Lake of the Woods Improvement Association Board of Directors Meeting via Zoom January 28, 2023

Present: Bob Richter, Greg Moss, Marcia Ellis, Dawn Kortum, Julie Nosal, Brian Rajzer, Nick Virgilio Absent: Tom Connelly, Mike Lyons

- 1. Minutes of the July 16, 2022 meeting were approved.
- 2. Financial Report from Greg Moss: Greg reviewed the year end report and the 2023 budget. He noted increases in several areas due to rising cost of postage, foods, etc. Motion carried to accept the budget.

3. Committee Reports

- a. Membership Committee. Greg reported we have 112 paid members. He notes membership is down. He suggests we distribute door hangers this spring. All agreed this would be a good plan to implement.
- b. Riparian Issues. Bob reported that Hamilton Township is looking for a new building and electrical inspectors.

4. New Business

- a. Bob has made corrections to the 2023 dues newsletter. Greg and Dawn will complete the task of mailing them.
- b. Picnic and Annual Membership Meeting is on July 15th, 2023. It will be held at the VFW Pavilion. Bob also reserved Red Wolfe Park as a back up in case of rain and booked the VFW for catering the food for the picnic.
- c. Elections: Bob Richter, Marcia Ellis and Brian Rajzer are up for re-election in July. Marcia announced she will not be seeking re-election this year.
- d. Mute swan issue: We would need 70% of the lake residents to agree that the swans should be eliminated from the lake. Since this is highly unlikely this matter is considered closed for now.
- e. Other activities:
 - i. July 4th town parade Dawn will represent LOWIA in the town parade with her friends. She will make a banner.
 - ii. Boat parade to be determined at a later date depending on the Village fireworks display date.
 - iii. Fireworks LOWIA is contributing \$500 this year
- f. Buoy installation and maintenance is the responsibility of Hamilton Township. They removed the buoys last fall. They are currently stored at High's Marine.
- g. Facebook: Dawn will post the annual newsletter to Facebook.
- h. Greg has not yet received an answer to his query to Jay Newell about our liability insurance coverage. We would like to sponsor some events this summer. Greg will try to contact Jay Newell again.
- i. Dawn volunteered to coordinate a poker run. She also suggested we sponsor a clean-up day at the Lake with an island party to follow.
- 5. Meeting was adjourned.