

Amston Lake Association
Monthly Meeting – June 14, 2022 – 6:30 p.m.
Via In-Person and Zoom

Attendees:

In Person: John Matra, Nick Salerno, Donna Payne, Christopher Hogan, Jim Caines, Jessica Caines, Karen Hinch, Mary Withey, Amy Larew

Zoom: Dan Hogan

- The meeting was called to order by John Matra at 6:30 p.m.
- Approval of Minutes from May 10 Meeting: Jim moved to accept, Nick seconded, and all voted in favor to accept.
- President's Report
 - Membership Solicitation: Hot Dog Social Day resulted in 26 new memberships and the sale of \$451 in merchandise. We now have 95 members. We should send an email blast to those in the database who've not yet signed up.
 - Calendar: The calendar is filling up.
 - JD is planning a movie night for 6/25. The movie hasn't been selected yet.
 - A Kids' Fishing Derby is scheduled for the morning of 7/16.
 - July 4th: Discussion about the parade. It was decided to start at Main Beach with vehicles and walkers, and to end at the Club House. Hot dogs and hamburgers would be sold. Nick will set up PR.
 - Additional activities include Catfish Derby, Bingo, Yoga on the Beach, Tiki Night, second Movie Night on 7/30, and Paella Night. Volunteer help is needed for all activities.
 - ALD Update – Jim Caines is the new ALD Treasurer. We look forward to a good working relationship with ALD. ALA will receive the annual \$8,000 support from ALD after 7/1.
- Treasurer's Report: Checking account balance at 5/31 was \$3,313, and savings balance was \$6,737. This does not include \$1,351 taken in at the Hot Dog Social, nor the \$8,000 coming from ALD.
- Committee Reports:
 - Club House: No candidates yet for House Manager. There was a rental on June 12, and at least one scheduled for July. The windows and doors in the Club House bathroom need repair, and we've received a bid for \$2,200. There was discussion about keeping the Club House open in winter, and it was

recommended, because of the cost for propane, that it be closed after holiday parties in December, and remain closed through March.

- PR / Communication: Donna outlined the signs that have been prepared for the season.
- Social:
 - There will be a paella night on August 20, with a showing of Mama Mia after. The cost will be \$25. There should be a server at all food truck events to make sure that all attendees receive the same quantity and quality of food.
 - Parking at Club House events is problematic.
- Merchandise: We have a large inventory of unsold merchandise (valued at about \$1,500), so new purchase of inventory this year will be minimal. Having pride-featured shirts was favorably discussed, as was on-demand fulfilment for goods that might have limited appeal.

- Old Business
 - ALA @ 80: Perhaps a birthday celebration in the fall.
 - By-Laws are almost complete. Jim will help John with their completion.
 - House Manager: No interest yet. Also need help with web site administration. Recruitment of a RHAM student is a possibility for this.

- New Business
 - Amy's daughter Nicole has volunteered to be Children's Activities Director. She plans to increase kids' activities on Lake Day, as well as other possible events.
 - Lake Day will be on 8/6, rain date 8/7: We'll have a brunch meeting on Sunday, 7/10, to plan for Lake Day. Volunteer sign-up sheets will be available.
 - John proposed a Holiday Boutique, possibly in September. We could sell ornaments and other gift items.
 - There was discussion about violations of the no-dogs and no-smoking rules, but since those are ALD issues, no action was suggested.

- Nick moved to adjourn, and Mary seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen J. Hinch