

**LOUISE / SUSITNA / TYONE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (LSTCA)**  
**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**Sep 5, 2015, 1100 Hrs**  
**Matthews Public Safety Building**

The LSTCA met for a regular board meeting at the Matthews Public Safety Building at 11:00 am on September 5, 2015. The meeting started at 11:07 am.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Jeff Urbanus, President  
Aaron Bunker, Vice-President  
Kerin Fassler, Secretary  
Yvette Delaquito – Treasurer  
Robert Rolley, Member (telephonically)  
Sharon Clark, Member  
Wendy Simpson, Member (telephonically)

**BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:**

None

**COMMUNITY MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mike Fassler  
John Hicks  
Walt Arthur  
Joe & Jennifer Cizek  
Tom Lohman  
Pinkie Bailey  
Patti Billman  
Wayne & Susanne Christiansen

**GUESTS:**

Jim Sykes - District 1 Assembly Member  
Larry DeVilbiss, Wasilla Mayor

### **QUORUM:**

A quorum was established by Kerin Fassler.

### **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:**

Jeff Urbanus introduced the board members and special guests.

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

Kerin Fassler read the minutes of the Annual Meeting. One correction in reference to the spelling of Ken Barkley's name was made. Motion was made and seconded to approve corrected minutes. Motion passed.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Yvette Delaquito presented the Treasurer's report(s) (copies attached). As of 9/3/2015 there is a total on all accounts and certificates of \$87,478.11. Total disbursements since \$5,972.37 with total deposits of \$29,504.37 – leaving a current ending balance in checking of \$39,010.64. We have \$8,941.77 in share certificates and a performance bond of \$1,000.00. Our primary share account has a balance of \$38,525.70.

Ms Delaquito reported that since we had changed our name, new checks had to be purchased. Patti Billman made a comment that the Weather Station fee of \$122.88 seemed high. Kerin Fassler motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report. Sharon Clark seconded. Motion passed.

### **REPORTS OF DIRECTORS, PERMANENTLY ESTABLISHED COMMITTEES:**

- **The Channel Committee** has no status update to report. Buoys are not in channel yet. John Hicks reported that the buoys will come out next year.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- **Satellite Phone** – it was noted that we never actually voted on a purchase. Mr. Stam was researching. The cost was \$1,130 for each phone and we need three. There is a one time \$30 activation fee and then a monthly fee of \$200 for 6 months. The phones would be distributed to Mike McGarvey, Wayne Simmons and John Hicks and wintered in the Public Safety Building. John Hicks would manage the phones. Mike Fassler noted that our most vulnerable time for fire is during the winter. Sharon Clark reported that satellite phones were not on our current grant. We would need approval from the Borough to purchase. Aaron Bunker moved to spend the money to purchase if the Borough approves. Sharon Clark seconded. Motion passed. Jim Sykes indicated he will try to expedite the grant change proposal.
- **Channel Committee** – A request was made by our President, Jeff Urbanus, seeking a new person to head up the Channel Committee. It should be a seasonal person and he/she would be in charge of lights, buoys, brush cutting, etc. We will add a note to our website to solicit a volunteer.
- **Road Grading** – Our current road grader (Roddy) was in an accident. He is recovering and in the meantime a search is being made to see if we can get another grader. Yvette will know soon if a contact that has been approached will be able to do it. She also noted that this is done in a

volunteer type fashion and we need to rely on the grader's time and availability. The LSTCA pays for this.

- **Printing of Directory** – A major setback in the printing of the directory was announced by Kerin Fassler (Membership Chair). In the past the MSB has done this printing for us at no cost. We now are required to pay for them ourselves. Kerin has looked into one printing option that would cause us to pay up to \$5 per copy which is fairly high. Consensus was that other options should be addressed – another printer possibility or even posting on the website. Ms Fassler will check other printshops and provide details on potential solutions at next meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- **Fire/Rescue Boat** – John Hicks stated that the boat is under powered, heavy, and not suitable for the lake. Discussion included getting a broker to sell the boat and possibly purchase a better boat for the lake. Kerin Fassler motioned and Sharon Clark seconded the motion to start the process to dispose of the boat. Jeff Urbanus is going to spearhead the process. Motion passed.
- **Fire Truck** – John Hicks stated that the Lake Louise Volunteer Fire Department owns the fire truck according to DMV. Corky Matthews has the keys as of Aug 27. Sharon Clark is going to look into getting the keys.
- **Channel Signals** – Two proposals – one for \$38,000 for permanent versus approximately \$35,000 for mobile traffic signals. Using signals raises a lot of questions about liability and we would possibly need a legal opinion before we consider. Also, the cost is very excessive and it is unknown whether channel users would abide by the lights as they don't use the current system all of the time anyway. Sharon Clark motioned and Aaron Bunker seconded to forget the lights as a solution to the channel issue. Motion passed.
- **Webpage** – An annual fee of \$766 with Apricot for providing all the services that we would need was proposed by Jeff Urbanus. Discussion was centered on possibly spending up to \$1,000 per year on web services. Aaron Bunker motioned to go ahead with the purchase with the option of re-evaluating after a year. Kerin Fassler seconded. Motion passed.
- **Bank Switch** – Yvette Delaquito suggested a change to a different bank with more availability to the members. Yvette to research and find out what charges we would incur to do this.
- **Boat Launch** - Improvements are making progress through the Borough for approval.
- **Larry DeVilbiss** - Addressed the assemblage showing support for what we do. He also indicated that there is a possibility of a fire truck being available.
- **Jim Sykes** –
  - Reported our building is under review for fix. He indicated an estimate to fix is between \$500,000 and \$750,000.
  - On the question of putting up signs – it is ok to do so on private lands as long as we have permission.
  - There has been a recent EMS restructure within the MSB and there is a presentation online if anyone is interested.
  - He is going to ask for revenue-sharing funds next year.
  - Oct 6 is the mayoral election in the Borough and he encourages everyone to get out and vote.
  - Comprehensive Plan is moving along and all are asked to participate if available.
- **Facebook** – A question to the board regarding a Facebook page for the LSTCA would be a good idea.
- **Next meeting date** – January 23, 1100 hrs, Matthews Public Safety Building

- Aaron Bunker motioned and Sharon Clark seconded to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 1:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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KERIN FASSLER, Secretary

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Date

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JEFFREY URBANUS, President

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Date

Attachments:

Agenda

Treasurer's Report