

## Lake Sawyer Community Club Board Meeting

July 20, 2004

Attendance: Steve Garvich, Alf Ladderud, Cindy Wheeler, Michelle Young, Steve Mermelstein, Becky Olness, Robert Schueler, Marlene Conran

Absent: Jean Boston

Guests: Judy Johnson, Lisa Lapsansky, Mark Davis

Cindy Wheeler called the meeting to order at the Clubhouse at 7:00 pm.

1. Judy Johnson, of Community Safe House explained that they are an organization to protect and educate abused women in severe danger in the Black Diamond/Maple Valley area. They are looking for organizations to have fundraisers to provide cash. They are asking for funds to pay for tuition for one woman (\$2300). The website is [www.chs.com](http://www.chs.com) and their toll-free number is 1-866-983-7233.

The board will discuss this at a future meeting.

### 2. Floor/Court Update

Steve Garvich reported that he, Cindy, and Michelle went to Aukeen Court for mediation on July 7<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Simpson refused mediation so a court date was set for September 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:30 am. The floor has not been repaired yet, but George Calbom says a repair alone will not blend with the rest of the floor so the entire floor needs to be sanded and treated. He will charge us \$1500 (half the actual price) and the chemicals will cost approximately \$400.

Attorney and LSCC member Mark Davis explained that he felt we had better than a 50% chance of winning in court since we have documentation. He explained that if we are awarded the judgment, we will not have to pay any court costs and will receive \$606. If Mr. Simpson refuses to pay, collection expenses will be added to the judgment. Mark also said that if we need to pursue collection, he will do it pro bono for the club.

A motion was made and seconded that LSCC be represented at the court on September 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed (5 yes; 2 no). Cindy and Michelle will attend.

3. The minutes of the last meeting were approved.

### 4. Finances

Since the resignation of Carol Benson, it was decided that the president and vice-president (Alf and Cindy) be authorized to write checks. Then the new treasurer will be added so that there will be more than one person who can sign checks and

make deposits. A two-signature requirement will be discussed when we review the bylaws.

Alf will meet with Carol at the bank tomorrow morning and get the signature card changed. He will also get the post office box key. There are many checks and updates from the 4<sup>th</sup> of July collections that have not been recorded or deposited. Alf and Cindy will make a deposit as soon as Becky makes additions to the data base.

We are planning to have reimbursement and receipt forms for all to use when submitting bills and checks to the treasurer. If you have samples from other organizations, please bring them to the next meeting.

We need to have the books audited. This is usually a yearly procedure for most groups. Alf reminded us that an audit should include both the books and bank statements. There was concern about the cost of a CPA or professional auditor. Steve Mermelstein will make a few calls to see what the cost might be. Also, if anyone knows of any accountants who are lake residents, that might be an option. Another option is to appoint an audit committee of LSCC members.

We all need to be searching for a new treasurer. We will also mention this in the next newsletter.

**5. 4<sup>th</sup> of July**

Robert reported that the Fun Run bills totaled \$242.51 (that includes food, a new stop watch, and an \$80 fee for running through the county park). He has 15 T-shirts and 2 polo shirts left. He has not received a bill for the shirts yet. He suggested that we may want to consider advertising the run on the local “race circuit”. We could then charge the standard \$25 fee to non-residents. This needs to be decided by January.

**6. Water Safety**

There is still concern about boating violators, especially of the no-wake zone outside the buoys. Cindy has heard several comments regarding damage and safety issues. She will ask Kevin Esping to write a short article for our next newsletter.

Steve Mermelstein suggested that we have several copies of the lake regulations so we could hand them out to new residents. Cindy will email the regulations to board members who can then print them.

**7. Newsletter**

Items for the next newsletter:

- 4<sup>th</sup> of July results, pictures, & thank-you’s
- Dock parties
- Coal Cart picture

- School Supplies
- Vine Maple article – from Jean
- Search for treasurer & thank you to Carol
- Article re marine patrol, parking, & calling 911 (Cindy will call Kevin)
- List of members and 4<sup>th</sup> of July donors (insert)
- Fall Road Clean-up date?

It was moved and seconded that we list the 4<sup>th</sup> donations listing contributors in the following categories:

- \$10-\$49
- \$50-\$99
- \$100-\$199
- \$200+

Motion passed.

Advertising was discussed. Becky presented a draft policy. It was moved and seconded that we adopt this policy. Motion passed. (see attached)

### **8. Board Meetings**

The clubhouse is available on Wednesdays at 7:30. Most agreed that by the time the ballet class gets out and we set up it would be 7:45 or 8:00. The majority prefers earlier meetings. Steve Garvich suggested that we tell Claudette that her next year's schedule should allow us to have the clubhouse at 7:00 one night per month.

It was moved and seconded to hold board meetings in members' homes for this year (2004-2005). Motion passed.

Future Meetings:	September 14	Becky Olness
	October 12	Marlene Conran
	November 9	Cindy Wheeler
	December 14	open
	January 10	Steve Garvich
	February 9 <sup>th</sup>	General Meeting at Clubhouse

### **9. Clubhouse Issues**

In talking with Claudette, Cindy realized that we do not have a lease or anything in writing with our major tenant. This is something that the board wishes to pursue immediately. Marlene will speak with someone in property management at Century 21 to get an idea about rates, types of leases, etc.

The board authorized Steve Garvich to purchase a new lock-box for the thermostat.

The mystery pipe on the grounds has been determined as a secondary water turn-off. It will be covered with plywood.

Claudette has requested that we allow her to display a 3' x 8' vinyl sign advertising her ballet school on the clubhouse. Discussion followed. Concern was felt by some that LSCC needs a more prominent sign because many associate the clubhouse only with the ballet school.

It was moved and seconded that we allow Claudette to hang a sign during August and September and for an additional 2 weeks during her semester break. Motion passed. Cindy will remind Claudette that she is responsible for any damage that may occur by hanging the sign.

We still do not have a date for the floor repair.

10. Items for discussion at next meeting:

- audit
- Restricting events to members only (Santa Boat; contest winners for 4<sup>th</sup> of July)
- Lease for major tenant
- Fun Run
- Bylaws review (2 signatures on check; membership chair)
- Community Safe House
- LSCC sign

There will be no meeting in August. Next meeting will be Tuesday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at Becky Olness'.

Respectfully submitted,  
Becky Olness