

SECORD LAKE ASSOCIATION INC

Annual Membership Meeting and Election

August 15, 2020

**MINUTES**

Secord Lake Association (SLA) meeting via Zoom was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by Phil Dast. Board members present via Zoom: Phil Dast, Susan Morgan, Richard West, Bruce Plowman, Rita Lewis, Deb Stover; and Jeanne Ballor. Also present Sandy Sikora. Guest Commissioner Joel Vernier, Gladwin County Board of Commissioners.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Motion made to approve Minutes from July 18, 2020 Board Meeting. Seconded and passed. No further report.

**TREASURERS REPORT:** Bank balance is \$6926.64. Motion made to approve Treasurer's report; seconded and passed. There are outstanding bills: Sandy Sikora (\$40.00 for OpaVote and \$95.49 for Zoom) and Susan Morgan (\$22 postage). Motion made to payment of these bills Seconded and passed.

**PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:** Phil summarized the difficulties we have faced in 2020 and expressed hopes that the Secord Lake community will come together in a positive and unified voice as we work to get our Lake back in a safe and responsible manner. Never again should we find ourselves in a situation like this.

Phil then thanked the Board of Directors for their volunteerism on behalf of the Lake; Joel Vernier for his tireless service on behalf of the Lake community; and Sandy Sikora for her outstanding technological assistance to the Board, allowing Zoom meetings and virtual elections to be possible.

Finally, Phil read a portion of the letter recently sent by MDNR to Secord Lake Association and FLTF regarding citizen contacts about raising the water level in Secord. AS this letter makes clear, the water level is determined by FERC and raising the water level cannot occur without FERC's order and completion of the necessary repairs to the dam by the owner.

Jeanne Ballor briefly spoke about the Board Statement that was posted on our web site.

**ELECTION:** Jeanne Ballor explained that 6 candidates are on the ballot for 4 director's positions.. The voting process was then explained: Each member in good standing will receive an email with a link to the ballot. Telephone numbers appear in the email and on the ballot for people who have problems with the voting process. Voting was opened at approximately 10:30 and closed at noon.

Results of the election:

Phil Dast	268
Jeanne Ballor	266
Chuck Sikora	262
Susan Morgan	218
Daniel Dralle	117
Robert Plotzke	88

**QUESTION AND ANSWER:** While the election was proceeding, Phil and Joel took questions posed by attendees. The questions and answers can be viewed in the recording of this meeting, posted at SLA website.

Motion made to adjourn with support; passed. Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

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