

Minutes

Fish and Royer Lakes Association

March 13, 2010

Maplewood Nature Center

Present: Cheryl Albergo, Joe Albergo, Pam Deetz, Marshall Doig, Norine Doig, Bob Drasch, Betty Hemlinger, TJ Hemlinger, Dick Krull, Carol Massat, Helmuth Massat, Brian Mervau

1. Minutes of the last meeting were approved.
2. The treasurer's report was accepted. As of February 29, we had income of \$405, and a balance of \$2550.21. Fifty eight members have paid their dues. As of mid March, we currently have \$3748.81 in our account, because of dues coming in and payments for aerial photographs are coming in.
3. TJ Hemlinger passed around a map to verify the identity and assignments for all of the road captains. One road captain may not have received the winter newsletters to distribute.
4. Norine Doig has been collecting data on when people are at the lake. She found that many people are here from May to October. This will affect when the newsletter should be distributed. We will plan to distribute the fall newsletter in late September, so as not to miss people who leave in early October.
5. A motion was made and seconded to mail out the Winter newsletter to everyone. The motion was approved. There will be some mailing costs associated with mailing the winter newsletter, but so many people are gone during the winter, and the difficulty of delivering the newsletters by hand is considerably greater when there is snow and ice on the ground.
6. Joe Albergo suggested that we develop a list of people who are gone during the winter to give to the sheriff's department to request patrols in those areas, in order to prevent possible breakins of vacant properties.
7. Dick Krull will check with Dave Arrington about the stocking date for channel catfish this spring. The association will fund the stocking of 1,000 channel catfish, and Dave Arrington had volunteered to stock an additional 1,000 channel catfish. We will post the stocking date and time on our website so residents can watch the process if they so desire.
8. Dick Krull is checking on the ownership of the aerial photographs to determine whether we can use them for fund raising projects.
9. Cheryl Albergo and Pam Deetz, representing the fund raising committee, reported that the 50/50 raffle will be held at both general meetings this summer. We will ask all residents holding garage sales to have a can for donations to the association. A cookbook of lake association picnic recipes is planned for the fall. We continue to receive income from the aerial photographs. We may sell trivets with a lake photo printed on them. At the 4th of July flotilla residents may have the option of registering their boat as an entry in a decoration contest, with half of the registration fees being awarded to winner(s) and half going to the association. More information on this will be forthcoming.

10. The date for the general meeting was changed from June 19th (Father's Day weekend), which was a conflict with our annual garage sale, to June 5th at 10 am at the Maplewood Nature Center.
11. A tentative date of August 14th was set for the second annual meeting and picnic. The next board meeting will focus on planning the picnic. We anticipate the meeting starting at 3:00, and the picnic beginning at 4:00. Erik Pearson has graciously volunteered to roast another pig. Residents will bring dishes to share, as last year, and we will also be requesting the recipes, to include in a lakes association cookbook. Bands and karaoke are being explored. Members are encouraged to bring children and grandchildren to the event. Dick Krull volunteered two additional tents
12. Our next Board meeting date was changed to April 17th at the Deetz home at 1350 S. 525 E. , Lagrange, IN (south of the boat landing on Fish Lake). Pam Deetz's phone number is 260-281-2527.
13. Brian Mervau suggested a clean out day for Fly Creek. Dick Krull will check with Dave Arrington in regards to possible DNR rules related to such an event. If we are able to plan this, strong people will be asked to volunteer to remove debris that may be disrupting flow of the creek as an outlet for the lakes.
14. There will be a DNR presentation on goose removal in Fort Wayne on March 22nd at Salomon Farm Visitor's Center. For further information call DNR's urban wildlife biologist at 812-334-1137 or email swinks@dnr.in.gov
15. The next board meetings will be held on April 17th at the Deetz home at 1350 S. 525 E. , Lagrange, IN (south of the boat landing on Fish Lake). Pam and Randy Deetz's phone number is 260-281-2527. The following board meeting will be on May 8th at the Maplewood Nature Center. The annual meeting will be held on June 5th. The tentative date for the second annual meeting and picnic is August 14th.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Rippey Massat