



Meeting Minutes February 7, 2011

Present: Ed Timm, Cassie Alley, Tim Fisher, Anne Donohue, Sarah Greene, Bill Lovis, Dave Trumpie. Also present were members Glenn Till and Mark Alley.

Called to order by President Fisher

Agenda additions: None

Minutes: 1-10-2011 meeting minutes approved

Old business: None

New Business

1. Elected Ed Timm Vice President
2. Financial report from Dave
Nothing to report. No activity since last month.
3. Revise the manual to reflect current key policy
Discussion regarding whether we should change the locks on the boat house every year. Decided no, but we should post signage that the boathouse is for members only. Mark Alley will find language and email it to Tim. The manual has been revised and posted to the web site.
4. Update on running water to the boathouse
Tim contacted BWL. We need a site plan and a tax ID number. We already have a tax ID number, but it needs to be located. The cost will be \$4,815 if BWL does everything. The excavating cost is \$2,200. Tim knows someone who may be willing to donate his labor to do the excavation. A 1" hook up costs \$1,000. \$19/foot from the road to the building, about 30 feet to the boathouse; \$570. Restoration cost is \$845. To put in a meter and set the meter is \$200. \$75 inspection fee if our contractor does the work. Tim's plumber also suggested putting in a waste water line even if we don't use it right away.
This project will cost more than expected. Tim will get his contractor to look at the site and give us some advice/estimates.
Contributions for this project are welcome, but they are not tax deductible. Bill wants water in the boathouse so he can bring in his espresso machine, so please give generously!
5. LTR update & advertising
The Learn to Row dates are set. Cassie submitted the ad to the Lansing Parks and Rec. We can put a business card size ad in Healthy & Fit for \$150. Board voted to spend \$300 to put the ad in the April and May issues. Capital Gains will do a photo story on LTR. Mark Alley suggested contacting morning radio shows to see if any of them would like to do a story on LTR. We can put up flyers at the MAC. The Y does not allow flyers. Perhaps put up flyers at Sparrow Hospital. Bill contacted the Lansing State Journal about a year and a half ago and they were not interested in doing a story on LTR at that time.

6. Discussion of fund appropriation for LTR advertising
Board approved spending \$300 to advertise in Healthy & fit
7. Update web site with 2011 information
Ed will update the Learn to Row information as well as the manual and the contacts page.
8. LRC dash board for 2011
What do we want to accomplish this year?
Increase membership
Repair or replace roof
What kind of equipment do we want to get?
Tim would like to add limestone to the floor of the boathouse since it will crush down and get really hard, almost like concrete.
Discussion ensued about the budget and whether we have a contingency fund. If our annual budget is approximately \$16,000 we should put aside about 20% for emergencies. We may also want to establish a maintenance fund so we don't have to pay for the expense of something like replacing the roof in a single year.
We would like to increase membership, but we need to be mindful of the saturation point. Do we know how many members we can support?
We will discuss the budget and project priorities at our next meeting. Dave will bring how money we have and what our yearly expenses are.
9. Inspiration—project by Rotary. They asked Dave to ask us if we want to donate to their art project (they're putting a piece of art near the City Market downtown). While that is a lovely idea and the board thought it would foster good will, the amount we could contribute would not be significant enough to have any impact. But the board is open to discussing giving to other projects in the future.

Pending

1. Safety - No wake awareness, add signage @ launch site —Tim
2. Refinishing and re-organization of the club oars—Tim
3. Price roofing options for boat house - Tim
4. The boat stored outside the boat house - Cassie
5. Remove remaining trash form behind boat house – Tim, Eddie & Dave

FUTURE VISION OF THE CLUB – Suggestions Received

- *Floor* - Put a different floor in the boat house
- *Add a foot path to the dock*
- *Pave drive to boathouse*