**Annual** PLLA Member’s meeting, Saturday, July 18, 2020

* Took place at the Ball Diamond to provide for social distancing.
* 10:00amElicia Feasel rang the bells at Community Hall to continue the tradition and Jeremy Blazek brought the meeting to order at the Ball Field.
	+ Alex Mason was the only Board Member absent due to work schedule.
* Jeremy led Pledge of Allegiance
* Announced three positions were open on the Board due to terms being up. Elections will be held later in the meeting.
* **Secretary**, Roxy Pavey read the Annual Meeting notes from June 15, **2019.**
	+ Jeremy motioned to accept minutes as read. All approved.
* **Treasurer**’s Report was read by Teri Smith.
	+ Discussion.
		- Motion by Jeremy to accept. All approved.
* **Grounds Superintendent Report** was given by **E**licia Feasel.
	+ New violation discovered at very South end of property. Appears trees & brush cut down from neighboring beach improvement was put on PLLA property.
		- Need volunteers to help clean up this area.
	+ Volunteers for Grounds Maintenance.
		- Elicia is the conduit for improvements homeowners would like to see.
			* An Approval Form must be completed by residents before they are allowed to do any maintenance work on PLLA/Trust property. The Approval Form will be reviewed by the Board for acceptance or denial based on the Conservation Trust Agreement rules & guidelines.
			* Board has a lot of ground maintenance to be done but not enough volunteers.
			* Recognized Jim Hoos and Adam Kieszkowski for the tremendous amount of time they have volunteered to mow the Park and Ball Field. It was agreed they deserve some compensation as a gift of appreciation for their time and materials. Bob Pavey was also recognized for his willingness to help with grounds maintenance.
		- Most non-permitted items on PLLA boat slip area have been removed.
			* Jeremy made motion to accept reports. 2nd by Teri Smith.

All approved.

**Communications**

* Nick Grover was applauded for the great job he has done setting up the new **website**  **plla.org**
	+ Nick mentioned the Bylaws, Trust Conservation Agreement, and Boat Slip Rules are available to read on the website. He would also like to post Annual Meeting Notes, Financials, photos, events, and historical photos/information.
		- Anyone with current photos or historical photos & information are encouraged to contact Nick. His contact information is available on the plla.org website in addition to other board members contact information.
* Teri Smith reported letters have been sent to dock owners regarding sharing ½ their slip.
	+ Bolanowski seawall letter request has been received and approved by Board.
* Elicia reported Trust Violation Report has been received and Trust recommendation is for the violated area to be cleaned up. This is very good news for the PLLA as at one point it was estimated we may have to pay up to $30,000 for restoration of the violated area.
* Discussion regarding the need for the swimming area to be roped off for swimmers safety.
	+ Also suggested more buoys need to be placed due to boats not following the idle speed within 200 feet of shore.
		- Board will need to look into budgeting money for more buoys
* Jeremy made a motion to accept Communications. All approved.

**Unfinished Business**

* Replacement of No Parking signs at Bluff/Park area
	+ Members agree this is a very dangerous area with people speeding around the corner.
		- Could speed bumps be installed by county?
		- Increased police patrol in this area to catch speeders
* Board would like to build Kayak Rack for residents to utilize
	+ Kayak owners would be responsible for securing kayak to rack with their own locks
	+ Boat slips can be used for paddle boats
		- Could two people rent one side for two paddle boats?
* Community member, Bob Betcher, suggested turning Fishing Pier into more Boat Slips.
* Discussion regarding the historical way of leasing dock slips is confusing.
	+ One person goes to expense of building & installing a dock
		- It does not seem fair they have to share the other side of the dock with someone else who has not contributed to the cost of the dock and only has to pay $250 for ½ slip.
		- Meanwhile, the dock owner/builder has to pay $250 to rent one side of his dock or $500 for both and has incurred the expense of building the dock
			* Jeremy Blazek made a **motion to create a Dock Owners Committee**(Per Bylaw 3.10) **.** Joanie Mathis seconded motion. All approved.
				+ Dock Owners Committee will have members recommended by the PLLA Board.
				+ The Dock Owners Committee will report to PLLA Board.
				+ Dock Owners Committee has no authority to make any changes to rules or slip configuration.
				+ Dock Owners Committee will research & present ideas to PLLA Board for consideration.

**New Business**

* Member questioned what can be done about trouble some residents of brown rental cause.
* Another member wondered if we have a list of residents within our Community so we can know who our neighbors are.
* **Enhanced patrols**
	+ Board was asked why an off duty officer was hired instead of just asking for extra patrols since our tax dollars already pay for police protection.
		- Officer Burger is not only a County Police Officer but also a Marine Patrol Officer.
		- Explanation was given of reasons we felt off-duty was necessary.
			* Being somewhat secluded, we do not want our area to become known as the perfect area for illegal activities as has happened in the past few years.
			* Underage (some 15 year olds & possibly older) drinking was taking place on the beach after hours and in the woods.
				+ Youths left their trash as evidence
				+ Same youths were involved with the beating of another youth on Holton Road
				+ Different youths were caught in a car by the Fishing Pier smoking marijuana.
				+ We were able to narrow down the hours these parties were taking place.

The County Police could not guarantee their officers would be available to patrol these areas at those times due to importance of other calls

Even if we call 911 we may not get an immediate response due to La Porte County being so big, Officers have large areas to patrol.

Board felt having an officer on duty for us only during certain times & making his presence known in the Community would be a good deterrent for troublemakers to go elsewhere.

* + - * + Due to donations specific for Enhanced Patrol, half of this expense came from PLLA funds. We do not anticipate the need for future private duty officers unless problems arise.
		- Since having the off duty officer on patrol for a few weekends we have not had any problems.

**Elections**

* Three positions are open on the Board due to terms being up. The people whose terms are up are: Elicia Feasel, Nick Grover, & Lou King.
	+ Roxy Pavey nominated Elicia Feasel, Nick Grover, & Lou King.
	+ Floor was opened for further nominations.
		- Jim Willford volunteered he would like to run.
		- No other nominations were made.
	+ Ballots were counted by Lou King and Kenzie Covarrubias.
		- Elicia Feasel 28
		- Nick Grover 26
		- Lou King 32
		- Jim Willford 12
	+ Bob Betcher questioned why we only had 9 Board Members when the Bylaws allow for up to 15, According to Section 3.02.
	+ Decision was made for Jim Willford to become the 10th Board Member.
* Adjournment quickly made at 12:10pm due to length of meeting ( 2+ hours) heat and commitments to be elsewhere by Board Members.