

Lake Geneva Yacht Club
Board of Directors Meeting
August 2, 2014

A regular meeting of the Lake Geneva Yacht Club was held at Lake Geneva Yacht Club on August 2, 2014

Call to order 12:00 PM

Present: Terry Blanchard, Commodore
Bill Barrett, Vice Commodore
Rodney Rieger, Rear Commodore
Tim Doran, Treasurer
John DeCarlo, Secretary

Directors:

Kristin Gannon
Jerry Millsap
Dan Barker
Tom Larimer
Andrew Wilson
Jay Jones
Tom Pomierski
Steve Lyon

Excused Steve Boho
John D. Simms, Jr., Retired Commodore

Non Board

Attendees: Ellen Bentsen, Bill Bentsen, Don Holst, Thomas Freytag, David Gallagher, Bill Freytag, Thomas Freytag, Chris Gannon

LGYC Staff Michael Moore, Operations Manager

Document Approval

Minutes of Previous Meeting

A motion to approve the June 7, 2014 Board of Directors meeting minutes was made by Tim Doran and seconded by Kristin Gannon. The motion was approved

Officer's Reports

Commodore (Terry Blanchard)

Terry reported on the recent parties at the LGYC. The Holiday Home Event was less attended than in the past but was profitable. The Buddy Melges Fund raising party was a huge success with over \$65K raised and Terry thanked all those who organized the event. The Members mingle was cancelled due to poor attendance. The Commodores Dinner was catered by Gooseberries and 45 members attended. The food was good but the execution was poor.

The E Scow regatta was not profitable due to a budget of 40 boats and an attendance of 35 boats. The Melges 17 Regatta had 17 participants which was down from last year since we were competing with a cub boat regatta. The PHRF Regatta organized by Don Holst was a success and it help drive Wednesday night food and bar revenue.

The scoring problem caused by the resignation of Bob Winter has been solved by the hiring of an employee of the GLSS who is knowledgably in this area.

Preliminary financing discussions have begun with BMO and the Walworth State Bank. Bill Barrett will report on moving plans and Michael Keefe has offered some temporary office space in Lake Geneva.

Vice Commodores Report (William Barrett)

The cord on crane 3 has been repaired at a cost of \$800. We are trying a new design on the seawall that should be as effective and cheaper and easier to maintain. We will begin a building clean out on August 24th and have contacted an auctioneer who believes we can raise 10K with an on-line auction. After Labor Day we will begin asbestos removal. The city has agreed to allow us to rebuild the garages on the old foot print.

Rear Commodore Report (Rod Rieger)

Flagship II repaired for winch hydraulic leak and clutch failure. We need to run winch at a slower pace to reduce wear on wildcat. Carburetor and fuel filter being addressed.

Boat Two needed a new starter with planned installation of new ignition switch.

The ILYA E-Scow Invitational had great wind but somewhat low turnout (33 registered) with Pewaukee fleet failing to send more than one boat. The furthest sailor was from Texas.

The ILYA Melges 17 Championship ran well with wind by Sunday with a turnout of 17 teams.

The Trophy Banquet is scheduled for the evening of August 30th. Tent and band are arranged with a Pig Roast picnic style dinner planned. No food will be prepared in the clubhouse. This party will also celebrate the last event in the old clubhouse and the initiation of construction.

The Volunteer Appreciation Banquet is scheduled for October 18th, Saturday evening at the Abbey Springs club house. Arrangements are being made to have lower parking lot pickup by golf cart for those who need a little help up the hill.

It may be possible to have some limited sailing during the construction depending on waterfront access, especially if they are not working on weekends. Plans will be made as circumstances allow. The Old Guard race will be on Sunday at 3 PM in Sonar's.

Secretaries Report (John DeCarlo)

No report

Treasures Report (Tim Doran)

Membership has grown to 229 members up 13 members. There was a mixture of membership types and some did come from the GLSS program. We are ahead of budget with \$509 K in bank

Managers' Report (Michael Moore)

We are now getting much of our meat product from a local butcher. The grill has allowed the kitchen to speed up food orders and a half hour wait is the goal. He will be spending one day at the Inlands to observe operations. He will be also meeting with the Sailors of the Sea an environmental group for future operations improvement.

Committee Reports:

Nominating Committee (Chris Gannon)

Chris thanked his committee of Scott Ripkey and Jeff Brassel and presented the slate for 2015.

Commodore Terry Blanchard

Vice-Commodore Bill Barrett

Rear-Commodore Rod Rieger

Treasurer Tom Larimer

Secretary John DeCarlo

Board members with 3 year term: Diane Brassel, Chuck Lamphere, Michael Lynch

BMSC Funding (Tom Freytag)

Cash and pledges- \$2,863,000

Expenses - \$108,000

Net- \$2,755,000

176 donors (125 yacht club members and 51 nonmembers)

The BMSC fund raiser brought in \$140,000

Net cash- \$1,600,000

Still waiting for the Bill Koch check

Building Report (Bill Barrett)

The final plans are being draw up and the engineering plans should be ready in 1 week. There is a possibility for a bathroom in building #4 depending on final decision on availability of water.

Bill presented the proposal by Fontana for a water loop to go down the central drive. There was discussion regarding the long term implications of an easement down the center of the property. We will request that they consider either the east or west property line.

Site Plan (John Simms submitted)

Members of the Site Committee have not met as a full group since our report to the Board on May 24, 2014.

As chair of the committee I have been working with John Zils and other officers to address the following:

1. The Village of Fontana has approached the LGYC asking for a 20 foot easement down our west road to provide for a fresh water loop the city feels is necessary to serve customers and ourselves in the case of emergency. The loop also insures our water is not stagnant during low season.
2. Several of us attended a meeting with the village than a subsequent site visit to review their plans for the loop.
3. We agreed to work with the VOF once they presented a formal request. The committee intentions are to review the request and solicit attorney review as to the next step.
4. The advantage of the easement:
 - a. The VOF officials have agreed to remove the west road, install their pipe, re-grade and asphalt after our construction eliminating that cost from our budget.
 - b. Simms suggested and received agreement to extend (at no cost to us) both sewer and water to the corner of building #4 in anticipation of a future desire to have a member accessible bathroom for after hours as well as GLSS student and instructor needs during school.
 - c. There will be additional fire hydrants along the line providing wonderful coverage for all of our property and certain to reduce our insurance premiums.
 - d. Possible advantage (research no yet done) is the sprinkler service may be sized smaller as the pressure will be greater.
5. The perceived disadvantages of the easement:
 - a. Should the line need repair, access to the facility could be impaired and we would experience repair jobs to the asphalt.
 - b. Once the easement is granted, it cannot be withdrawn and the GLSS/LGYC need to evaluate the limits this may put on future plans. (The current proposed path will not affect the site plan as envisioned.)
6. We also reviewed the currently existing easement along the west drive and along the lakefront. This easement was granted when we were annexed. The VOF has indicated they need the following:
 - a. A stub line running from the current lift station north to the shore than east to the lot line. This is for future possible use should the DNR mandate the homes ease of us be on sewer. It is to our advantage this be done during our construction. The VOF is reviewing their budget.
 - b. The stub line would also require a lift station at the NE corner of the property. This is a 20 foot deep pit. 10-20 feet in diameter with a steel lid. This will not affect our ability to drive over this.
 - c. The VOF has requested a gas generator be placed in the NE corner-we have declined willingness and suggested the generator requirement be served by the

existing generator on the west lot line or a new one possibly placed behind our garage area. More research required here.

- d. The VOF has been putting buildings up to house the controls for the lift station. We declined willingness for this suggesting either a vault on the exterior of our building or some arrangement near the generator. Again, more research is being done here.
7. There has been no work done to date on the site plan, pending what the BOD decides for the easement. In addition, it is of lower priority than the building and rain garden.
8. John Zils and John Simms met with Shawn Kelly, who is a landscape architect referred to us by Dave Navin. Shawn would like us to consider alternatives to the rain garden which would possibly free up spaces for parking as well as do a better job (his opinion) of mitigating rain wash down our property. Many interesting ideas were floated and he will be providing us a quote on the project and likely outcomes.

Old Business:

Bob Winter Resignation

A lengthy discussion followed regarding the Bob Winter resignation. Bill Bentsen suggested that we delay this decision and first address the proposal to offer Bob a change in membership to Honorary Service. Gerry Millsap made a motion to make Bob Winter an Honorary Service Member. The motion was seconded by Tom Larimer. It was noted by several members that Bob had resigned because he was unhappy with the direction the club was taking and therefore may not desire the membership change. It was noted that Bob stated that he would be honored to be placed in this category. A number of opinions were expressed both in favor and against the membership change although all expressed great appreciation for his years of service. The motion passed unanimously and Bob will be notified for his approval on this membership change.

PHRF Regatta (Don Holst)

Don organized the event and was he was thanked by board members for all his work on this new trial program. Don reported that 17 boats participated. Income was \$1400 with \$700 in expenses and a F & B income of \$2386

Probationary Membership (Kristin Gannon)

Motion to approve probationary status, hereby renamed provisional status, to be presented at the Spring 2015 meeting as a bylaw change was motioned by Steve Lyon and second by Tim Doran. The motion was approved.

Provisional Status:

Section 2 Application. Applications for membership must be in writing and submitted to the Membership Committee for consideration and recommendation to the Board for approval, which is subject to any maximum membership limit or other requirements that have been established by the Board. All approved members will automatically enter a provisional period after which the Board must vote to reaffirm the membership, which will occur twice a year during mandatory October and April Board Meetings. There is a requirement for a personal recommendation by two current Club members who are Regular, Senior, Intermediate, or Honorary Life members

who are in good standing. This requirement may be met on the original application or during the reaffirmation process. Additionally, reaffirmation requires that the member be in good standing in accordance with Regulations Related to Bylaws.

New Business

Dredging Project (Bill Barrett)

Dredging proposal was present by Bill Barrett. There was much discussion around the proposal to remove about 1 foot of material. It was agreed that we should remove more material in hopes of getting more years before dredging needs to be done again. A motion was made by Andrew Wilson with a second by Steve Lyon to have Bill obtain a new quote for removal of more material and approve up to \$12k for the work. The motion was approved.

Membership Changes (Kristin Gannon)

Hunter Collins	Junior
Kate Crannell	Junior
Nora Kiernan	Junior
Nathan Quist	Intermediate
Alan Gray	Associate
Betsy Hamlin	Associate
James Perry	Associate
Sally Prio	Associate
Annie Logan	Associate
Howard Pulsifer	Associate

A motion was made by Jerry Millsap with second by Bill Barrett to accept all the new members. The motion was approved.

A motion to adjourn was made by Dan a Barker with second by Jerry Millsap. The motion was approved.

Next Meeting: The next board meeting will be August 30th

Respectfully submitted

John DeCarlo, Secretary and Kristin Gannon, Membership Chair

