

WIZARD LAKE WATERSHED AND LAKE STEWARDSHIP ASSOCIATION
Tuesday, November 17, 2015, 7:00 – 9:30 pm, Faulkner's home
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Present: Blake Bartlett, Brian Clemo, Kate Daniel, LeVerne Ellsworth, Laverne Faulkner, Benn Kilburn
Regrets: Harold Hofstra, Bryan Mason
Guest: Albert Faulkner

AGENDA

1. Action items from minutes from fall meeting
2. Finances - LeVerne
3. 2015 Living By Water Homesite Consultation program - Kate
4. Leduc County's Grant & Social Media Forum - Brian
5. Municipal Development Plan Update meeting
6. Coordinator position for the WLWLSA - Kate
7. Correspondence from website
8. Current projects update - Blake
 - pergolas, bulletin boards, Pigeon Lake steering group, spring meeting, season's greetings
9. History of WLWLSA projects and possible future projects
10. Next meeting

MINUTES

1. Action items from minutes from fall meetings

- AGM
 - *Contaminated run-off from range road 271 through Blake's canal to the lake, and use of retention ponds.* **Blake** will talk to the concerned person at the next public meeting.
 - *Garbage on the lake.* Blake arranged for Leduc county to purchase 8 signs requesting boaters clean up after themselves, to be posted at the power line north shore (1), Bentley's campground lake frontage (after consultation with campground)(1), rge rd 275 boat launch (2), Wizard Heights boat launch (1), Herman's point (2), spare (1). **Blake** will ask for volunteers in the spring to erect them.
- Sept 5/15 board meeting
 - *Cheque signing authorization changes at bank.* Waiting for **Blake** to go to the bank.
 - *Leduc county grant.* **Blake** is in the process of requesting these funds.
 - *Land Stewardship grant.* Abandoned grant application because Blake wasn't sure we could spend the money on the spreadsheet by the deadline. Once 2011 data is complete, will take to Alberta Environment to get their input. Depending on that outcome, may apply for the spring grant.

2. Overview of finances – LeVerne

- \$4,984.02 as of Oct 31/15 in bank. Waiting for money from Leduc county for buoy placement and pergola construction.

3. 2015 Living By Water Homesite Consultation program – Kate

- Despite comments from Nature Alberta, and considering the small size of the watershed, this has been a very successful program, with 4 consultations completed in 2015. As more of the homes at the water's edge have been completed, residents further from the water in the watershed will be targeted. **Blake** will contact other watersheds to discuss how they promote the program.

4. **Leduc County's Grant & Social Media Forum – Brian**
 - Brian obtained information on sources of grant money within the Alberta Gov't. **Blake** will review this information and make recommendations. **Blake** will follow up with Netmedia (website developer) to discuss possible costs and work on the WLWLSA website.
5. **Municipal Development Plan Update meeting – Blake**
 - **Blake and Brian** will attend this meeting at Leduc County on Nov 24/15. Concerns they will bring forward are: concerns with lack of follow up from the county to ensure conditions of approval of development permits are met; and that there are more residences on Wizard Lake than a town like New Sarepta yet we have no facilities or services (e.g. paved roads).
6. **Coordinator position for the WLWLSA – Kate**
 - Kate has completed a job description with required hours for an administrative position to support the WLWLSA. **Blake and LeVerne** will meet with Land Stewardship to discuss their support: provide us with a person or provide funds to hire someone for a group of watersheds or part time for us.
7. **Correspondence from website**
 - **Blake** will reply to the messages received.
8. **Current projects update – Blake**
 - *Jubilee Park Pergolas.* Blake, LeVerne and Albert (with Purnell's donated backhoe) built 2 pergolas for Leduc county and are donating the reimbursement to the WLWLSA. Blake expects more projects in the spring from Leduc county and will need volunteers.
 - *Bulletin boards.* Albert and Blake tidied the boards in April and restored the sign at Curilane B. All signs will be restored over time. **Blake** will prepare "Did you know..." posters to be placed on the boards for general interest. **Benn and Blake** will continue with restoring these signs in the new year.
 - *Pigeon Lake steering group.* Discussed a Oct 21/15 County Market article about the Pigeon Lake Renewal Steering Group that has been formed to bring all concerned parties under one umbrella. Information only.
 - *Spring meeting.* Targeting a Saturday morning in the first week of July (long weekend?). Leduc county is interested in partnering with this meeting. Possible topics: boating safety and awareness, lake health awareness, Homesite consultations. May involve RCMP, law enforcement, federal department responsible for lakes. The WLWLSA being seen as the police of the lake is a sensitive issue. Good opportunity to include the AGM as people will be together. Could include day use people by handing out pamphlets to them as they launch their boats.
 - *Seasons greetings.* **Blake** will send a greeting to the membership via email. **Laverne** will meet with Blake and Linda to ensure they are comfortable using the WLWLSA email.
9. **History of WLWLSA projects and possible future projects**
 - Laverne provided a list of projects that have been completed, or are current, or possible future ones. The list will be distributed separately. This is food for thought for board members to consider in terms of their own interests and where they would like to spend their volunteer time.
10. **Next meeting. April 27, 2016, 7:00 pm, Blake's house.**

Minutes prepared by Laverne Faulkner November 18, 2015.