

AGENDA
FISH HOOK LAKE & RIVER ASSOCIATION
August 3, 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

2. 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

3. Review Minutes July Meeting

4. Financial Update (Scott) as of 2024

- a. General Account Balance - \$19,810.92
- b. Environmental Account- \$3,156.75
- c. City Account- \$3913.42
- d. Expenses paid
 - i. Haas Printing Newsletter \$800.71 vs last year \$978.87
 - ii. Food for Annual Meeting \$410.51 vs las year \$266.84
- e. Membership – 86
- f. Added a history page and Lake Management Plan to the FHLARA website

5. COLA Report (Gary) Summary

- a. Presentation by Dr. Bruce Carlson -author and former fisheries biologist
- b. Overview of how the lake is put together – various levels or descriptions such as littoral (near shore,) Photic/Pelagix (open water), Thermocline, Aphotic/Benthic (Deep Water)
- c. Explained relationships between these and what we see in weed development and fish cycles with a good description of a ' food pyramid in a lake 'AIS – Zebra Mussels (Side Note – we have tested for Villagers in most recent water sampling)

6. Old Business

- a. Fall Dinner

- i. September 13th at the Good Life Café at 5pm
 - b. 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.
- 7. New Business
 - a. Elections
 - i. President
 - 1. Gwen Zent nominated Gary Smith – Scott Gingerich 2nd the motion
 - ii. Vice President
 - 1. Jim Spencer is stepping down and will hold Board position until Spring
 - 2. Jim Knox volunteered to be Vice President – Scott Gingerich 2nd the motion
 - iii. Secretary
 - 1. Gwen Zent
 - iv. Treasurer
 - 1. Scott Gingerich – Tom Harmon 2nd the motion
- President Gary Smith – asked all in favor to say ‘Aye’. Voting was unanimous ‘Aye’
- 8. General
 - a. Checking on AIS Stations
 - b. Sunny Shores – invite to their Tuesday Coffee at 9:00AM, brief presentation on FHLARA
 - c. Former Status as a 501C3 dropped sometime around 2015
- 9. Next Meeting September 7, 2024
 - a. Invite to Kevin Brauer (former President of Potato Lake Assn) topics including
 - i. Potato Lake endowment, etc.
- 10. Jim Spencer made a recommendation for a future speaker – Steve Manna (sp?)
- 11. Motion to Adjourn
 - a. President Gary Smith motioned to adjourn, Board Member Paul Thompson 2nd the motion

Respectfully submitted by
Gwen Zent FHLARA Board Secretary