Westler Lake Association Minutes

Held at Coody Brown’s

August 10th, 2019 at 9:00 AM

President Brandon Altimus called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Secretary Abi Thompson read the Spring 2019 meeting minutes. They minutes were approved as read.

**Treasurer Report –**

Treasurer Megan Voss stated that the Wester Lake Association currently has $49,817.30.

The CD has accumulated $69.31 in interest and the checking account has earned $21.60 in interest.

The Poker Run had a net income of $5,322.36. This is roughly $1,000 less than last year, but we already have additional sponsors lined up for next year.

The biggest expense this year was fireworks. A $200 insurance policy for the day of the Poker Run was also purchased this year.

**Poker Run Committee –**

Brittany Altimus spoke on behalf of the Poker Run committee.

The high water scared people and caused sales to be slow. Because of this, we tried to keep expenses low. We ended up almost selling out, selling 480 tickets.

We have noticed a lot of community involvement, including sponsor and volunteers, reaching out to us to see how they can help.

A motion was made to hold another poker run in 2020. The motion was seconded and approved with no opposition.

The 2020 poker run will be held on July 18th, 2020.

**Five Lakes Association –**

Mike Peters reported on behalf of the Five Lakes Association.

There will be a Five Lakes Association meeting on Tuesday. New officers will be elected.

West Lakes has asked the Five Lakes Association for donations for weed control at Duke’s Bridge. This should help with water levels, along with log jam removal. It was stated that West Lakes has sprayed for weeds twice now and each spray cost roughly $3,000. A motion was made to amend the motion approved in the spring stating the donation of $2,500 to be used for log jam removal. The money instead would go to the Five Lakes Association for them to use the money for log jam and/or weed removal as they seen fit. The motion was seconded and approved with no opposition.

Dallas lake decided that goose removal was not needed this year. The goose removal did not happen so we did not donate the $1,500 we originally planned on donating.

**Social Media –**

Mark Voss wants everyone to keep spreading the word about the Westler Lake Website and social media.

He asks that when people have questions to look at the website or social media before contacting him.

Online sales are working well and we are trying to push the online sales, especially for poker run. It made the ticket sales easier.

Several members from the lake association thanked Mark for all he does with social media and the website.

**New Business –**

A down payment for the fireworks is needed in January. A motion was made to donate $2,500 for fireworks, just like we did this year. The motion was seconded. It was approved with one person opposing.

Concerns were brought up regarding the 10 MPH speed limit. Many are not following it and with the high water, the waves are pulling the rich soil into the lakes. The sediment can cause mil foil blooms which is not good for the lakes. A lake association member would like increased enforcement of the speed limit and would like ticketing to occur.

President Brandon Altimus thanked Coody Brown’s for letting us use their space for the meeting. The spring meeting will be held on June 6th, 2020 at 9:00 AM.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 AM.

Westler Lake Association Board Meeting Minutes

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August 10th, 2019 at 9:44 AM

President Brandon Altimus called the meeting to order at 9:44 AM.

Megan Voss proposed that we open another CD. A motion was made that we move $15,000 to a 12 month CD. The motion was seconded and approved with no opposition.

Megan Voss also stated that taxes will need to be filed this year since we are now a legal entity. The interest we have earned will be taxed, but we are unsure of the poker run earnings. It was suggested that we reach out to a couple of different accounting firms to look at pricing, as well as using them in the future to make it easier on the board. We will use a third party for taxes this year, but may look at filing our own forms in the future is possible. Will evaluate feasibility of using or not using an accounting service in the future years after this year.

Jessica Grimm has been working on getting her channel dredged for a couple of years now. She is to the point of getting quotes from contractors. She would like the permission of the Westler Lake Association to continue with the process and to apply for the LARE grant. A motion was made to have Jessica move forward up until the submission of the documents for the LARE grant. At that point, the board will meet to decide if the grant proposal will be submitted on behalf of the Westler Lake Association. The motion was approved with no opposition. A meeting will be held on November 2nd at 10:00 AM at Brandon’s house to discuss the submission of the LARE grant.

Concerns of a flood light near the bridge on Witmer Lake were voiced. It is very bright and dangerous at night. Brandon said he will look into it.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:13 AM.