



WIZARD LAKE WATERSHED AND LAKE STEWARDSHIP ASSOCIATION

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 04, 2024

Time: 7pm

Location: Blake's House

MINUTES

Attendees:

Blake Bartlett, John Hrynkow, LeVerne Ellsworth, Kevin Cummings, Kate Daniel, Donna Andres, Albert Kamps, Robert Skwarok, Linda Bartlett, Linda Hutchinson, Elise Pallard

Regrets:

Shane Hammell, Bryan Mason, Brian Clemo, Ray Assaf, Richard Ipsen, Kathie Drynan, Corey Drynan, Linc Drynan

- Blake welcomed everyone including two new Board Members – Linda Hutchinson and Albert Kamps
- August 09, 2023 minutes were adopted with Donna Andres making a motion to adopt minutes and Kevin Cummings seconded.
- Treasurer Report given by John Hrynkow. LeVerne Ellsworth made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented with Kevin Cummings seconding the motion.
- Motion made by Kevin Cummings and seconded by LeVerne Ellsworth accepting that Blake Bartlett proceed with pursuing relevant grant applications for the 2024/2025/2026 years. Linda Hutchinson inquired about procedure for making applications. Blake and Kevin Cummings explained that anyone on the Board can bring forth a grant application to be discussed by the Board. The Board, as a group, would make the decision as to whether or not to complete an application. John Hrynkow advised that the tracking of expenses for a grant application are closely monitored by the Grantee as well as by WLWLSA treasurer.
- Updates on grants currently in progress:
 1. RR271 and TWP480 – Our consultant on this project, Associated Environmental Consultants are in discussions with the landowner.
 2. Leduc MR – NSWA and Leduc County in discussion re sketch plan. Linda Hutchinson and Donna Ingram wish to be kept informed of any progress to which Blake agreed. Request for volunteers will be sent out once the workplan, date, requirements are complete.
 3. Land Stewardship Centre – Jubilee Park signage project – 13 signs are now installed: 6 on the 900m Trail Path, 4 on the Shoreline, 3 on the Historical Trail starting at the concession stand in Jubilee Park day use area. 2 signs in book format are in the design stage. WLWLSA has received compliments on the signage.
 4. 2024 Spring Sampling Program was approved by the Board to continue the sampling program for 2024. LeVerne Ellsworth made the motion with Kevin Cummings seconding. Linda Hutchinson made mention about how important having data is.
 5. Blake requested Park Day volunteers. As the date has not been set, Blake will make that request via email once a date is set.

6. 2024 Try It Event: Linda Bartlett will send out an Information document on the setup along with a request for Board Members to monitor a station based on previous years. Blake is working with Leduc County, Parks and Recreation in finalizing the days events.
- Blake brought up the discussion of Board Directors insurance policy renewal with Nature Alberta. John Hyrnkow made a motion for WLWLSA to stay with Nature Alberta Board of Directors Insurance Policy. The Board approved. Once the renewal invoice is received Blake will send notification to Board of Directors. Nature Alberta's cost is based on membership.
 - Blake brought forth a discussion regarding two wood carvings (Bear and Owl) gifted from Leduc County for the purpose of a fundraiser in the format of a raffle or draw. Linda Hutchinson forwarded to Blake the 'Instructions for Completing the Eligibility for Raffle Licence Application Form' which will need to be submitted to confirm WLWLSA's is eligible for have a raffle. Blake will submit the document. The board agreed that a raffle vs a bidding process would be the preferred choice. Once WLWLSA has been approved, decisions will be made as to the raffle's format ie ticket format, cost of ticket, #tickets per book, date of draw, etc. Further information to come once eligibility is confirmed.
 - 2024 Annual General Meeting will be held August 17, 2024 Blake will confirm with Leduc County the use of the Overflow Parking Area at Jubilee Park. Further details to follow.
 - **Next meeting: Thursday, March 14, 2024 7pm at Blake's House**
 - **Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm**