**Amston Lake Association – October 13, 2026**
**Monthly Meeting Minutes**
**Clubhouse – 6:30 pm**

**The meeting was called to order at 6:33.**
**Attendees: John Matra, Ann Riley, Karen Hinch, Pam Hogan, Mary Withey, and Maureen Dagon**
**Absent: Nick Salerno**

- **Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes**
  - September Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve by Mary Withey, seconded by Maureen Dagon, approved by all those attending the September meeting. There were none opposed.

- **President's Report**
  - John mentioned that Amston Lake has a scarecrow entered in the Hebron Harvestfest competition on November 24. There will also be a pet costume contest at Harvestfest.
  - With the addition of a previous member's recent renewal, membership has hit 200 for the year!

- **Treasurer's Report**
  - **Account Balances:** Liberty bank $3,211 checking, and $11,124 savings, for a total of $14,335.

  - **Outstanding payments and/or invoices, upcoming expenses**
    - The service contract on the clubhouse furnace will be up for renewal in December.
    - Also in December will be the renewal of our Directors & Officers insurance policy, $650.
    - Venmo charges are 2.9% + $.09/transaction. Ann can tie it to the ALA checking account. Name and description details were discussed. Our photo should be the ALA logo.

- **Committee Reports**

  - **Shed**

    Mary Withey spoke for the new Shed Committee, noting that a lot of stuff was brought to the transfer station. We're looking at a 12x16 Carefree shed, which is currently on sale for $7,495. We probably will not need to pour a foundation, but we may need to get a permit.

  - **Clubhouse**

    - We have several rentals scheduled for the near future: October 17, Halloween, Thanksgiving, December 5.
    - Charlie DeLisle has been doing a good job cleaning the clubhouse when needed.

- The furnace service has been scheduled for early November. There is currently an issue with the furnace in that the blower isn't working. Therefore, Ann will see that the service appointment is moved up to address the issue before Saturday's rental.
- The outside of the clubhouse addition will be painted in the spring.

- **Public Relations / Communications**

  - The sandwich boards have been taken down and stored.
  - We'll order one more sandwich board to highlight each imminent big event.
  - We should have paper versions of the monthly newsletters available outside the clubhouse for members to pick up. Karen Hinch will handle during the season.

- **Events**

  - Chocolate Bingo brought in $890!
  - Oktoberfest was October 3rd, and there were 34 attendees.
  - Weekly yoga and Mahjong, and monthly book club continue.
  - Last month's karaoke night was not as well attended as the previous one, and members thought that one per year may be better.
  - The Holiday Party has been scheduled for December 12. John will check with Hebron Fire Dept. to get a date for Santa's visit. John suggested putting up a live holiday tree on Main Beach prior to that visit, and the idea was well received. He will reach out to ALD.
  - There will not be a Thanksgiving potluck dinner this year.
  - Possible future events include a football party on the day of a popular matchup; morning coffees; and a family fall square dance next year.

- **New Business -** None

- **Next meeting: November 10, 2026**. It will be the last meeting until March. We no longer have a Zoom account, but we may be able to use ALD's account.

- **Adjourn –** Mary Withey moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:00, Ann Riley seconded. All were in favor.

**Respectfully,**

**Karen Hinch**
**Secretary**