

11/7/2023 Meeting in Marsha's garage

Marsha Beck called the meeting to order @ 6:35 pm.

Those board members in attendance were: Marsha Beck, Kevin Miller, Chad Harpster, Kristi Link, Louise Swihart, Anne Fitzpatrick, Deb Deuter. Maggie Fetcho phoned in.

Secretary. The Secretary's report from the 2023 Annual meeting was submitted and accepted.

Treasurer. Treasurer's report: Not many expenses at this time. \$22,500 in the bank right now.

Architectural Committee. Architectural committee from Louise: Lot # 55, the new home that is under construction. The driveway is in and they cleaned up the road. Doing a great job.

Environmental Committee. Nothing to report at this time.

Maintenance Committee. Marsha will clean up the memorial garden on one of these warm days for leaves.

Marsha stated that she contacted REMC and they took down 2 trees down for PCLA as a preventative measure, at no cost to us. She got a quote for \$600 to take down one tree that is leaning over the pavilion. Kevin made a motion to take the tree down, Maggie 2nd it. Motion passed unanimously. Marsha will call Sevits to drop the tree.

Old Business. Lake Management: Chad said, nothing much until first of the year and then they will start planning. Pretty much the same as this year. Lily pads can't be treated until after we have received the money from the dues increase that will come in next year. If we have rollover funds we can look into treating the lily pads. He states it's going in the right direction. Louise said that there were lily pads in areas that we've not had before. Karl King will be helping lake management, too.

Forestry Committee. Marsha & Maggie will be meeting with Art Franke on November 15th about the Equip program. Marsha asked for a field of questions to cover with Art. We will file for the program in November and come in with a forester. Four weed species that are invasive need to be treated. Questions must be in by the 10th. We need to get our application in. Money is a big factor that we have to address. Herbicides are another. We are looking into the pluses and minuses of this program. A forester will tell us how to best treat it. Pokeweed is all over but worse on the north end. They will give advice on planting after the weeds are under control. It must be cleaned up.

Per Art Franke who is from the USDA NRCS District Conservationist here in Angola "Since the storm, with all the sunlight that is coming into the woods in the large open areas, the invasive weeds will take over even faster. They need to be treated or it will get much worse. The forest will recover faster if we do control them and replant. The forest will rebound 5-10 years faster than if we leave it alone." Invasive weeds include: Autumn Olive and Pokeweed, Wild Cucumber, etc.

We are also concerned about the White Pine Beetle Fungus, Shelf Fungus, which we'll ask Art about. If we replant, will the fungus destroy the new trees too?

New Business Goals for 2024-25: Forestry, Lake control, tree down. Posts to keep snowmobilers out. Marsha will talk to Rex about putting rocks around in other areas.

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Time of the board meetings will be at 6:30 now as it is best for most. The annual meeting is always the first Sunday after Labor Day.

Chad made the motion to adjourn, Louise 2nd. Meeting adjourned.

March 12 next meeting at 6:30.