

**Hitchcock Lake Improvement Association**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, October 26, 2020**

Type of Meeting: General Meeting by Google Meets  
Meeting Facilitator: President Kathy Mrazik

- I. Call to Order at 7:01 by President Kathy Mrazik
- II. Roll Call --Board Members: Kathy Mrazik, Dave Judd, Lina Marunas, Cheryl Corey, Jeremy Chicano, Ed Sullivan, Judy Miceli, Rob Browne, Andy Giordino, Ed Sullivan.  
Members present: Kim Belval, Susan Chase, Tom Tella, Chris Parsons, John Sharek.
- III. Approval of Minutes from September 28, 2020 meeting that were posted to website. Cheryl Corey made a motion to accept the minutes. Andy Giordino second. The motion carried.
- IV. Motion to close the existing CD at Webster Bank on October 9, 2020 and move funds to Money Market account due to low interest rates. Motion made by Judy Miceli and second by Lina Marunas. Motion carried. Original motion made by email on October 7, 2020 by Judy Miceli, second by Lina Marunas, motion carried.
- V. Treasurer's Report  
Treasurer Dave Judd presented the Treasurer's Report for September 2020 period. Member dues are \$800 over budget for the year. The CDC and Renew the Lake donations are running less than budget.  
HLIA paid the WLCT for the 80% portion of the insurance. Dave Judd presented the proposed 2021 budget. Budget will be finalized at the November 2020 meeting.
- VI. CDC (Community Development Committee)
  - a. Three Lake t-shirts were sold.
- VII. Environmental and Safety
  - a. Work is still being done to remove the sunken sailboat on the South Lake. This has been delayed due to COVID but will potential happen before winter.
  - b. Tom Tella gave an update on the Dam Committee that they have met with 5 engineering firms over the course of the year to obtain proposals for work, but moving forward is dependent on the grant funds.
- VII. Correspondence:
  - a. Solitude did not charge HLIA for the 3<sup>rd</sup> weed treatment.
  - b. Mark Possidento, Town Engineer, emailed President Mrazik and WLCT President Tom Tella to update on the water testing that has been taking place after rain fall per the MS4 program. It was reported there is a higher level of fecal coliform. Due to lack of rains, the levels are higher. It is not believed to be due to septic or sewers but animal (wild and pet).
  - c. Debbie Golden, Town Council Liaison, was in touch with President Mrazik and reported nothing new on the grant funds: waiting on DEEP for an update.

- d. Lake resident offered help with the dam issue and President Mrazik will refer him to the dam committee
- e. Susan Chase made suggestions for creating an incentive to pay dues and give dues paying members a token of appreciation: creating a handbook/resource to Lake services or vendors in the area to share with members; or give dues paying members a t-shirt, flag, hat to show their support of the lake. Tabled for further discussion at the February meeting when dues are determined. Also, a suggestion about limiting speed and noise of high-speed/power watercraft. Lina Marunas suggested taking an online survey of members as there have been other concerns around boating, quiet time and others may prefer to give feedback anonymously. Lina to work with Susan on a survey.

IX. Old Business:

- a. Bylaw Committee update: A committee of Mark Sussman, Lina Marunas and Cindy Cayer presented draft copies of: revised bylaws, new Conflict of Interest Policy, amended Certificate of Incorporation and a memo summarizing the changes to the Board members. The Board has been working on the drafts and will finalize prior to the Nov. meeting. Plans for adoption at the Nov. meeting to present to the membership for vote at the annual meeting.

XI. New Business:

- a. President Mrazik stated at the August 2020 meeting that she would not be pursuing a second term, but wanted to note that she changed her mind and would be open to a second term. Nominating Committee (Kathy Mrazik, Jeremy Chicano, Laurie Greco, Brian Spirtt and Sharon Anderson) recommend the following slate to the membership for election at the January 2021 annual meeting.

Two-year term ending: January 2023

President: Kathleen Mrazik  
Vice-President: Lina Marunas  
Secretary: Kimberly Belval  
Treasurer: David Judd

Three-year term ending: January 2024

Directors: Cynthia Cayer, Cheryl Corey and Judith Miceli

Nominations from the membership can be made at the November meeting.

- b. Annual Meeting: Per Governor Lamont's Emergency Executive orders for COVID-19, non-stock corporations that do not have provisions for an annual virtual meeting may meet per the executive order virtually due to the pandemic. HLIA Board has not made a determination yet for the January meeting.

XII. Adjournment

Judy Miceli made a motion to adjourn. Andy Giordino second. The meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Lina Marunas, Vice President.

Minutes Approved by: posted on the website pending approval at the next regular meeting, November 30, 2020.