

AGENDA
FISH HOOK LAKE & RIVER ASSOCIATION
July 6, 2024
'the back room' 3rd Street Market & Café 120 3rd St West 9:00 AM

Mission Statement

The Fish Hook Lake & River Association shall be an advocate of the environment of our lake/river systems. We shall be a partner with other lake associations and agencies which have an impact on water quality. We shall act as an educator in community understanding of the issues and goals of our association. The objectives of our efforts are better water quality and property values for everyone. As a group, we have a stronger voice than as separate individuals.

1. Greeting and Welcome

Gary Smith, President welcomed everyone and presented the meeting agenda as follows:

Attendees: Gary Smith, Tom Harmon, Scott Gingerich, Jim Spencer, Paul Thompson, Jim Knox and Gwen Zent

Agenda:

2. Greeting and Welcome – Gary Smith - President

3. Board Members present:

- i. Gwen Zent – Secretary
- ii. Jim Spencer – Vice-President
- iii. Scott Gingerich – Treasurer & Hubbard County COLA Representative
- iv. Tom Harmon – Board Member
- v. Paul Thompson – Board Member
- vi. Jim Know – Board Member

4. Review Minutes June Meeting

5. Financial Update (Scott) as of July 2nd, 2024

- a. General Account Balance - \$20,323.81
- b. Environmental Account- \$3155.85
- c. City Account- \$3803.42
- d. Membership - 72

6. COLA Report (Gary) Summary

- a. Main presentation Northern Waters Land Trust
- b. Watershed based conservation (preserve land and protect water)
- c. Primary protection methods
 - i. Conservation Easements
 - ii. Land Sales/Donations
 - iii. Community Engagement (some Lake Associations buy land)
- d. August 15, 2024, Workshop for Lake Associations
 - i. 2-3 association representatives
 - ii. Idea is to spur development of conservation committees

- iii. Conservation Committee looks for areas deserving conservation/protection
- 7. Old Business
 - a. Annual Meeting (Jim, Gwen)
 - i. Heartland Park Shelter – July 13th – 5pm – 8pm
 - ii. Food catered by Main Stream Meets – pulled pork and calico beans
 - iii. Board members come at 4:30 to set up
 - b. Fall Dinner
 - i. September 13th at the Good Life Cafe
 - c. AIS Management Plan –
 - i. FHLARA has a lake management plan from the past that is a great starting point to review and if grants are needed, President Gary Smith has grant writing experience and can facilitate the process.
- 8. New Business
 - a. Boat Parade Report
 - i. 21 boats participated
 - ii. Denny Ulmer was gracious to play patriotic songs on his Tuba.
 - iii. Great participation by lake folks dressed up in patriotic costumes waving as the Flotilla went by
 - iv. Pictures posted on the FHLARA Facebook page
 - v. Feedback was to announce which direction the Flotilla was going when coming out of the river and drive at a more consistent speed
- 9. Next Meeting August 3, 2024
 - a. August Meeting is elections meeting for officers
- 10. Motion to Adjourn
 - a. Tom Harmon motioned to adjourn, Paul Thompson 2nd the motion

Respectfully submitted by
Gwen Zent FHLARA Board Secretary