

**Lake Isle and Lac Ste. Anne (LILSA)
Stewardship Society**

Executive Meeting: Oct 22, 2024 @ 7:00 PM

Hybrid (Online via Zoom + Alberta Beach Office)

In attendance:

Bernie Poulin
Ray Hutscal (Zoom)
Connie Stonehouse

Kelsie Norton
Debbie Durocher
Michelle Desjardins (Zoom)

Regrets:

Brian Brady
Michael Findlater
John Cassano
Keir Packer

Kevin Lovich
Tracy Friedel
Jenna Carter

The meeting started at 7:02 PM
Bernie P. provided a Land Acknowledgement.

1. Addition to the Agenda

MOTION: *the addition to accept Ray's letter of intent for Maverick Project to the agenda, Debbie moved - unanimously accepted - passed.*

2. Approval of the Agenda

MOTION: *to adopt the agenda as amended, Connie moved - unanimously accepted - passed.*

3. Minutes Sept 16, 2024

MOTION: *to adopt minutes of Sept 16, 2024, minutes as amended, Connie moved - unanimously approved – passed.*

4. Financials

As of last information received: Bank Balance as of Aug 30, 2024: \$20,663.69 with no outstanding bills or receipts.

The Society name change to be filed as soon as addresses are received from Board members.

***ACTION #1**

MOTION: *to accept the financials as presented, Kelsie moved - unanimously accepted – passed*

5. Flowering Rush

- a. The Flowering Rush mapping to the LILSA Website will be posted in November, as available.
- b. Pockets remain Flowering Rush in the West end but seems eradicated in the East end.
- c. Bernie continues making presentations and has also made request for support to communities surrounding the lake system, including financial support from the County.
- d. Kelsie provided further updates on Flowering Rush which has now been found in Gibbons.

6. Maverick Update

Ray presented a letter of concern to be presented to specific communities which exhibit areas that were identified through the Maverick Project. Board to review and provide feedback by the

end of the week. Noted that more layered information including timelapse, should be considered before declaring serious issues. ***(Grant consideration – Watershed Stewardship Grant)*.**

7. Alms Conference Sept 18/19 Hinton

Kelsie reported a good conference all around as well as the summer village conference, and willing to conduct lake shed presentations.

8. Outreach + Webpage Update

Michelle is updating some documentation on the website.

Requesting Board pictures and/or member profiles and will start contacting people directly.

Outreach Idea for the Spring to host a date to Inform people of the Flowering Rush and Himalayan Balsam and how to report and remove them. Train the trainer Initiative ***ACTION #2**

9. Round Table

Bernie - Attended the Summer Villages meeting, looking to change venue to accommodate next year due to great attendance.

Kelsie - Reported on recent grant applications recently for infrastructure and water quality within the NSWA, notably to tend maintenance to culverts and bridges.

Ray - Requesting electronic letterhead with address. ***ACTION #6**

Debbie - no report

Connie - Noticed some changes to be made to the logo and website. Also requested looking into changing our email address (if available) to LILSA@gmail.com. ***ACTION #3** Kelsie identified that Carla L. is still paying for hosting our webpage (a domain name, lilsa.ca) ***ACTION #4**

Michelle - no report

Adjournment @ 7:55 PM

Next Meeting Nov 27, 2024, Hybrid (Alberta Beach Office + Zoom)

ACTION ITEMS

1. Michelle to provide contact to Connie for the Society name change.
2. Future Initiative – **TRAIN THE TRAINER** on Invasive Weed Species and What to Do - February 2025
3. Michelle to investigate having a new Gmail account as LILSA@gmail.ca and report back with information.
4. Michelle to contact Carla L. for (information to) transfer of the domain name
5. ***(Grant consideration – Watershed Stewardship Grant)*.**
6. Michelle to design electronic letter head and send to Board before Friday Oct 25th. (Esp. Ray)