

WLPA Meeting Minutes – October 9, 2023

Call to Order

Sue Rath sack called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

Treasurer Report

Account Balances: Checking account balance = \$***** and CD balance = \$*****

YTD Detailed Harvester Expenses:

Fuel = \$*****

Payroll = \$*****

Repairs = \$*****2

Truck Insurance = \$*****

Credit Card Expenses = \$*****

GPS Expenses = \$*****

Harvester Storage and Weed Disposal = \$*****

Sunshine Report

A card will be sent to the family of Bill Brace on behalf of the WLPA

Harvester / Dump Truck Updates

1. A new elevator chain is on order, costing \$*k. Once this repair is completed, no future major repairs are anticipated.
2. It is estimated there is a couple more years of life left on the dump truck. Replacement discussions and planning should start for future budgeting purposes.
3. Discussions on having a spare horizontal cutter made for next season to avoid having to replace one cutter tooth at a time when they break.
4. Dave Thomas is working with the manufacturer of the GPS that was purchased this year on repair issues. Still in process of confirming the issue, and whether it will be covered under warranty.

Treasurer and Secretary Positions

1. The Treasurer position is currently vacant, and Sue Rathsack is temporarily taking over those responsibilities. The Secretary position will be vacant at the end of this year. Anyone who is interested in either of these positions or would like to nominate someone, please contact Sue. The Association would like to have both positions filled by the end of the year.

New Business

1. Sue Rathsack suggested the idea of adding a virtual component to the monthly meetings, such as ZOOM, so individuals that are unable to attend in person can join. This would allow more participation for those who live out of town, etc., and a link to the meeting could be included in the minutes for people to watch. If anyone has expertise in this area, please reach out to Sue to discuss ideas.
2. Keith LeComte mentioned that Chuck Goetz suggested setting up a Go Fund Me page for the WLPA for people to make donations. This would require the page to be shared on Facebook and other social media to get more traction and visibility. More to come on this, as fundraising ideas will start to be discussed at the next meeting.

Old Business

1. Controlled Burning of Cattails
 - a. Dave Thomas spoke with a member of the Weyauwega Fire Dept., who expressed interest in participating in a controlled burn of the lake's cattail population. Sue Rathsack will reach out to Ted Johnson at the DNR to get approval and determine next steps. Ted has indicated in the past that he could approve sections of cattails to be burned. This will have to be done during the colder months when the water is frozen.
2. Dam Level
 - a. Sue Rathsack has been doing additional research on the history of the dam and will be following up with County officials on if/how to get the dam raised to keep at least the spring water level in the lake.

Meeting Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 pm. The next meeting will be on Monday, November 13th at 6:00 pm at Willow Pond.