

Iron River Lions Club August 7, 2013 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Nan Olson and began with the Pledge of Allegiance to our country. Those in attendance were: Barb Anich, Janelle Armbruster, Dick Berge, Tom Boggess, Karen Boggess, Jane Bragiel, Ed Brunner, Ted Callahan, Donna Callahan, Andy Edwards, Carey Edwards, Judy Ford, Kent Getty, Roger Gustafson, Sally Gustafson, Jon Hamilton, Kim Hamilton, John Hancock, David Hultman, Linda Hultman, John Joseph, Jean Joseph, Ray Kangas, Dan Kulig, Mary Kulig, Tim Landgreen, Debbie Landgreen, Jan Lee, Ray Levine, Lois Leslie, Merv Maki, Rozie Maki, Glen Miller, Karen Maron, Chris Olson, Jim Olson, Nan Olson, Joyce Orlowski, Jerry Peck, Julie Peck, Faith Pittsley, Howard Prell, Bob Ruef, Bertie Ruef, Lona Schmidt, Wayne Smith, Guy Suo, Kathy Suo, Bill Trautt, Ken Watters, John Weiss, Terry Welty, Shirley Welty, and Karen Wicklund. Excused: Darren Hanson, Marie Larson, Carol Reasbeck, and Carol Evens.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of July 3, 2013 were presented and approved. Motion: John Joseph/Ted Callahan.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer, Carey Edwards, presented her report: As of 7/31/2013 the Ending Balance Checking is: \$49,753.22, Savings \$17,273.67, Total Assets: \$67,026.89. Motion for approval pending audit: John Joseph/Ken Watters. Approved.

Correspondence:

1. The Town of Iron River Police Department thanked our Lions Club for our kids' bike helmet donation. (A line item in our budget) Twenty-five kids received helmets.
2. Web site notes included a message from the 1952 Blueberry Queen and Princess who received a \$25.00 parade winner award check from this year's Blueberry Fest. They are donating the money back to the club.

July Board of Directors' Meeting:

1. The President requests that club concerns should be brought first to the President's attention.
2. The Publicity Committee and the Rides Committee will be kept informed as to ongoing activities for the Blueberry Festival.
3. "We Serve" is the Lions motto. This involves our immediate area and projects we believe benefit our community, along with children and those in need.
4. Appreciation pot luck pick is scheduled for August 15th at Moon Lake Park. 5:30 social hour, 6:00 dinner.

Special Projects:

1. The pavilions were spruced up with new boards which will be stained next year.
2. Our Lions Club Sign featuring the Blueberry Festival at Moon Lake Park was also treated with outdoor materials.
3. The crossing white lines were painted on Cty. Hwy. H. by the entrance to Moon Lake Park. This was found to be a great safety feature when crossing the highway during the busy traffic times at the Festival.
4. The Chamber of Commerce Meeting regarding Business improvement, development and Community enhancement will meet August 15.

Activites: Veteran's Appreciation Day-November 2, 2013. The State Commander of the American Legion will be the guest speaker.

Diabetes: Faith Pittsley will be speaking to the Cable, WI Lions club and presenting the "Living Well" program in October to folks in Cable and possibly also Port Wing. Lona Schmidt is conducting the "Stepping On" program which is off to a great start.

Website: John Joseph reported there were 153,766 hits in July!!

Facebook: Check out the Blueberry Festival fireworks video!

OLD BUSINESS

1. The Moon Walk will be brought to the EMT Labor Day Pig Roast at the White Winter Winery and the "new" inflatable to the Port Wing Fall Fest providing there are enough volunteers to move and staff it. Andy Edwards agreed to chair this project. The Board recommends our club give 10% of the Port Wing proceeds to the South Shore Lions Club.
2. Dick Berge has enough pontoon help for the Trout Unlimited "Healing Waters" program. This is a fly fishing event for wounded veterans on August 17th.

NEW BUSINESS

1. A sign-up sheet for helping at the EMT hamburger, brat, and hotdog stand was passed around for our club to help on August 25th at the Bayfield County Fair.
2. Golf outing is September 7th. A sign-up sheet for monetary/food donations was distributed by Faith.
3. 2014 Budget Committee: Bill Trautt, John Joseph and Lona Schmidt agreed to serve.
4. Nominating Committee: Darren Hanson will chair this along with Ray Kangas, Chris Olson and Bertie Ruef.
5. Wisconsin Lions Back Patches will be researched by the secretary. The patch features highlights of Wisconsin activities such as fishing, hunting, dairy, etc.

Motion for adjournment: Jeanne Joseph/Karen Wicklund. Approved.

Iron River Lions Club Blueberry Festival Meeting August 7, 2013

The meeting was called to order by the president. Nan thanked the club members for their hard work during this year's Blueberry Fest. A comment form on this year's festival was filled out by those in attendance. This helps future festivals work more smoothly.

It is too early to see the final Blueberry Festival actual profit. More bills are still coming in. A more complete picture should be available at the September meeting. The committees will have a special meeting to review the results of this year's festival.

**2013 Blueberry Festival Queen: Terra Johnson Princess: Tricia Hanson

The 50/50 was won by Ray Levine!

Motion for adjournment: John Hancock/Terry Welty.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Hultman, Secretary