

Lake Carey Welfare Association, June 9, 2024

President Lewis Flinn welcomed everyone. He gave a brief overview of information that was shared at the May meeting regarding the dam, lake water quality, dredging and other larger projects the association will be working on. We have applied for a grant from FEMA. Our design plans are still sitting on a desk in Harrisburg. They have been there since 2021. It is now estimated the new dam will cost about 430,000 thousand dollars. One of the grants gives a 30% match to the funds we already have. Hopefully we will hear something midsummer. He also talked about Jessica Fiore a water management specialist from Penn State Extension. We will continue to work with Princeton Hydro on the Growing greener grant. We have a new membership committee. Our goal would be to have every resident join the association as our work benefits every homeowner at the lake.

The minutes were read and two corrections were made. The minutes were approved with the changes made.

Financial Report

General checking -\$6,753.04

Dam checking - \$5.00

Total - \$6,758.04

Lake Carey Dam Association

Checking - \$34,931.79

Savings - \$68,416.09

Six month CD - \$50,491.80

Total - \$153,569.68

Communication Committee – Rob Baskins. He will post on our website lakecarey.pa.com information about how to opt into texting and our Facebook page. Not to be confused with Friends of Lake Carey Facebook page.

Golf Tournament

The tournament is all set to go tomorrow with 32 teams playing. We have raffle prizes and gift baskets. There will be three games to play around the course. New this year is a cooler filled with adult beverages at one of the holes and the person who gets closest to the cooler on their shot from the tee wins the cooler.

Lake Carey Day

We are in need of baskets to raffle off. You can make your own or give a financial donation to Deb Tierney and she will make a basket. There will be 17 crafters and Jessica Fiore from Penn State Extension will have a table with information regarding the services they can offer us. We still need someone to sponsor the Corn Hole Tournament. Deb does have a lead of someone to ask. Carrie Burke will run the 5K race around the lake. The Lake Carey Fire Department will provide traffic and safety for the race. Deb

is still trying to get in touch with Mannings Ice Cream to provide a food truck. David Rinehimer wants to move away from running the Poker Run. He is asking for someone to take over and he will teach them this year. Walter has volunteered to run the boat tour; he just needs a boat. Charles Williams volunteered the use of his boat. For the boat parade all you need to do is decorate your boat and drive around the lake. Rob Baskins has agreed to do the pamphlet for Lake Carey Day.

Welcoming Committee

This committee is headed by Rhonda Trosky. She would like to put together a canvas bag with information about the association and maybe a Lake Carey hat and Walter's book. The cost would be \$750 and you must buy in quantities of 25. A suggestion was made to look for a less expensive way to do this.

New Business

There will be two Barn Bashes this year on June 29 and August 17. They will run from 6-9 o'clock. There will be beverages for sale and hot dogs to eat. There will also be entertainment on the evening of Lake Carey Day.

A draft of the minutes will be posted on our website within a few days of the meeting. A question was made regarding why does all the fundraising money go to the Dam Association. That is because the Dam Association is a 501C3 and all donations can be deductible on your taxes. The Lake Carey Welfare Association keeps all the membership dues and any private donations that are made specifically for the Lake Carey Welfare Association.

A reminder about fireworks and loud parties after 10pm. This is just a recommendation that cannot be enforced. This is about being a good neighbor. A suggestion was made to add a good neighbor policy to the newsletter. The association does not have the authority to make rules, just recommendations. Lewis added that there will be no more fireworks at the Old Carter Barn.

Lewis also asked if anyone knew how to get in touch with the owners of the land for sale at the north end of the lake. The land is owned by the Robic family and they have not returned any phone calls, We would like to work on making some of that land into a nature conservancy as that is where the eagle's nests are.

A question was asked regarding dredging the small lake. We need to get an engineer to find out information and a plan on how to do this. Ed Hetzel said Princeton Hydro has this information. A problem is what to do with all the silt and dirt. Farmers may want to use it. We would need a permit for the dredging. Another option is to do Hydro maintenance. This does not need a permit but it costs 5 Thousand dollars a day with a minimum of five days.

We currently have 61 paid memberships for 2024. In an effort to try and get back old members a suggestion was made to offer them an incentive like half off dues for one year.

There was no old business. A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Next meeting is on July 14, 2024. Jane Chambers won the 50/50 raffle.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Patty Skrynski, Secretary