



## CHISAGO LAKES AREA RECREATION ASSOCIATION Minutes of the April 19, 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 7:07 PM.

### AGENDA

The agenda was adopted on a motion by Nicole. Second by Jay. Motion passes.

### GUESTS

Mike Ritter, Kevin Anderson – CL Fastpitch Softball

Chisago Lakes Fastpitch are asking for a \$5,000 donation to reimburse expenses to complete a crow's nest on top of the Varsity Softball dugout that will be used for announcing, storage, filming, and possibly guests watching games. They have secured most of the funding for the shell building through boosters and sponsors, but are asking \$5,000 for electricity, interior finishings, window safety coverings, speaker mounts, and other costs to complete the process. Discussion was had regarding the use of the concessions building and where all of the proceeds from tournaments go, as LARA used to make a significant amount in past years from these tournaments. LARA has not seen any kickback from these youth tournaments the past couple years, so and the donation was not approved.

### REVIEW OF MEETING MINUTES

March minutes were approved on a motion via email by Amanda. Second by Brian. Motion passes.

### TREASURER'S REPORT (as of March 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 via email by Amanda. Second by Brian. Motion passes.

### GAMBLING MANAGER'S REPORT (as of March 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 \$30,000 was approved on a motion by Pete Lawrence. Second by Mallory. Motion passes.

### **Lawful Purpose**

Gold Star - \$19,145.35 (In House Baseball/Softball uniforms)

Lawful purpose expense approved on a motion by Cory via email. Second by Mallory. Motion passes.

The Northern had a \$12,000 electronic bingo winner recently.

The Gambling Manager's Report was approved on a motion via email by Pete Lawrence. Second by Mallory. Motion passes.

### **BASKETBALL**

Will be putting on our 2<sup>nd</sup> year of Intro to Basketball at Lakeside, Primary, and Taylors Falls on May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>.

### **SOCCER**

Still looking for refs for the league, will be getting registration set up soon.

### **REC VOLLEYBALL**

Nothing to report.

### **TRAVELING VOLLEYBALL**

Had a great season. 4 teams competed well throughout the year. Mallory has had parents ask about summer clinics and a summer team, and parents are willing to help on the committee as well. There is a video montage of pictures from each team from the season on the website to culminate the season. The biggest complaint she had was the practices and how many times they were moved and canceled.

### **FLAG FOOTBALL**

Nothing to report.

### **LACROSSE**

Boys have started practicing. Games start next weekend. Girls sign-ups are currently open. Had Intro to Lacrosse Clinic – 40 kids participated.

### **TRAVELING SOFTBALL**

No update

### **TRAVELING BASEBALL**

Practices are going on, games have been scheduled for the teams. Will need to send schedule to ump coordinator. Pete Lawrence is working on getting fields prepped and ready to go. Ag lime needs to be spread at some of the fields. Paradise also said they would help with the process. Uniforms should be shipped May 3<sup>rd</sup>, the boys can use their undershirts until they come in.



### **REC BASEBALL & SOFTBALL**

Registration is closed, down 60 kids from last year. Will only allow a few more 5th and 6th grade boys and as for 5th and 6th grade girls and 7th to 9th grade girls, we again will form 2 combined teams. Will except more registrations.

Equipment pick up next Friday April 28, will be outside the Varsity ball field. If inclement weather, we will use hockey arena lobby. Will need a truck and/or trailer to bring stuff over. Brian has the hand out times by league.

Pictures will May 15th to the 18th, outside the hockey arena. Inside if there is bad weather.

We gained back Primary 1 and 2 fields. We are allowed to make a field or fields for t-ball at the middle school. Brian thought we could a one at Ki Chi as well.

Tony will send to Brian and Peter the fields by league for games and practices late tonight. I will try to have the field scheduler open late tonight so Brian and Peter can reserve fields for games. Once we have all fields reserved for games, we can open it up for the coaches. Maybe this weekend, Sunday night the latest?

Tony would like to replace a few keypad locks on the jobsite boxes at the fields. If we have an extra box, would like to place another at Ki Chi.

Would still like to be in the Karl Oscar Days parade, each sport representing.

Spread the word about Saints League Outing on June 11.

Umpire Clinic occurred on April 1<sup>st</sup>, 14 kids showed up.

### **COMMUNITY ED**

Pete Leadholm offered to represent the board at the Community Ed meetings.

### **WEBSITE**

Nothing to report.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

-The Chisago Lakes Grill is moving to switch charitable gambling organizations from LARA to Lakes Center for Youth & Families which they stated was due to "inconsistencies". Lindstrom City Council will be voting on approval at their next meeting on Thursday May 18, 2023.

### **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.

-Trap team donation was discussed, request denied.

### **NEXT MEETING**

Next meeting will be Wednesday, May 17, 2023 at 7:30pm at Chisago Lakes Arena. (WCC not available next month) Amanda will confirm availability.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The April meeting was adjourned at 9pm on a motion by Amanda. Second by Nicole. Motion passes.