

Rush Lake Improvement Association
General Meeting
January 19, 2019
8:30 a.m.

The January meeting of the Rush Lake Improvement Association was held on January 19, 2019 at Nessel Town Hall. Board members present: Pete Flom, Dave Manders, Doug O'Brien, Ron Rogosheske, Larry Steeves, Greg Tschida, Gambling Manager, Ron Eiden and Secr./Treas., Sue Griffin. 16 association members were present.

President P. Flom called the meeting to order @ 8:30 a.m. Members reviewed the minutes of the December 8, 2018 meeting. Motion was made by A. Bachmeier, seconded by M. Anderson, to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2018 meeting. Approved. S. Griffin reviewed the December Treasurer's Report as follows: Beginning Balance - \$40,067.27; Total Deposits \$240.00; Total Disbursements - \$1,874.54; Reconciled checking account balance as of December 31, 2018 - \$38,432.73. Grant Allen Scholarship Account - \$1,181.88. Motion by M. Anderson, seconded by R. Rogosheske to approve the December Treasurer's Report. Approved.

R. Eiden presented the Gambling Manager's Report. Gross Profit (Net Receipts) - \$62,388.00; Total Tax - \$23,112.00; Total Allowable Expenses - \$24,909.00; Net Profit (Loss) for the Month - \$(9,022.00). Reconciled Gambling Fund Balance - \$176,944.66; Total of all Gambling Fund (on the last day of the month) - \$358,805.06; Reconciled Gambling Fund (on the last day of the month) - \$341,130.33. Reconciled Checkbook Balance - \$159,269.93. Motion to approve the gambling report was made by S. Schneider, seconded by D. Manders. Approved. To be approved: Compensation/tax \$6,000; Rent \$20,000; Miscellaneous \$4,000; Tabs and Tax \$35,000. Total to be approved - \$65,000.00 Motion to approve was made by D. O'Brien, seconded by D. Manders. Approved. Ron reported the gambling computer crashed and needed to be replaced. He purchased a Hewlett Packard for \$1,600 which included all the warranties.

Miscellaneous Business: Grant Allen Scholarship: R. Rogosheske gave a background on the Grant Allen Scholarship. Information and the new application will be on our website soon as well as on Facebook. We now are giving three \$1,000 scholarships. Letters were sent to the following schools: Rush City, Pine City, Braham, North Branch and Cambridge/Isanti. Ron also reported that in the past few months we have lost 3 influential members of RLIA - Ron and Judie Peltier and Past President, Tom McKenzie. He met with Tom before he passed away and listened as Tom reviewed past RLIA history as well as his thoughts on future goals.

Annual Meeting: L. Steeves reported that our Annual Meeting will be Saturday, June 15th. Sidelines Bar & Grill will again cater the meal and we will have one speaker - Susanna Wilson, Chisago County Water Resource Manager.

Lake Clean-Up Day: P. Flom reported our annual lake clean-up day will be Saturday, March 2nd. Please meet at Flickabirds @ 10:00. Thank you to Jackie Flom for coordinating this with the Adopt-A-River Program.

Weed Control: G. Tschida gave an update on our two projects of on-shore and off-shore treatments. He stated that RLIA will pay \$200 for those choosing to do on-shore treatment and the cut-off date will be April 15th. We now have programs in progress with both The Dive Guys

and Lake Restoration. For off-shore, we are primarily treating CLPW with Lake Restoration. We have entered into an agreement with PLM (Professional Lake Management) to manage our projects in the future. They will take a long term view of managing the lake and provide guidance to RLIA. We will start with them next fall – they have already gathered a lot of pertinent information. They will review that information and then take the next step to engage us as to what we will do in the future. This information will then be centralized and computerized for future generations going forward. A special thank you to Greg for all his work on this project.

A motion to adjourn was made by S. Schneider, seconded by R. Bittner. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Griffin, Secretary/Treasurer