

Gem Lakes Recreation Association Board of Directors

September 13, 2008 Meeting Minutes

The Gem Lakes Recreation Association Board of Directors met on the morning of Saturday, September 13, 2008, 8:30 a.m. at the pavilion.

Present:

Buddy Brinkley, Gary Bunker, Gary Marozas, Bob Mell, Vickie Murray, Rick Samundsen, Karen Skiff, and Susanna King.

Minutes:

The minutes from the August board meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Karen Skiff presented the August financial report. Total income for the month was \$3,751 and total expenses were \$6,854. Total income this year included \$60,853 in current year dues and \$6,019 in prior year dues. Total current assets are \$58,563, including \$41,147 in the bank balance and \$16,822 in the money market account. The largest August expenses were for the lifeguards, the recreation manager, the bookkeeper, and insurance.

Skiff sent a letter to all homeowners that are more than one year past due. Several responses were received. Another letter will go out in October. The board discussed dues notices for new residents.

Recreation Manager's Report:

Johnny Spears reported that the fall work day has been moved to October 4. The list of projects has yet to be finalized, but it will include replacement of lumber on some of the picnic tables and clearing brush from one of the dams. Difficulties have been encountered in finding spare light bulbs for the ceiling fans.

Lake / Property Manager's Report:

Buddy Brinkley discussed the plan to lower the swimming and fishing (lower) lakes starting in mid-November. Board replacement on the lower lake will also be worked on during the winter. The board discussed options for more intense weed control when the lakes are down.

Webmaster Report:

Susanna King reported 44 unique visitors to the web site last month with an average of 2 hits per day. King will attempt to locate an electronic copy of the current rules so the revisions can be posted onto the website. The board discussed Google ads, classified / yard sale ads, putting in a Pay Pal option for dues, and a more extensive web hosting plan if the webpage becomes more active.

Old Business:

Negotiations with Steve Kisner on Improvements – Bob Mell reported on his recent discussions with Kisner.

Bingo / Movie Night Date & Preparation – Mell discussed starting the events back up in October. It was noted that bingo nights could go on even without the projector for the movies.

New Business:

Gem Lakes Oktoberfest Assignments / Preparations – The following assignments were made for the Oktoberfest on October 25:

Bob Mell – Food and adult beverages

Bill Mathison – Soft drinks and water

Buddy Brinkley – Pumpkins (125)

Gary Bunker – Sign-in table

Vickie Murray, Karen Skiff, and Susanna King – Decorations, desserts (one sheet cake), and door prizes (6 \$25 gas cards)

This year, residents will be asked to bring desserts as only one sheet cake will be provided. Also, only one pumpkin per family will be distributed until every family participating in the pumpkin carving contest has at least one pumpkin.

Newsletter – Gary Bunker will require input from board members no later than September 30.

Parking Lot Items:

The board discussed whether or not to rent or buy a movie projector, an ice maker, and a popcorn machine. Rental and purchase costs were discussed for future action. The board also discussed whether or not to purchase “holes” for a frisbee golf course.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held at the Pavilion on Saturday, October 4 at 8:00 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.