

Lake Louise Community Non-Profit Corporation
Board Meeting/Annual Meeting
July 20, 2013
11:00 AM (began @ 11:25 AM) to 1:31 PM
Lake Louise Lodge

The Board of Directors of the Lake Louise Community NonProfit Corporation met for the Annual Meeting on Saturday, July 20, 2013 from 11:25 AM to 1:31 PM at Lake Louise Lodge

Present: Anne Otte, Bev Matthews, Sharon Clark, Tom Lohman, Ann Ness, Yvette Delaquito

Audio: There was no one on a teleconference

Guests: See sign in sheet

Secretary's Report: Read by Ann - will be approved at next Board meeting

Treasurer's Report: Sharon made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, Tom 2nd (approved)

Introduction of guests:

Sara Jansen - Planner II - Borough

Gene Wiseman - Rural EMS Chief for Mat-Su Borough

Jim Colver - legislator (not for us, but was interested in what was going on in our community so he came up for the meeting).

Letter of recognition from Jim Thompson for Jonathon Delaquito. Sharon read letter. We will need to decide on specific method of recognition at next board meeting.

Recognition of 5 kids who helped with community clean up day. certificates and Cold Stone ice cream and Tastee Freeze (Brent Clark, Jonathan Delaquito, Keegan Delaquito, Nick Wallow, Tony Delaquito)

Sharon read Ann's resignation letter to the body.

Election of Board Members (4)

Corky nominated - Ted Kinney who agreed to serve if elected

Tom Maine nominated Corky Matthews

Patti Billman spoke to Aaron Bunker's qualifications

Tom Lohman nominated Walt Arthur - Walt declined the nomination

Joe Stam spoke to being on the board

Karen Fassler - spoke to being on the board -lives in Eagle River EMT at LLCNPC

Mike Fassler Firefighter and EMT in Eagle River & at LLCNPC

Bev spoke to being on the board

Sharon spoke to being on the board

Corky spoke to being on the board - Fire Chief/EMT Chief

Members began voting by ballot

Newsletter Communication - Why is it the newsletter isn't getting out to everyone? - Karen Fassler is willing to look into this. Bev suggested doing a snail mail to announce the annual meeting. Sarah Jansen spoke to this and said the borough will do one mailing a year for the community. Sarah will act as a conduit for that. Expect that the borough will need at least 3 weeks advance notice to do this.

Directory and emails- Karen Fassler has a database and can update the information. Anyone interested in being on the committee needs to sign up on a clipboard.

JPARC - Sharon has two CD's that explain the final decision on the JPARC issue from Elemendorf Commander - **Jim Colver** was able to speak to this a little bit. Suggested community remain vigilant with safety, wildlife, time of year, might need to speak to congressional delegation. **Dan Billman** spoke a little about it (as a pilot) There still may be some avenues to pursue this. It could take a couple of years....environmental issues and groups are working on this from another angle. It is an unsafe condition that something needs to be done about it. **Jeane Holt** has been working on this. She has a good understanding of the issue. We have until July 28th to write a letter from the community. **Patti Billman** suggested we have Jean Holt write a letter on behalf of the community and we as individuals write letters as well. Dan Billman suggested we find out the specifics of the recommendations before we take action.

Conversation continued about the 1000-page document that discussed this (JPARC) issue. Dan Billman will look into this and write a letter. He suggested the board write a letter about this.

Joe Stam suggested a motion be made that the board write a letter to the borough, congressional delegation. Joe made a motion and Mike Fassler 2nd - approved. Ann will modify a previous letter and send it to the board this weekend.

Yvette: CVT Copper Valley Telephone is surprised we are not being more active if we want service out here. They are willing to work with us. They will be able to provide fiber optic and DSL....They would drop lines in the water....They would encourage community to be involved. They did not commit to a price though. The board has sent a letter to express our interest. CVT encouraged us to talk to the borough to see if we could get some supplement from the borough as well as talk to our legislators...This also seems to be a good time to talk about the electricity coming to the lake as well. The lodge is looking forward to having electricity here. It would solve a lot of problems the lodge runs up against.

There is a committee clipboard here. People are encouraged to sign up for this. This might be a good time to do this - - putting two lines in at one time (electric and phone/DSL)....**Patti Billman** reminded that in the past (20 years ago) it wasn't possible to do both at once but this might have changed. A conversation began about ways to bring in power including the possibility of changing the service area boundaries.

Jim Colver had a lot of information about different ways this might be accomplished. We might write letters to the **RCA** (Regulatory Commission of Alaska) about service in our area. Approaching the USDA might be another way. Jim will talk to the State Director to see if there is another way to do this..He suggested It may take a while but keep the pressure up....Dan Billman had more information about committees and what had happened in the past about getting power to the properties. Jim suggested the community might think about putting someone on the the **Electrical Board** and/or look for people that are sympathetic to our needs.

We need people on the committee to get this going.

Annual Meeting date - Discussion of dates/times/ changing the By-Laws - The need for a By-Laws Committee to review and update the By-Laws as needed/if needed. As far as changing the dates we came back to the idea of just leaving the meeting at the same day regardless of fishing on the Kenai. Community members need to decide whether it is important to them to attend the Annual Meetings. We will leave it the third Saturday in July - (overwhelmingly approved by the body)

After some discussion of times that would work best for the meeting **Anne Otte:** made a motion to change the meeting time to noon as compromise. Karen Fassler 2nd (passed with one opposition)

Sara Jansen (Planner II - Borough) spoke to the Comprehensive Plan. She had handouts and was able to go through the guidelines of the process, policies

and specifics of how a comprehensive plan works. This is at least an 18 month long process. Planning to begin in October (18 - 24 months is probably what our plan will take). Members of the committee are not limited to those that own property, renters can be on the committee as well. The committee can work with anything even in a teleconference type of atmosphere. The Safety Building is set up with teleconference capability and is a good place to meet. Materials can be emailed ahead of time. Sara is willing to work with us in any way she can.

Sara will be a facilitator in this process that is there to guide us, help with writing, and wading through the policies and regulations. **Naomi** asked about people without email. Sara said they would snail mail those people. **Patti Billman** commented that this isn't just another committee this is a powerful process and we have to participate for our community. **Walt** talked about the 7 people on the committee so far and thanked those people for their commitment and dedication. He looks forward to further work on this plan.

Reminder about Committees: Sharon made a further reminder about the importance of being involved in/on the committees and reiterated that the clipboards are available and to sign up to be involved.

Land Use Permits - Joe Stam explained the Land Use Permit- Because we use buoys, signs etc we need to pay \$100 for a land use permit each year. There is no chairman yet, the committee will vote for their own chair - Bev nominated Joe as temporary chair until the committee chooses their own chairman. Joe agreed.

Corky spoke to the new Fire Rescue Boat. He had a full accounting of the money spent on the boat - see attached accounting page that lists in detail. He spoke to the process of turning the boat over to the borough.

Asked for questions: It will be in the water on the Public Safety building Dock. Do you have to wait for the dive team? Responders on the lake can jump on it and go.

Isn't there a concern that we are bringing the borough more and more into the community? Originally the borough was not going to be involved. Lengthy discussion about the borough involvement in our community. **Jim Colver** discussed the concerns and said we are getting services for the tax money....Understands our concern about what do we get for our money?

Dan Billman asked when we cross over the line and become a service area? Jim spoke to this

John Hicks asked about the boat meetings and where/when they were. Corky spoke to this and about the meetings, who was there and email notifications. John said he never knew about the meetings. John disagreed with the boat size and specifications. He believes we should have gotten an airboat and believes there should have been more input prior to the purchase of the boat.

EMS - Currently we have 7 responders The Fasslers are EMT One's and this has given our community a lot more skills - Tom Lohman and Tim Sutter are the two drivers. Training at this point is up to date.

Gene Wiseman is Rural EMS Chief. The responders we have has given us a step up. In 12 years time there have only been 53 or 54 incidents. Suggested people come talk to him about being involved the the program. Need people to be officially trained and on the 'books'. This has a lot to do with liability. We have challenging response areas with ice and water rescue. He sees the boat as a stable rescue vehicle. Water rescue will be trained here.

What number do we call if we have an emergency here at LL?

If you call 911 and you have a Mat-Su or Anchorage phone number it goes to Palmer Police Department.

If you have a cell phone at Copper Valley or ACS your 911 call goes to The Troopers in Glennallen; then the Troopers call Corky and Corky calls dispatch.

We can call on VHF radio channel 11

Or we can make a phone call direct to Corky

This information is in the directory for your convenience - Corky says a direct phone call is best way to reach him and get to the emergency faster.

Because of so many ways to call for help, this is a challenge as well. When community members step up they do so as a concerned neighbor or by-stander. Caution needs to be used because of the EMS training and liability. Bystanders often help because of lack of resources.

Good Samaritan rule for Alaska - Anyone who has good intent; no intent to malice, that is there to help. There hasn't been a successful lawsuit against a good Samaritan in the US.

Clarification: There is **not** \$160,000 for ambulance but they are trying to improve the vehicle that is in use right now.

Apollo Medical Transport Insurance - There are brochures available if people are interested. \$125/year covers everyone in your home. Statistically we will be in

air transport area. This can be a very high cost. Medical Transport Insurance covers you in lower 48 and in Canada. Tom Maine said he spoke with Apollo last week- Apollo has a dispute with the State of Alaska and are not writing any new ones. Please call and see if they are continuing.

Dumpsters - So far the contract for the dumpsters has been renewed and the dumpsters will be there. Tom Lohman wanted to thank Doug for his help and being there for us. Suggested we support his business when we stop to drop our trash by buying snacks there.

Doorprize:

Burn Barrel - John Hicks

Naomi asked about printed information about the Lake - Sharon talked to this issue and discussed the sign idea at the junction - Apparently a couple people on the lake have written books - This needs to be looked into and added to the information about the community. Bill Hernandez, Barney Sabos were mentioned as the authors.

Patti Billman asked about the windsock - Harry Holt is working on it and hoped to have it up by now but it's taken longer than expected.

The ballots were counted and the new board members are:

Joe Stam

Mike Fassler

Sharon Clark

Aaron Bunker

Anne Otte made a motion to adjourn. Yvette 2nd passed unanimously/adjourned at 1:31 PM