

approved

The Lodge Committee

Meeting Minutes

June 10, 2024

Meeting called to order at 5:41 PM

In attendance: John Root, Judy Weichel, Vicki Burk, Brenda Ries, Frank Miller, Deb Brewer, Marsha Walmer. Jazmine Snide and Nena Geary joined about 6:30.

John motioned to approve prior meeting minutes from May 2024. Brenda seconded. All in favor. Prior minutes approved. Judy will sign them and deliver to the office.

Treasurer's Report – Total cash in all Santander accounts as of 5/31/24 (including petty cash of \$868) is \$9,426.94. Petty cash has now increased by \$100 to allow for the concession stand. As of 6/10/24 the total cash is \$8,395.66. The lodge netted a loss in May in the amount of -\$183.03. The fees increased for the handhelds. Deb suggested Vicki check with Mike Gallagher since she seems to think we have a 3 year contract and there shouldn't be any price increases during that time. The checks currently outstanding in the amount of \$7,944.37 represent payrolls. Payroll checks were given to the office, but they are slow to negotiate the checks, therefore still outstanding. The music and entertainment expense was \$96 for trivia, including prizes. There was no Karaoke in May. The furniture and equipment charge for \$254.38 was for a hot-dog roller and will be re-categorized to concession supplies. Overall, the bar and restaurant still outsold the cost of inventory and generated a nice profit but the overall expenses were greater for May, thus netting a small loss. YTD shows the lodge at a profit of \$969.11.

Kitchen Report – Staffing – Marsha indicated by the end of June, she will be down severely with servers. Two of the college girls she was planning on using have accepted internships, and will no longer be available. Another server requested the summer off. Hopefully she will return in the fall. Taylor likes the kitchen work best, but Marsha will need her on the floor. Possibility of scheduling the committee members to step in and help as we have in the past.

John is interested in hiring professional cleaners for the kitchen. Deb indicated they would be a specialty group and pretty pricey. Deb is also going to look for an 'end of night' checklist for duties and responsibilities.

The new Bain Marie arrived. Frank indicated it has a much bigger cutting board area, but as a result, he has lost 6 bins. They will adjust what goes where, and it will work ok.

Bar Report – Brief discussion on the drink specials on clover. It was determined the bartenders should only concern themselves with a price point only, since the inventory is not tracked for liquor using the clover system

Bar décor bingo is scheduled for June 23– Deb suggested we reach out to Jill Grickis for more prizes. She probably has lots of inventory she will be happy to provide or sell at a reasonable price.

There is now a bookshelf for family games, and the lodge is still accepting more.

Committee Size – There was discussion regarding updating the charter for the lodge. John proposed it happens A.S.A.P. Everyone at the meeting who has not completed an application did so, and handed it to John. Assuming the committee is able to officially grow, he anticipates the office sending out a notification to the community at large, and anyone who is interested in volunteering will also complete the same application. Then all our data, experience and what we ‘bring to the table’ will be entered into a spreadsheet (without our names) and a blind vote will occur. The hope is that the committee will grow, however, there will be non-voting committee members since the number of voting members will not change.

Concession Stand - John purchased a BJ’s membership. Anything can be delivered to the lodge for a \$10 fee. The Hotdog roller, freezer, beverage cooler and food warmer have all been purchased. It was discussed and determined that the dry foods should be placed in plastic totes for safe keeping. Also, the chocolate should be kept in a cooler so it doesn’t melt. Training for the concession stand will be June 12, and hopefully, open for business after that!

Outside Capital Improvements – Foundation of stone was completed. The concrete is scheduled for June 13<sup>th</sup>, and it will cure over the weekend. The fence will be delivered on June 12<sup>th</sup>, and will hopefully be installed on Monday, June 17<sup>th</sup>. John is then hoping the furniture will be assembled and delivered to the patio by June 20<sup>th</sup>.

### Lodge Events for July

Kids karaoke was fun, although it was more of a dance party than karaoke. Thank you to Marsha and her husband Alan for figuring out the karaoke machine. There are hopes of being able to utilize it more regularly.

There was a lengthy discussion about opening for the holiday weekend – July 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. In previous years, the lodge was always closed and the volunteers wouldn’t be asked to work. This year, John wants to give it another chance. It was determined that Jaz will see if any bartenders want to volunteer. If not, John plans to tend bar either or both nights. Frank doesn’t want to open the kitchen, so only pizza and hotdogs, or possibly a crockpot of chili or pulled pork will be offered. There is hope that the new

patio will be a perfect viewing for the fireworks. John has also hired an acoustic performer for Saturday July 6<sup>th</sup>.

July 13<sup>th</sup> – Civic has a band at the grove. Frank will open the kitchen for take-out only.

July 14<sup>th</sup> - Family bingo is scheduled for 12 - 3

July 17<sup>th</sup> - Volunteer appreciation party – including a white elephant exchange for anyone interested in participating. 5-8 Details to follow

July 19<sup>th</sup> - Karaoke

July 25<sup>th</sup> - Trivia

July 27<sup>th</sup> – love our lakes day. The lakes committee is planning to open the upstairs of the lodge to make a planetarium. Details for clean-up are below.

July 28<sup>th</sup> - Brunch to be offered from 9 – 11:30. Frank and John to organize and run it.

July 28<sup>th</sup> - Family paint and sip. Deb to confirm date with Andrea Perno.

New ideas – Stephen Perno is interested in being hired to sing. He is a 'crooner' type of musician.

Nena wants to bring in Cellar Beast for a wine tasting – possibly in September. Details to be worked out.

Upstairs Clean up – The lodge will have a clean up event for the upstairs on Monday, June 24<sup>th</sup>. This will be for the love our lakes day on July 27<sup>th</sup>. A sign up sheet and social media will be utilized as well as an email blast to get everyone involved. Scheduled for 4:00 pm for anyone interested in helping. To expedite the clean up, Frank knows someone interested in the pool table, and possibly the orange barrel furniture. Hopefully it works out. Deb asked if it should be posted on facebook. Frank and John to follow up with those interested first.

Miscellaneous - Judy mentioned we started a discussion regarding uniforms last month. It was noted that the previous t-shirt uniforms were scratchy and attracted any bit of dust and dirt and really did not look nice by the end of the shift. John proposed the dri-fit type of shirt, and Nena suggested the t-shirts her husband used for his business. No decision at this time. Hopefully samples and pricing to be obtained for a decision in the future.

Proposal for meeting adjourned at 7:34 by John. Deb seconded.  
Next meeting – July 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:30

approved 7/9/2024 by committee -  
J Weichel Secretary.

