

**Minutes**  
**Iron River Lions Club**  
**October 4, 2017 ~ VFW at 7 p.m.**

**Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:** The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Faith Pittsley with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Attendance:** Fred Baue, Dick Berge, Donna Callahan, Ted Callahan, Leroy Forslund, Kent Getty, Jody Halet, Rick Halet, David Hultman, Linda Hultman, Lisa Hyde, Jeanne Joseph, John Joseph, Debbie Landgreen, Marie Larson, Ray Levine, Robert Lombard, Anne Madison, Tom Madison, Reen Modeen, Tony Mullozzi, Willard Ogren, Lisa Olby, Jim Olson, Gerald Peck, Julie Peck, Jon Pieper, Robert Ruef, Roberta Ruef, Lona Schmidt, Guy Suo, Kathy Suo, William Trautt, Shirley Welty, Karen Wicklund

**Excused:** Kris Luoma, Rick Nelson, Howard Prell, Ken Watters, Terry Welty.

**Secretary Report:**

Motion by Linda Hultman to approve the secretary report. Second by Lona Schmidt. Motion carried.

Reminder: It is time for our annual dues to be paid for the upcoming year. Membership dues are \$50 for single membership or \$80 for family membership. The club subsidizes each membership and also uses the 50/50 raffle money raised at our meetings toward this subsidy. Details: Option 1: Pay in full by October 31. Option 2: Half by October 31 with the second half due by June 30. Checks are to be written payable to Iron River Lions Club. Mail payment to the Iron River Lions Club, PO Box 821, Iron River, WI 54847.

**Correspondence:**

Thank you notes:

From the Iron River Library for the Lions donation of \$500.

From Trails North ATV Club for the donation and support of their fall fund raiser rally on September 16.

From the Wisconsin Lions Foundation for the donation of \$500.

**Treasurer Report:** Nan Olson presented Reconciliation Summary, Reconciliation Detail, and Profit & Loss Previous Year Comparison reports. Motion by Julie Peck with a second by Kent Getty to file the reports for audit. Motion carried.

**President Report:** Faith Pittsley expressed her gratitude and thanks to all who helped with the Emergency Pig-Out. We raised \$3,343 for the playground.

**COMMITTEES**

**Website:** John Joseph reported 30,669 hits and 4,200 visits in September.

**Vision:** We screened 18 children today at Smiling Faces. Sixteen of the children were within range; two were referred for further testing. Screeners will return within a couple of months to screen the children who were not available today. We screened 94 students at the Iron River Elementary School with 88 results within range and 6 students out of range.

**Sunshine:** Update on Ken Watters. He is out of intensive care and recovering from heart surgery on Monday. Jody Halet offered to take up the Sunshine position for Donna Callahan. Thank you Donna for being a ray of sunshine for the Lions. We appreciate all you did.

**Diabetes:** No report at this time.

**Roadside Cleanup:** Wed. October 18 at 10:00 AM. Meet at Stephans Rd. We welcome anyone who can make it. Tick repellent, gloves, and long sleeves are the dress code. Email if you can plan to be there. Come and enjoy a couple mile walk - Linda Brunner - lindab@cheqnet.net

**Playground:** Bob Ruef reported that Phase I has made good progress. The concrete has been poured, the building and dog pen moved. On October 16 the equipment will be assembled. Phase II consists of the building of the pavilion and the wall of honor with a cost of \$20,000 that needs to be raised yet. Jeanne Joseph reported the tile sales to be at \$15,000 to date.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Golf Scramble Report:** Thank you to all who helped support and work the Golf Scramble. We netted \$5,382.45 for scholarships.

**Football Ticket Sales:** Nan Olson reported there are 400 tickets to sell. If we sell all of the tickets, we will make \$2,000.

**Deer Hide Collection:** Chris Olson will head up this project.

**Iron River Elementary Santa Visit:** Kathy Suo will head up coordinating this event.

**Bell Ringing:** Lisa Hyde will coordinate the Salvation Army bell ringing. We will begin after Thanksgiving with ringing at the grocery store, hardware store, and at the Cenex store.

**Peace Posters:** The Poplar Lions do the Peace Poster project at Northwestern. We can plan to do the essay portion next year.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Budget:** Nan Olson presented a handout and overview of the 2017-2018 budget. Motion by Lona Schmidt with a second by Tony Mullozzi to approve the budget. Motion carried.

**Elections:** The board nominated Chris Olson for vice president. President Faith Pittsley asked for other nominations from the floor three times. With no other nominations presented, Ted Callahan motioned the nominations be closed and cast a unanimous vote for Chris Olson. Second by Jeanne Joseph. Motion carried. The board nominated Jon Pieper to fill a director position with the term ending in 2020. President Faith Pittsley asked for other nominations from the floor three times. With no other nominations presented, John Joseph motioned the nominations be closed and cast a unanimous vote for Jon Pieper. Second by Tony Mullozzi. Motion carried. Jim Duclon has been appointed as Lion Tamer. Installation will be held at the November 1 meeting.

**Audit Committee:** Bill Trautt, Reen Modeen, and Wendy Biggerstaff will meet with Nan Olson for the audit. The date is to be determined.

**Thanksgiving Community Dinner:** Contact Doug & Nancy Thyberg to volunteer to help at 715-372-5249

**Christmas Party:** Carol Reasbeck and Debbie Landgreen will coordinate the Christmas party for December.

**Whistlestop:** John Joseph reported volunteers are signed up to help with the water stations at the Whistlestop on Saturday, October 14 at 8 a.m. Reen Modeen, Wendy Biggerstaff, Fred Baue, Jeanne Joseph, and Carol Reasbeck have volunteered. Thank you to all.

**50/50 drawing:** Reen Modeen won the 50/50 drawing.

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS**

Board Meeting: October 25

Member Meeting: November 1 – Officer Installation, New Member Initiation, Awards

Board Meeting: November 22 or 29? (Thanksgiving is November 23)

Member Meeting: December 6

Board Meeting: December 27

#### **Blueberry Fest Meeting**

Reen Modeen recommended that we name the cardboard boat race the “Ernie Pittsley Cardboard Boat Race”. Motion by Kent Getty with a second by Nan Olson. Motion carried.

Motion by Linda Hultman/Nan Olson to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Anne Madison, Secretary