Lake Carey Welfare Association May 19, 2024

President Lewis Flinn welcomed everyone and introduced the board members. The minutes were read and two minor changes were made. The minutes were approved as read.

Sewer Update

We are moving the sewers off of our agenda as the sewers are done, If you are experiencing any problems call the Sewer Authority. It is time to move on to our 5 year plan. More to come later in the meeting.

Treasurer's report

Bank Accounts

Checking – General \$5,274.20

Savings - Dam \$5.00

Total - \$5279,.20

Lake Carey Dam Association Accounts

Checking - \$24,112.38

Savings - \$68,416.09

6-monthe CD - \$50,491.80

Total - \$142,528.47

The audit was not done over the winter, but will be done soon prior to the next meeting.

Membership

2024 – 42 paid to date and 2 Paid for 2025

Fund Raising

All fund raising will be under the Lake Carey Dam Association as per advice of the accountant. The Golf Tournament is set for June 10, 2024. All sponsorships have been filled. There are 32 teams out of a possible 36. The goal is to raise \$16, 000 this year. There have been donations of a few large items for the raffle as well as baskets.

Lake Carey Day planning is off to a good start. There are 17 craft vendors, two food trucks, gift baskets, the corn hole competition. We are looking for someone to sponsor this for \$450.00. Hopefully Dave Reinheimer will run the Poker Run. The Walk and Find will be run by Rhonda Trosky assisted by Deb Switzer and Carrie Burke will coordinate the morning race.

Dam Update

Our plan has still not been approved but they are saying the cost will now be about \$428,000. We expect it to take about three months to complete. The small lake needs to be drained and a coffer put at the bridge. We do not know what time of year this will be done. Our County Commissioners Rick Wilbur

and Ernie King have been working to help us apply for the many grants that are available through the state. They generously gave us \$25,000. With the help of Representative Tina Pickett, we have applied for a \$237,000 grant that will be sponsored by Tunkhannock Township on paper. We are pleased with the support we are getting from our officials. However, the design still needs to be approved.

One of the missions of the LCWA is being environmentally responsible. We need to look at joining PA Lake Management Society (PALMS). Princeton Hydro has in the past helped with the Growing Greener Grant. Jessica Fiore is a water management specialist from Penn State Extension. She talked to the membership about educating homeowners on lake water quality, storm water runoff and invasive plants. The extension office can offer help with water testing, watershed conservation projects and even bacterial testing. She will have a table at Lake Carey Day to further explain these important educational opportunities.

New Business

We need to begin thinking about the future of the LCWA. Increasing membership is important. We will have a welcoming committee, barn bashes as a way to get to know new people and your neighbors and be asking people to become more involved.

A motion was made to spend \$220.00 to join PALMS. Motion approved. Another motion was made to join the Wyoming County Chamber of Commerce at a cost of \$175.00, the motion to join was approved.

Old Business

Deb Tierney presented an envelope full of old meeting notes, newspaper articles, etc that need to be put into a scrapbook or something else to preserve them. Alan and Trish Thatcher volunteered to do this.

Our next meeting will be on June 9, 2024. A motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Skrynski, Secretary