



**CHISAGO LAKES AREA RECREATION ASSOCIATION  
Minutes of the May 17, 2023 Board Meeting**

**PRESENT:**

Joe Bjelland, Nicole Larsen, Tom Lawlor, Amanda Farrell, Cory Lindgren, Brian Marquardt, Leslie Schrul, Alex Turk, Tony Walker, Jim West, Jay Brown, Pete Lawrence, Peter Leadholm, Mallory Holmen, Dan Twohy, Jonathan Wrolstad.

Board members present are indicated with an underline.

Jim called the meeting to order at 7:34 PM

**AGENDA**

The agenda was adopted on a motion by Leslie . Second by Peter. Motion passes.

**GUESTS**

None

**REVIEW OF MEETING MINUTES**

Feb amended minutes, March amended minutes & April minutes were approved on a motion by Tony . Second by Leslie. Motion passes.

**TREASURER'S REPORT (as of May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023)**

- Checking Balance: \$356,974.88
- Cash on hand: \$0
- CD Balance: \$43,742.88
- March P/L: \$45,017.09
- Fiscal Year P/L: \$78,980.36
- Credit Card Balance - \$2,447.56

The Treasurer's Report was approved on a motion by Alex . Second by Peter. Motion passes.

**GAMBLING MANAGER'S REPORT (as of May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023)**

Account balance: \$33,446.39

EFTs-\$25,765.37

- \$175.20 MN Revenue – State tax withholding
- \$13,154.00 MN Revenue – February Gaming Tax
- \$747.82 IRS – Payroll Tax
- \$7,413.56 Three Diamond
- \$4,274.79 Electronic Gaming System



### **Allowable Expenses**

Estimated allowable expenses in the amount up to \$22,000 was approved on a motion by Leslie. Second by Mallory. Motion passes.

### **Lawful Purpose**

No lawful purpose for the month of May.

The Gambling Manager's Report was approved on a motion by Leslie. Second by Peter. Motion passes.

### **BASKETBALL**

Season has ended. Will Plan to schedule try outs in the off season.

### **SOCCER**

Around 260 kids registered so far.

Jonathan will be meeting with a parent who has volunteered to help coordinator with him.

Small issue with Craig Stockel getting his reimbursement check for the scheduling software in a timely manner. Craig has now received his check.

Jonathan will email Joe Bjelland to send a LARA Blast announcing registration is open.

### **REC VOLLEYBALL**

Nothing to report.

### **TRAVELING VOLLEYBALL**

Some girls stated interest in a summer program. However, not enough interest at any age levels.

However, Mallory will look into the potential of skill specific camps during the summer. End of the season meeting with coaches went well. Positive feedback all around.

### **FLAG FOOTBALL**

Nothing to report.

### **LACROSSE**

Girls registration closing end of this week.

Boys teams have been split into two teams at the 14u level.

Boys season is underway

### **TRAVELING SOFTBALL**

Season is going very well. 10u tournament last weekend and 12u tournament will be this coming week.

All should run smoothly

Leslie brought up proposal from Softball Boosters to help finish the crows nest. Continued discussion.

Cory brought up the question of if we can donate directly to a HS Boosters account; discussion tabled.

### **TRAVELING BASEBALL**

Season is going along. Total of 9 teams.

Another call from Shafer township as well as Ron Kimlinger regarding the dust from the dirt road out to Shafer Yards field. Alex submitted a proposed for each homeowner to cover 200ft of the gravel road in front of each homeowners house and LARA would do the rest of the road to the field. Alex estimated LARA would have to pay for approx 800 feet if all homeowners agreed to his proposal. Still waiting to hear from the homeowners.



### **REC BASEBALL & SOFTBALL**

550 kids registered for in house.

Ki-Chi-Saga has two fields that have been expanded and can now play Majors games on those fields.

Saints game is up to 75 tickets sold. Game is June 11th.

Tony will take the lead to sign LARA up for the two local parades. Mallory will also help in that. Spread the word to include all LARA sports.

### **COMMUNITY ED**

Cory will be attending next weeks meeting. Asked if there is anything he needs to address, to email him the suggestions.

### **WEBSITE**

Nothing to report.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

-Discussed how to handle the potential of losing the gambling site at the Chisago Lakes Golf Course. Leslie has spoken with the manager and tried to plea for forgiveness and stated that we are in the process of hiring a new gambling manager. The golf course has stated they would like to move forward with change of association for their gambling. They would like to use Lakes Center for Youth and Families. Only option now is to attend Lindstrom City Council meeting and try to explain the situation, in hopes that the new association will not be approved. Leslie will attend the May 18th meeting on behalf of LARA, if anyone else is available to attend with her.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Gambling:** Tom is retiring in November. Recommend anyone from current board volunteer to learn process or find someone interested. Pay is salaried based on number of sites and types of gambling conducted. Pete Lawrence mentioned he might be interested and would like to learn more about the job duties and software that could be used.

### **NEXT MEETING**

Next meeting will be Wednesday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023 at 7:00pm at the WCC Meeting Room.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The May meeting was adjourned at 9:07pm on a motion by Peter. Second by Leslie.