

AGENDA & Meeting Minutes for June 1st Meeting

FISHHOOK LAKE & RIVER ASSOCIATION June 1st, 2024 Meeting

Location: 3rd Street Market

FISHHOOK ASSOCIATION MISSION STATEMENT:

The Fishhook Lake and River Association shall be an advocate of the environment of our lake/river system. 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 & Welcome

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

Attendees: Gary Smith, Tom Harmon, Scott Gingerich and Gwen Zent

Agenda:

- Greeting and Welcome – Gary Smith - President
- Board Members present:
 - Gwen Zent – Secretary
 - Scott Gingerich – Treasurer & Hubbard County COLA Representative
 - Tom Harmon – Board Member
- Review and Approve May 2024 meeting notes
- Financial Update and Membership year-to-date Scott Gingerich, Treasurer
 - a. General Account Balance: \$17,550.08
 - b. Environmental Account: \$3114.92
 - c. City Account: \$2163.42
- Membership Report – Scott Gingerich, Treasurer
 - Current membership number is 7.
- COLA update – Gary Smith
 - COLA - Active More communication – emails, one printed newsletter, electronic newsletter
 - May meeting – some focus on resorts and get AIS information to the resources.
2 new invasive species

- a. Single Crayfish – in lakes in other areas
- b. Jumping Worms
- c. Chinese Mystery Snails

Shoreline buffer program – still available

Forest restoration program

Grant applications – for invasive species

Lake Monitoring – Fishhook lake is at peak lake level right now

- Old Business
 - Dates for Annual Meeting and Fall Dinner
 - Annual Meeting July 13, 2024 – Facebook event created on the Fishhook Lake & River Page
 - 5pm – 8pm
 - Venue – Heartland Park
 - Have Mainstream Meats to cater again.
 - Folks to bring a side dish to share.
 - July 4th Flotilla – 2pm - Facebook event created on the Fishhook Lake & River Page
 - Fall Dinner Sept 14, 2024
 - Gary Smith will talk to Jim Spencer to organize and reserve the Good Life
- New Business
 - Update on spring newsletter – complete to printer for final step
 - Membership Flyers
 - More Information?
 - Color/Professionally Printed?
 - Topics for General Emails in June, July, August and September (Co Authors invited!!)
 - Weeds ,Early Ice Out, 4th of July Parade and Annual Meeting
 - AIS – What are aquatic invasive species?
 - What is Secchi Measurement – Why does it matter? – discussion of our water quality
 - Other thoughts?
 - Photo Contest
 - Draft to consider – monthly event – photos should be bases on Fish Hook Lake and River environment.
 - Submit photos via FHLARA email by the end of each month. All June entries for example will need to be submitted by the last day in June. Submission permists FHLARA to post on Facebook and website with credit to photographer.
 - Photo categories: Family fun, Wildlife, Fish, Natural Plants/Vegetation.
 - Decision by Subcommittee of Board members – timing?
 - Other ideas:
 - Social Activities – coffee/conversation on Saturday Morning Drop in dinner opportunity?
 - Information Packet for new owners/members
 - AIS Management Plan
 - Periodic text - group texts
- Next Meeting July 6, 2024

- **Motion to Adjourn**
- Tom Harmon made the motion for the meeting to adjourn. President Gary Smith asked all in favor – Vote was unanimous.
 - Respectfully submitted by Gwen Zent- Secretary