**SILVER LAKE COMMUNITITY ASSOCIATION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES-Draft**

**April 20th, 2024**

**Board Members present:**

Brad Ellenberger

Kevin Gramlich

Scotty Roberge

Maryanne Ellenberger

Sarah Hedin

Jon Steiner

Tom Imblum

Darrel Crimmins

John Taylor

**SLCA members and guests present:** Megan McDermott, Paul Hedin, Deb Steiner, Cathy Cutler, Kim Sweger, Carol Milligan. , Leslie Romesberg, Jennifer Hoke, Ken Boyer, Deb Bressler, Noela, Ray and Zeva Taylor, Brenda Himes, Kathi Kunkel, Donna Marie Dietz, Dan Ritts, Pam Fink, James Wymer, Leslie Romesburg, Rose Moser, Deb Taylor, Steve and Trudy Stauffer, Amanda Allison.

**Brad Ellenberger called the Special Meeting to order:** B. Ellenberger started by thanking everyone for attending. He explained the reason for the meeting was so the members could vote on adding Tom Imblum and Carol Werning as members. This was recommended by our attorney because he had provided incorrect information to the Board. He stated the Board could grandfather in Tom and Carol, and we would need to add something to our bylaws allowing for voluntary members. That is what we did. Because of the Webb’s demands, our attorney advised us to have the members vote in Tom and Carol.

The Webb’s keep stating that our bylaws did not pass because we had illegal voting. B. Ellenberger stated even without Tom and Carol’s votes, our bylaws still passed. B. Ellenberger also stated that the new bylaws state the Board handles adding voluntary members. He also stated that to date the Webb’s have cost the members $1396.61.

B. Ellenberger then asked if the members had any questions or comments.

Paul Hedin stated our lake is still private. Noela Taylor said there are some misconceptions that anybody can be a voluntary member. She reminded us that the bylaws show the boundaries of who could be a voluntary member and that Jenn Hoke had worked with her on the boundaries that were in the new bylaws. Noela also reminded the members that there are access points for members that are not on the water.

Scotty Roberge, a member of Silver Lake for more than three decades and a current board member, spoke about her passion for the lake and in the support of Tom Imblum's request to be a member of the community. She outlined his services as current treasurer for the board and voluntary involvement in many activities benefitting the lake, including work parties, board meetings and other activities.  Scotty noted that Tom has been dedicated to assisting the lake and to "safeguarding the association's money as treasurer." Scotty reminded the community that Tom and other members of the board work hard to support the lake through their volunteer efforts and urged those in attendance to vote in favor of Tom and Carol’s membership in the Silver Lake Association -- which was being challenged by Scott Webb.

Donna Marie Dietz asked if the seawalls were owned by the property owners or the association. The seawalls are the property owner’s responsibility. Just like a sidewalk in front of your house would be.

Paul Hedin commented on T. Imblums dedication and hard work he puts in to this lake. He said if you vote against Tom being a member, be prepared to fill his shoes.

Mr. Moser commented that voting against Tom and Carol had nothing to do with them personally. He goes by principle. He said that the public accesses for properties not on the water were inadequate. N. Taylor said maybe in the future we can make the accesses larger. D. Crimmins commented that the public accesses are all marked with signage. The comment was made that at some point the island could be a member’s access with maybe a pavilion or picnic tables.

**We Proceeded to the vote to add Tom Imblum and Carol Werning in as members. Zeva Taylor and K. Kunkle counted the votes.**

There were 46 ballots.

Outcome of the voting

Yes to vote in Tom Imblum as a member    37

Yes to vote in Carol Werning as a member 37

No to vote in Tom Imblum as a member      6

No to vote in Carol Werning as a member   6

abstained    3

**Darrel Crimmins made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Sarah Hedin seconded the motion. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned.**