Maple Lake Association 4/20/2023

Present: Frank, Don, Phyllis, Anne, Nadine, Mike, Shirley, Doug, Sue

Frank welcomed all to the meeting. The minutes were emailed out. Nadine made motion to approve the minutes, Shirley seconded, all in favor.

Treasurer Report Anne reports the balance in the account is \$7041.76. We have one new member. Shirley moved to approve the report, Doug seconded, all in favor.

New Business

Weed Control -Had a warm week in April, Don will be looking at the lake in May for weed growth and discuss with Jim at Aquatic Weed Control if he sees any issues. We had an early thaw which could impact growth but we won't know for a while. We usually treat in June after Memorial Day.

Weed Boat- Doug reports the boat is being worked on. It has a new motor and will need to be tested before we can use it on the water.

Village Update- Roman said the engine was replaced but needs some additional work. It will be easier to operate now with some new controls. It should be ready by the time we need it this summer. The restrooms on island are being redone, the bids are in and hopefully will be done by Memorial Day or sooner. They will have steel doors and timed locks on them. The kayak launch will be installed soon. The Maple Island bridge is being planned to be replaced as well as the dam at the south end of the lake. We discussed locking the gate to the island but we know people can get around that. Roman filed the tax return for the association.

Web statistics Shirley had shared the website stats previously. She discussed the newsletter and is waiting for a few stories still to put it together. She would like to have it out by the end of April.

Hats T shirts Visors Phyllis gave some money to Anne to deposit from some sales. We have some t shirts and polo shirts and few hats available.

Grants Sue said we don't have any new ideas for grants yet. It is difficult to find some for our lake. Phyllis commented that the Spring Riparian had some articles on grants for lakes.

Region 3 Lakes meeting is at the Porter Township hall April 29th at 9am. That is on M-40 between Lawton and Marcellus.

Frank asked the VanBuren County Marine division to come to our May 18th Board meeting to discuss safety or other issues people may have.

Communications Shirley said a realtor talked to her about an old report they had found about the eco system of the lake. We discussed reports that are available about all the lakes.

Public Comment: Roman said the buoys at the south end of the lake will be going in the next few weeks. There will be a repair in the cement at the boat launch this year. Shirley said Chuck and Roman did a nice presentation at the library in February about the lake. People seemed to enjoy it and they had a good crowd.

Anne moved to adjourn, Phyllis seconded, all in favor.

Submitted by Mike Pioch