.66

Correspondence:

- MLSA Association membership application and CLMP Registration Information was received.

Old Business:

- WEED CONTROL: Ginny Himich agreed to coordinate the program for summer 2009. Will involve coordinating with the Lake Manager to ensure that lake surveys are done and lake management needs are determined and coordination with the township to ensure that our Lake Manager, Herbicide Applicator, and/or Weed Harvester Co. are paid.

New Business

- MLSA BUSINESS:
 - Ginny Himich stated that the LCRA needed to renew their MLSA membership since the LCRA now uses the MLSA web server to host their web site. Ginny agreed to provide Sue Sytniak a completed Lake Association MLSA Membership application (via email) and requested Sue to make out a check for the appropriate payment and mail the application back to the MLSA.
 - Ginny Himich recommended that the LCRA continue with the CLMP volunteer monitoring program – of which the MLSA and MiCorps are partners. Ginny agreed to provide Sue a completed CLMP application (via email) and requested Sue to make out a check for the appropriate payment and mail it as per the CLMP instructions. Ginny said that she will coordinate the volunteers needed to conduct the program. The monitoring to be conducted will be: Secchi disk (turbidity), spring phosphorus, summer phosphorus, and chlorophyll-a.
 - Ginny Himich announced that the MLSA will be holding a Free Lake Representatives meeting on February 21, 2009 in Hamburg Twp. Ginny offered an invitation to attend to the board and other participants at the meeting. Ginny will mail an announcement to the Feb. 21 meeting to Ray Phillips and to Linda Gallerani (LCORI).
 - Ginny Himich announced that the MLSA annual conference will be held at Houghton Lake on April 24 and 25, 2009. Sue said that the LCRA has traditionally paid for a couple of LCRA members to attend the MLSA annual conference each year-if interested. No one expressed interest. Ginny mentioned that her husband (Mike Himich) would be interested in attending and it was agreed that if no other LCRA members wished to attend, the LCRA would fund Mike's attendance.
- LCRA WEBSITE: Ginny Himich announced that the LCRA's new web site is up and running (<http://www.lake-chemung.com>). The web site is hosted through the MLSA web server. Ginny designed the site since Jennifer Cameron said that she could not design the site (Jennifer was the outside contractor who had previously indicated interest in re-designing the LCRA web site. She said that she could not re-design the site using MS Frontpage so the board opted to do their own re-design). Ginny told the board that the LCRA has secured their own domain name and that the license for that name will be in effect for 5 years. Ginny asked the board to review the site and provide comments/suggestions.
- OFFICERS: The board discussed the fact that Lyn Hewitt and Leon Hewitt had resigned and that Sharon Himich was no longer available to attend board meetings due to her work schedule. Ginny Himich said that she did not want to take on the Presidential duties and asked if there were any volunteers for that position – no one expressed interest. In light of that, LCORI said they would publish an announcement soliciting interest in the vacancy in their next newsletter. The same was suggested for Sunrise Park's next newsletter. LCORI said that their members would be returning to the lake in May and there may be some interest in filling the vacancy. Due to lack of officers, the board agreed that future meeting should be cancelled until May 2009. The board agreed that business could be conducted informally through emails/telephone calls until that date.

- NEXT MEETING: The next meeting was set for Wednesday May 13, 2009 at LCORI. Linda Gallerani was not available the first Wednesday in May so the board agreed to postpone the meeting until the following Wednesday.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm