

Friends of Silver Lake Board Meeting Minutes

February 20, 2024

Call to Order: 7:32 PM ET

Present: Hayden, Elrod, Byl, Simons, Dodge

Absent: Reece

February 2024 Board Meeting Minutes (2/20/24) - Motion to approve August 2023 board meeting meetings as presented by Elrod, second by Simons. Motion carries.

Old Business –

- **Review Need for Board Assignments**

Hayden opened the discussion regarding board assignments or reassignments. Simons expressed interest in assisting with the Bike Paths.

- State Orgs
- Local Orgs
- Community Orgs

- **Holiday Appeal Results**

Hayden opened discussion on the organization's holiday appeal report. 9 checks were received and generated \$1,645 deposited and donation letters distributed to those who contributed.

- **2023 Silver Lake Annual Management Report**

Review of the report provided by Dr. Jen which has been placed on the FoSL website ([Silver Lake 2023 Water Quality/202 Management Recommendations Report with Biochar Efficiency Results.](#))

New Business –

- **MI Lakes and Streams Assn Membership**

Hayden opened the discussion around the [Michigan Lakes and Streams Association](#). Motion by Byle for FoSL to become an [associate membership](#) for the expense of \$50 per year, Second by Elrod. Motion carries.

- **2024 Carp Cull Tournament**

Brief review of last year's carp cull activities and if there is any interest by the board to proceed forward with a carp cull tournament. Byl to connect with the Silver Lake Improvement Board to determine what they're doing this year. FoSL board is interested in considering an event. Hayden to send communications to the appropriate parties on special permitting that might be needed.

- **'Silver Lake Legacy' - 2024 Effort**

Silver Lake Legacy is based on the opportunity to encourage individual property owners to maintain their septic systems through a three (3) step process:

- First - "know what you've got" with the opportunity to have these resources assembled for distribution at the FoSL annual meeting.

- **Annual Meeting prep**

Golden Twp. Park has been reserved for June 22, 2024. Communications are to be distributed by Hayden to local and state organizations who would be interested to attend.

- **2024 Boat Parade**

Board discussion on the 2024 boat parade held on Silver Lake and this is to move forward as usually planned.

- **General Board Discussion**

- ORV Ordinance - Information dated 8/27/23 on the Golden Twp. website on whether ORVs were practical to operate on the roadsides. Open discussion on if this is a good move for the township and/or county; awaiting public comment.
- Little Sable Lighthouse is 150yrs old in 2024... The Sable Point Lighthouse Keepers Association is looking at fundraising for support for advancements. Dodge to follow-up with board on information.

Adjournment: 8:41 PM ET