

WIZARD LAKE WATERSHED AND LAKE STEWARDSHIP ASSOCIATION

THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2009 – 7:15 – 9:30

Canadian Petroleum Interpretive Centre

MEETING MINUTES

Present: Carole Ellsworth, LeVerne Ellsworth, Ruth Kolodychuk, Walter Kolodychuk, April Larkin, Matt Leach, Arja Patrick

Absent: Cathy Daniel, Chris Daniel, Laverne Faulkner, Linda Hutchinson, Greg Illchuk, Kathy MacPherson, Kevin Smyth

AGENDA

1. Wiz 'Spiel finances – **LeVerne**
2. Board alumni free memberships (J. Fowler) – **LeVerne**
3. Mascot outfit – **Ruth**
4. Next newsletter – **Arja**
5. Strategy for attracting board and volunteers – **Linda/Arja**
6. Cost for putting logo on bags – **Linda**
7. Book presentations to schools – **Arja**
8. Leduc Area Structure Plan – **LeVerne**
 - J. Fowler—injunction against proceeding
 - workshop Saturday May 2
9. Alberta Stewardship Network 09 grant – **LeVerne**
10. State of the Watershed Report – **LeVerne**
11. Wizard Lake Awareness Day June 6 – **LeVerne**
 - get organizing meeting scheduled quick
 - for May Schooner Laura requires info for article by April 24 (also for boat parade)
 - ads must be in by end of April
12. Emerald Awards reception April 23 – **LeVerne**
13. Conferences – **LeVerne**
 - Alberta Water Learning Network (Rundle Mission, June 1-3)
 - Strengthening Stewardship—Investing at Every Step (July 8-11, Calgary)
14. Schedule next meeting

MINUTES

1. **Wiz 'spiel finances**
 - 2009 Wiz 'Spiel was very successful financially, as well as building community spirit.
 - Profit made was \$737.25
 - A discussion of 'what to change for 2010', which will be presented at the committee meeting next winter
2. **Board alumni free memberships**
 - All board members present agreed that we are much too small of an association to give out honorary memberships to the 20 past members of the board.
 - Past board members financial support and volunteer work are much needed and appreciated.
3. **Mascot outfit**
 - Ruth reviewed a proposal from Nadine Best from International Mascot Corporation for making a wizard mascot costume to be used at functions and local parades and events.
 - It was decided that WLWLSA cannot afford such a luxury.
4. **Next newsletter**
 - Arja has the spring 2009 newsletter almost ready for press
 - Laverne will write up a 'letter from the chair' to include in this issue
 - Carole will submit an article on the Area Structure Plan
 - LeVerne will put the remaining plastic, pamphlet holders on the bulletin boards
 - It was decided not to put the newsletters in these pamphlet holders. The newsletters are a privilege for members of WLWLSA to receive

5. Strategy for attracting board and volunteers

- Linda not present
- Arja requested this be carried forward to the next meeting

6. Cost for putting logo on bags

- Linda not present, so postponed to the next meeting

7. Book presentation to schools

- Arja will make appointments to donate the book 'One Well' to local schools and libraries
- The books will be presented before the end of May
- Arja will make arrangements for the press to be present for a presentation

8. Leduc area structure plan

- **Re: J. Fowler letter**...all board members agreed that WLWLSA will support and work with the County of Leduc on the area structure plan in the Wizard Lake area. To bring forward an 'injunction against proceeding' was voted down.
- The concern that land use must be consistent around the lake and throughout the watershed is shared with John F. After the plan has been adopted, WLWLSA will lobby the County of Wetaskiwin to follow and adopt the development by-laws set out by Leduc.
- All board members are encouraged to attend the Leduc County May 2 workshop. To date, April, Matt and Arja have registered.

9. Alberta Stewardship Network 09 grant

- LeVerne reports that we will receive the \$7500 grant that we applied for.

10. State of the watershed report

- LeVerne reports that the contract with Aquality has been broken down into segments
- The first segment is for \$4000
- Josh Haag reports Aquality's progress
 - A table of contents and outline has been developed
 - A preliminary roadmap for the document is coming along
 - They are in data collection and collation mode
 - They are looking at GIS data from government agencies to determine the areas of focus for mapping
 - Aquality requires any information available on Wizard Lake from all of us

11. Wizard Lake Awareness day

- Ruth scheduled a committee meeting at her house on April 22, 7 PM.
- Information should be generated at this meeting for Laura to submit an article and ads for the Lake Schooner.
- LeVerne will chair this meeting, Ruth/Carole will take minutes
- Awareness Day is June 6, 2009

12. Emerald Awards reception April 23

- The County of Leduc has nominated WLWLSA for this prestigious environmental award. What an honour!
- Edmonton Mayor Stephen Mandel, Honorary Chair, has extended an invitation to the nominees for a sponsor recognition reception at the Citadel Theatre.
- Laverne and Albert Faulkner, LeVerne and Carole Ellsworth have accepted the invitation.

13. Conferences

- Alberta Water Learning Network (Rundle Mission, June 1-3)
- Strengthening Stewardship—Investing at Every Step (July 8-11, Calgary)
- Alberta Stewardship Network 'Stewards in Motion VII' workshop and AGM will be held in Fort Macleod on June 25, 2009. Theme: Wildlife Habitat and Our Role in Providing It. LeVerne and Carole plan to attend.
- Agreed to pay travel, meals and one night lodging for attendees

14. Boating sign

- Carole passed around a copy of an 'Attention Boaters' sign that Dean Ohnesty and Nicholaus Moffatt (Leduc Park's & Rec) have drawn up to post at the boat launches. It displays rules for boaters and gives notice of the lakes potential to be extremely busy.
- All board members were impressed, as this is part of an educational process to make Wizard Lake safer
- WLWLSA will give the County of Leduc \$200 toward the cost of the signs

15. Homesite Assessment

- April will meet with Kim Dacyk, FAN Living by Water, to organize this summer's homesite consultation. The meeting will be the end of April/beginning of May.
- Matt is checking into plaques to be given to the residents who have their property assessed....cost and material.
- It was suggested that these plaques should be designed to add the lot number of the residence.

16. Alberta Water Quality Awareness Day 2009

- Laura and John Reichert have registered
- AWQA is June 5.

17. Schedule next meeting

- Will be held Thursday, June 11, 2009, 7:00 PM at the Calmar Legion.