

Lake Isle and Lac Ste. Anne Stewardship Society

Executive Meeting

Executive Meeting: Nov 27th, 2024 @ 7:00 PM

Hybrid (Online via Zoom + Alberta Beach Office)

In attendance: Bernie Poulin, Kelsie Norton, Connie Stonehouse, Debbie Durocher, Kevin Lovich, Keir Packer, Michelle Desjardins

Regrets* and Absent: Ray Hutscal*, Michael Findlater, Brian Brady, Tracy Friedel

Meeting start 7:00 PM

Bernie P. provided the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

1. Approval of the agenda

MOTION: Debbie moved the adoption of the agenda as presented, unanimously accepted - passed.

2. Minutes July 23, 2024

MOTION: Kelsie moved the adoption of the October 23, 2024 minutes, unanimously approved – passed.

3. Financials

Bank balance as of Oct 31, 2024, \$20,639.14

Accounts payable to Connie total \$67.06 (Postage \$2.19, Ink \$35.49 and Society name change and trademark report \$29.38)

A donation was made for the amount it cost (approximately \$25.00) to transfer the lilsa.ca domain to the WIX website. The expense will be included in the WIX subscription going forward.

4. Flowering Rush

After some discussion, it was determined that LILSA owes funds in the amount of \$2,000 to Silver Sands to be transferred as soon as possible.

It has also been determined that Flowering Rush while still ongoing with much work still to be completed in the area, has become a very cost prohibitive project without certainty for funding it makes it a challenge to continue.

5. Outreach + Webpage Update

Board member profiles are updated as their information is sourced. ALUS added to website.

Flowering Rush maps to be added to the website, upon eventual receipt from the source

6. Round Table

Kier attended a Sewer Commission meeting with local municipalities and high-profile MLA's.

Funding and obtaining grants are the biggest challenge for any work to get done. Keir added LILSA to their budget for 3 years at 1K a year. Keir also requested an update regarding the Maverick Project. Bernie to follow up with its status. ***ACTION #4**

Kelsie - the NSWS is hosting a webinar from 12-1pm Dec 4 with guest Dr. Hughie Jones from Wakâ Mne – Science and Culture Initiative, with Q & A

The Alberta Lake management society looking to host in Wabamum. A booth would be ideal, and Michelle may have a solution and will follow up. ***ACTION #5**

Attended an open house with Parkland County. Jackfish lake has people interfering with the environmental reserve. Policies need adjusting for clarity, and consistency, and then enforcement.

Bernie – in January LILSA will want to think about what our focus is for the new year. Flowering Rush does not have a plan B without funding.

To be discussed prior to the end of the meeting

ACTION ITEMS

1. (Future Initiative – **TRAIN THE TRAINER** on Invasive Weed Species and What to Do - February 2025)
2. Michelle to investigate having a new Gmail account as LILSA@gmail.ca and report back with information. (Advise on Jan 28 as unavailable. Several possible variations tried with no availability).
3. ***(Grant consideration – Watershed Stewardship Grant).**
4. Bernie to follow up with Ray on the Maverick email status.
5. Michelle to investigate a booth for LILSA's future use at presentations and conferences.

Adjournment @ 7:45 PM

Next Meeting January 28, 2025, Hybrid (Zoom ONLY)