

Garfield Lake Association
Board Meeting Minutes
May 15, 2019

The Garfield Board of Directors meeting was held Wednesday, May 15, 2019, at 6:30 p.m. at Bill Karsten's home. In attendance were: Charlie Clark, Bill Karsten, Jeanne Mehlhop, Ron Ray, (via phone), Joe Rubash, Debra Vogeltantz, and Mark Warisch.

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m.

The minutes of the previous board meeting were approved.

Mark Warisch presented the financial report. The good news is the association stayed within budget. The next year will be more difficult with increased expenses for inspectors at the boat landing. Last year the association had a total of 44 members. As of this meeting date, ten new lakeshore property owners have submitted dues, but eight of last year's members have not yet submitted their dues, bringing total membership to 44. The bank balance, with next years' dues included, is \$2,228.01.

The board members made preparations for the Second Annual Garfield Lake Association Membership Meeting to be held Saturday, May 25, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Laporte.

- Sign-in and collection of additional membership dues will begin at 9:30 a.m. The meeting will start at 10:00, with completion at approximately 11:45.
- Cookies and beverages will be provided.
- Garfield Lake T-shirts, sweatshirts, and hats will be available for orders.
- Membership (who have submitted this year's dues of \$30 prior to the annual meeting) will elect four new board members.
- The membership will vote on By-Laws Amendments that will allow people and businesses who are not lake-shore property owners to become full association members.
- A display will show the proposed boat landing improvements and new signage; members will be provided with details.
- Information regarding fish in Garfield Lake will be presented.
- Updates on water quality testing and AIS will be reported.
- Additional AIS tubes will be numbered and distributed, along with installation and removal instructions.

The board members voted 4 in favor, with 2 opposed, to send a copy of the ballots, including the By-laws changes, for membership to review before the meeting.

A representative from Take A Kid Fishing will be asked to speak at the meeting. Greg Mehlhop and Mark Warisch will tally votes together after the vote, with the results being presented at the meeting.

Mark Warisch reported that the proposed boat landing improvements were presented to the Laporte City Council. The city council approved Garfield Lake Association to act as their representative in the submission of the DNR permit application. The Ice Racers were shown the proposal, and they set aside \$4,200 to pay for the material costs. The Ice Racers also want the landing grade leveled to make it easier to get their car trailers racers onto the ice. Ice Racers will supply the rocks and will deliver the cement planks provided by the DNR, and; Frank Vogeltantz will provide the equipment and ~~de~~ the labor, and the City of Laporte is responsible for repaving. It will take time to get approval from the DNR and a permit. It is hoped that work can begin the end of July.

A proposed date for the next Board of Directors meeting was set for Wednesday, May 29, 2019, at Bill Karsten's home.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.