Round Trade Lake Improvement Association (RTLIA) Spring Meeting, June 1, 2024

President Call to Order - 11:06 am.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Treasurer's Report - Greg Younker

Greg presented information regarding opportunities for Big and Little Trade Lakes to be their own Association or Lake District. He gave reasons for more visibility with Burnett County and with the Rivers and Lakes Association. He encouraged people to become involved and step up to help as he is transitioning out of Treasurer by September.

No Newsletter was sent to Round Lake residents this year.

Membership has seen an increase in Big and Little Trade Lakes with Big Trade at 28% and Little at 38%. The Association bank account is at \$25000.

Grant Information

Greg reiterated that the grant was denied this spring by the DNR and explained the reason of why the Association continues to ask for money if no projects are planned, with main reason being upfront payment to DNR before grant money is given to the Association.

Bylaws Housekeeping

Janelle Moe introduced what changes should take place for the better of the Association Bylaws, explaining that these were established in 1974. The changes must be submitted to U of W Stevens Point to qualify our group as a Lake Association.

- 1. Removing all references to Long Trade Lake and Round Lake.
- 2. Change Big and Little Trade to same year vote rather than one in an odd year and one in an even year.
- 3. Change the Fall Meeting time to accommodate residents while they still have their lake property open for the season.
- 4. Change the Spring Meeting time to fall within a certain period to be more flexible and accommodate residents.

The vote by residents in attendance passed unanimously.

Weed Removal Service with Schools

Janelle is contacting schools, in the area, to inquire about partnering with their athletic departments or organized groups to see if students would clean resident lakeshore in exchange for donations to their athletics programs. The cost is still being worked out, but the fee would be tax deductible and the transaction would be a private transaction

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between the property owner and the school- no Association involvement at all. She is waiting to hear back from the Frederic Athletics Director.

Rivers and Lakes Newsletter

Greg Yonker also asked if individual businesses were interested in advertising in the Rivers and Lakes Newsletter to contact him.

CAFO Update

Rick Painter presented a CAFO update. Governor Evers recently vetoed a bill that was introduced by the CAFO. The present permit for the CAFO to apply for building approval has expired and for a proposal to be introduced again, they would have to reapply and start from the beginning of the process. While Rick stated this was good news, he encouraged everyone to stay diligent. With that, it was motioned and seconded for the Association to donate \$1000 for billboards around the area to inform residents and tourists to the area about CAFO's. The vote was unanimously yes to donate.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Lori Taylor