**LOUISE / SUSITNA / TYONE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (LSTCA)**

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**January 9, 2021, 2:00 PM, The Trout House, Wasilla, AK**

The LSTCA Board Meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM by Kerin Fassler, Secretary.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Joe Stam, President (via Zoom)

Kerin Fassler, Secretary

Jim Else, Treasurer

JoAnn Hobbs, Member (via Zoom)

Jake Anders, Member

Wendy Simpson, Member (via Zoom)

**BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:**

Bari Gray, Vice-President

**GUESTS PRESENT**

Ken Barkley, MatSu EMS

**COMMUNITY ATTENDEES**

Jean Holt

Charles & Cindy Graham

Eric & Rhonda Carlson

Pete & Eileen Probasco

Jeff Hardy

Esther Arndt

James Hastings, Healing Hearts

**QUORUM:**

A quorum of board members was established.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Kerin Fassler.

**GUEST REPORT:**

Ken Barkley reported that the MatSu Borough now has a permanent Emergency Operation Center located in the old Wasilla Police Department building along the Parks Hwy. The building has/is being renovated to accommodate emergency operations.

**SECRETARY’S REPORT:**

The Minutes of the Oct 10, 2020, board meeting were read. Motion made by Jim Else to approve minutes, was seconded by Jake Anders and approved.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:**

The treasurer’s report was presented by Jim Else and copies were made available. Funds available as of September 30, 2020 were $96,502.48. Total revenues from July 1 – December 31, 2020 were $16,360.16, total expenditures totaled $6,202.31. Motion made by Kerin Fassler to approve the treasurer’s report and seconded by Wendy Simpson. MOTION PASSED.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

* Weather Station and Community WiFi at Lake Louise Lodge – After a short status update from Joe Stam, it was decided that the weather station should remain as it is currently configured as it is operating as needed.
* Community Internet – Currently we pay for community internet at Lake Louise Lodge. Ken Hobbs, of the Point Lodge who already has internet capability indicated that it is free to use at his establishment. Joe Stam and Kerin Fassler will research costs for different options and bring up at next meeting. Jim Else requested that we connect with Copper Valley to possibly put up a tower in the area to assist in getting better internet connection. Jeff Hardy said that within the last year or two research had been already done on the possibility of putting up a tower and the result was that there is not enough customer support to warrant this kind of expense.
* Brochure/Map of Area – Kudos to Wendy Simpson for putting together a brochure of the Lake Louise area including maps of Lake Louise and Lake Susitna. Maps indicate locations of satellite phones and fire boxes for use by all. Jake Anders suggested that we print on really good quality paper stock so that they wouldn’t be picked up and tossed by the public. Joe Stam is going to look into the costs of getting them printed.
* Neighborhood Watch Update – The video equipment at Three Lakes Rentals is working fine and is being used by State Troopers as needed per Jim Else. The first lease payment has been made and the final payment will be made in April. There only remains $31.17 on the grant funding after all payments are completed.
* Snowmachine Club Request – Mr. Probasco of the Lake Louise Snowmachine Club reported on status of their trail approval request to the State. They are working on several options and trying to come up with the best solution for the community. Jeff Hardy posed a question on the reason for the trail being put where it has been tentatively drawn as it will require the removal of trees. Discussion resulted in the possibility that Mr. Hardy work with the Snowmachine Club directly providing them with his thoughts and opinions on viable options.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

* A request was made by the SENIORHOUSINGNET organization to post a link on our website to their website. Their website provides guides and information on the senior housing in Alaska. Discussion from the group indicated that if it is a non-profit organization this might be a really good idea. Also, it was pointed out that the only thing we should do is to provide just a link and not necessarily an endorsement or ability for them to access our database. Kerin Fassler will research further and get back to the Board on the possibility of adding a link to our website to aid the community.
* Excessive Membership Fee Payments – Kerin Fassler noted that Jim Else, Treasurer, had received what was called an “anonymous donation”. In order to post donations into our website, there has to be an account/name of member in order to record the donation. If we have additional “anonymous donations” Kerin Fassler will set up a “LSTCA Member” contact to record such donation.
* James Hastings of the Island of Hope and Healing organization spoke to the meeting members about the organization and their purpose towards the community. They are located on Church Island located in Lake Louise proper. He invited the community to visit and encouraged increased communication with everyone.
* Kerin Fassler reported membership form update to reflect clarification of qualifications for membership and the removal of the EMS section of the form as we no longer have formal EMS in the immediate LSTCA area.

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

* New Directory – Eileen Probasco asked about reprinting the Community Directory. She has volunteered to assist as she has had previous experience with this kind of effort in the past. Kerin Fassler will connect with Eileen to come up with some ideas for a new directory.
* Kerin Fassler indicated that at this time we have no location for the next meeting. She will firm up a location and post to the LSTCA website as soon as available.

**NEXT MEETING - TBD**

Kerin Fassler motioned to adjourn, Joe Stam seconded. MOTION PASSED. Meeting adjourned 3:05.

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Kerin Fassler, Secretary Date

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Joe Stam, President Date