

## **Gem Lakes Recreation Association Board of Directors September 11, 2004 Meeting Minutes**

The Gem Lakes Recreation Association Board of Directors met on the morning of Saturday, August 14, 8:00 a.m. at the Pavilion.

### **Present:**

Buddy Brinkley, Gary Bunker, Scott Flickinger, Gary Marozas, Dennis Saylor, Ed Seufert, and Johnny Spears.

### **Minutes:**

The minutes from the August board meeting were approved with one correction.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Ed Seufert reported that the association remains in the black. Major expenditures for August included \$8,818 for lifeguard salaries, \$1,000 for insurance, and \$473 for the new grill.

### **Recreation Manager's Report:**

Johnny Spears reported that the new grill has arrived and will be set up shortly. Fill dirt was located to fix the low spots on the access road to the lake building. A sprinkler bearing may be going out on the motor, which will be investigated and replaced if needed. A chain and lock for the lifeguard boat will be purchased. Signs for the Fall Work Day were ordered from Sign Works at \$58 @ double-sided. The board agreed to purchase 6 more, not to exceed \$400, to advertise the upcoming Oktoberfest. An issue was raised regarding lifeguard attention to their duties during slack periods of time.

### **Updates and Status Reports:**

Fishing Dock - Gary Marozas reported that the fishing dock contract was awarded to Buck Mooneyhan and that the target date of completion is October 20. If any coordination issues arise during the day, Buck will deal with Johnny Spears or Melody Brinkley. Scott Flickinger had two concerns regarding (1) insurance liability and (2) possible damage to the dam from the lower lake fishing dock pilings. Dennis Saylor agreed to resolve the insurance question, and there was some discussion on the board about hiring an independent engineer to assess the dam issue.

Other Updates – The board agreed to evaluate three competitive bids for the swimming dock repairs from the dock contractors (Buck and Agnew) and Johnny Spears. The revised scope of work will include the disposal of the old boards. There has been no action to date on the basketball backboard repairs. Johnny Spears will purchase an eight foot extension ladder, preferably fiberglass, and not to exceed \$150. John Kilgo is continuing to collect information for the fish survey / lake balance study.

### **New Business:**

The Work Day is scheduled for Saturday, October 9, 9 a.m. to noon. Johnny Spears is putting a list of activities together. The Oktoberfest is scheduled for Saturday, October 23. Gary Marozas has ordered two kegs of beer, and will also procure the wine and soft drinks, including extra diet cokes. Scott Flickinger will coordinate the food, including the sides with Publix. Dennis Saylor will be responsible

for the pumpkins, and Vicki Murray was assigned the task of bringing the ice. The board discussed the fact that Oktoberfest is becoming more popular than the Memorial Day picnic. Due to a lack of refrigerator space, Buddy Brinkley will order a new refrigerator not to exceed \$500.

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Newsletter – Gary Bunker was requested to issue a newsletter advertising the Oktoberfest. Also to be included is an appeal for e-mail addresses from residents for the e-newsletter.

Lake Drainage – Buddy Brinkley will contact James Brooks about making “the dive.”

Website – The contractor continues to compile information. Scott Flickinger will assist in the site development.

Chair and Tables – Buddy Brinkley will obtain price information for 50 additional chairs and 6 additional picnic tables.

Fire Pit – The board decided to locate the new fire pit a few feet more away from the trees but still close to the old fire pit location.

Camping – Scott Flickinger and Dennis Saylor discussed the mechanics of reserving a camping space and time at the recreation facility for residents. The new guidelines will appear in a future newsletter.

Sprayfield – Dennis Saylor remarked on the fact that once the sprayfield is remediated it will revert to a land trust, and then donated to a non-profit organization. Dennis believes the Association should get involved in this process in order to raise its profile and eventually take possession of this real estate.

Additional Storage – Though failing to formulate a recommendation, the board discussed a range of possibilities to increase the Association’s storage space either up at the tennis courts or below the lake building. Proposals included (1) purchasing a new temporary storage building, (2) adding onto the existing lake building, or (3) building a new clubhouse / storage building. The board agreed that this issue will be a priority once the fishing docks are completed and we’re past the Oktoberfest.

### **Next Meeting:**

The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, October 9, 8 a.m. at the Gem Lakes Pavillion prior to the Fall Work Day activities.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.