



LOST NATION-NEW LANDING RCD

February 20, 2014

Time: 7:00PM

- I. **Call to Order** – Marty called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

Board Members Present:

Marty Portner - Vice President

John Harris - Secretary

Tim Spelde – Member at Large

Board Members Absent

Glenn Baldwin - President

Steve Larry - Member at Large

- II. **Motion to Approve the Agenda** – John motioned to approve the agenda with the executive session taken off and Tim seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [02-14-01]
- III. **Motion to Approve the 9/24/13 Exec., 10/08/13 Exec., 11/20/13 Exec., 12/10/13 & 1/14/14 Minutes** – Tabled
- IV. **Motion to Approve the Treasurer's Report** – Tim motioned to approve the treasurer's report and John seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [02-14-02] John asked about the grounds on the profit and loss year to date report and Becky said that those numbers reflect what the RCD spent in the month of January vs. the rest of the fiscal year. He asked about the payouts to the federal and state government for wages and Becky said that a portion of those amounts are deducted from the paychecks ahead of time and that those are their standard annual and quarterly payouts. Marty asked if Glenn would be back to go over the preliminary budget numbers with Becky and she said yes.
- V. **Directors Reports**
- A. Marty Portner** – Security will be resume providing service to the RCD on March 1, 2014.
- B. John Harris** –
- C. Tim Spelde – Meeting w/ POA regarding LCC** - Tim said that during the meeting that he attended with the POA, he felt that they had good dialogue and could work something out and was waiting for a counter number and was surprised when they sent the RCD a letter saying that they wouldn't pay the \$10,000. Marty said that he would reach out to Mike and the other POA board members to let them know that they received their letter and make sure that they understand that the negotiation is over. John asked if Marty could find out if their decision was based on the results that they got from the ballot that they sent out and Marty said that they would. John asked what the consequences would be if someone reported that the RCD hasn't been following the statute regarding the charging of fees to defray the costs of the LCC and Marty said that he didn't know the answer to that question, especially in light of the fact that past members of the board knew about the statute but didn't carry it out. Becky said that she thinks that it would be something that would only be pursued if someone in the community contacted the Ogle County Board and said that we weren't following the statute – then perhaps someone like the attorney general or states attorney might get involved. Marty said that he is going to talk to Glenn about some of these things as well as to question whether the RCD is legally under the POA's jurisdiction to have the legal right to charge the RCD dues for their properties (as they did in the past) – he would guess that the answer is no but he would like to have a letter from a lawyer saying that. Marty stated that they are trying to delineate the division of responsibility; the RCD is willing to cooperate with the POA regarding the LCC but there

are a number of questions that Marty is going to ask Glenn about. The reason that they are pursuing charging the POA rent for the building is because there is a statute on the books that says that if they are going to run a facility like the LCC then they have to charge fees to generate an income that at least defrays the maintenance and fixed costs of the building and they are trying to comply with that. For years that statute has been ignored and they are trying to make it right, although it is not easy to change. For example, if the RCD wanted to run a restaurant, they could do that but the profit of that restaurant would have to cover the cost of hiring the waiters and buying and preparing the food. John said that at the last meeting, Jerry Sellers requested to look at the RCD's deed to the building and John asked what the result of that was. Becky said that Steve authorized Becky to let Jerry look at that and the deed indicated that ownership of the LCC property was transferred from a bank to the RCD and not from the POA to the RCD as they had originally thought. Marty added that he thinks that the POA was involved in some of the construction of the LCC building from a shelter to the center that it is today.

DNR Lake Report – When the DNR did their survey this year, they took biological samples of the scales of some of the fish to test them to see if they would be viable to be sold to Schafer out of the Quad Cities and he is waiting for the results of that. Marty asked who would harvest the fish and Tim said that they could shock the lake themselves to harvest the carp or look into hiring a commercial fisherman. Ice fishermen have reported to Tim that the water is clear under the ice and that there are a lot of fish by the structure that they put in. Tim discussed the possibility of doing some of the bathymetric survey through the ice using a power auger. Becky asked Tim if the RCD could buy or rent one. Marty asked how thick the ice is and Tim said that it can vary from 10 inches in some areas to only 5 over the areas that have springs feeding the lake. Marty asked Becky to send a report via e-mail that shows what each board member has in their per diem account. Tim said that he could use his per diem to buy the auger.

VI. New Business – No New Business

VII. Guests Comments

Shawn Parish – Marty asked Shawn how the basement and the bathroom look and Shawn said that they are dry. He also purchased some extra salt to put down at the LCC and Becky made sure that he listed that to get reimbursed for it.

VIII. Motion to Adjourn – John motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:26PM and Tim seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [02-14-03]

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