

ROCK LAKE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION SPECIAL EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

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Minutes for August 30, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

Zoom

- 1) **Call to Order** – 6:30 p.m. By Senior Board Member, Stan Smoniewski
Members present: Mike Neesemann, Nathan Pyles, John Crump, John Thode, Jim Colegrove, Susan Trier, Bruce Ward, Candace Diaz, Jim Kerler
Guest: Tom Krejcie
- 2) **Motion to accept the agenda** - Made, seconded, and unanimously approved.
- 3) **Secretary's Report** – Motion to approve July 19, 2021 minutes made, seconded, and unanimously approved.
- 4) **Election of RLIA President.** John C. announced his willingness to run for President. Stan called three times for additional nominations. None were made. Voting by a show of hands was unanimous for John C.
- 5) **John C took over as presiding officer.** He asked for people interested in running for the other offices. Susan volunteered to run for Vice-President, Jim C to run for Treasurer, and Mike to run for Secretary. John C asked three times for additional nominations for any of the offices. None were made and voting, by a show of hands was held in succession for the three offices. All nominees were elected unanimously.
- 6) **A) Review/Debriefing of the Annual Meeting.**
People felt in general the meeting went very well and received positive feedback from members. All appreciated Cory's manning the check-in table and his handling of people not on the rolls but who thought they were members. Most simply paid on the spot but a few were convinced they had paid their membership fee. Cory made note of the discrepancies and Jim C will look into the disputed cases. Lake Mills Market delivered right on time and everyone enjoyed the photo and video presentations.
B) Discussion of priorities for the September Board meeting.
Susan had 3 requests: i) Discuss the Miljala Channel issues and upcoming grant proposal. ii) That the Board discuss the Marisa Ulman's outstanding performance and consider writing our support for her and her position to the three County Supervisors representing the City and Town of Lake Mills, as well as to the Director of the Jefferson Land and Water Conservation Department (Patricia Cicero) and her supervisor, County Administrator Benjamin Wehmeier iii) Discuss the current situation of the AIS station plaques and tools.

Nathan said the leaders of the Jefferson Co. Soil Builders are already out of pocket for some associated expenses and wanted to be sure the \$1000 the Board had allocated would be freed up. Jim said there should be no problem and he would check with Patricia Cicero to be sure the County was ready to accept and use the funds.

Mike requested time to provide and update on the general liability policy situation.
- 7) **Decide on terms of newly elected Directors.** 3 of the 4 Director positions filled at the annual meeting were for the regular 3 years, while the fourth, to fill Shar Webster's position, was for 2 years. John T volunteered to take the 2 year position. Susan will email members re the new officers as well as the length of terms.

8) Next meeting. John C explained the current COVID situation and why he strongly recommended it be held virtually by Zoom. Everyone agreed. Next meeting will be 9/20/21 at 6:30 PM on ZOOM.

9) Adjourn. A motion to adjourn was made, seconded, and unanimously approved at 7:20 PM