LICA General Meeting Minutes

July 19th, 2025

Attending: Michael Houlihan, Jane Oldfield-Spearman, Jono Morini, Dave Backman, Zoe Spearman, Marty Bruno, Brad Brown

Michael began the meeting at 9:09am.

Summary

Standing Business: Secretary's Report and Treasure's Report – held until August meeting when we have a quorum. Jono noted that the Pickleball fundraiser is nearly finished and the account will be closed once the expenses have all been made.

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LICA Sponsored Events: The meeting covered updates on the 4th of July parade, which was well-attended and organized by Marie Harmon, and the placement of a porta-potty by the VFW Hall which cost approximately $205. The Linda Papkee Picnic will be held on July 20th. It looks like it will have to be held at the Community Center due to inclement weather. Sarah La Chance is managing the sandcastle contest once again this year. CBL Appreciation Day is Wednesday, August 20. Eva Morse is organizing this again this year.

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Nominating Committee – Catlin was not in attendance but she shared following update on the process in an email to explain which positions are coming up for renewal. Jane and Michael noted that their two positions and two at-large members (Dawn Marie and Catlin) are up for election. Michael plans to step down from the presidency. Jane expressed interest in staying active on the board and potentially taking over the presidency, while Marty may continue as VP. Zoe Spearman has agreed to join the Board as the new Recording Secretary. Catlin plans to resign from the Board so a new member at large will be needed as well as someone to take on the role of Nominating Committee Chair. There is also a need for someone to take over the Tiny Murphy award next year – Karen has offered to take this on. Catlin will continue to work on the slate for the August Annual meeting. There is a need to create job descriptions for each of the Board roles so that people understand their responsibilities.

Membership Committee- Karen Simmons was not in attendance and no report was made. It was suggested that LICA have a presence at the VFW Fair (August 9) or Lobster Boat Races (August 16) to encourage people to renew their memberships.

Property Committee- Jane reports we have not heard on the outcome of the Maine DEP coastal sand dunes grand application yet and that we are awaiting an answer from the DEP to our permit request to install storm fencing. The group noted significant greening of the area below the dune grass, suggesting they might consider moving the exclusion fencing further down the beach towards the water. It was decided to hold off on this for now it due to high visitor usage. The paths to Fowlers are quite over grown. Brad Brown offered to trim them. The large wire that is sometimes exposed at low tide needs to be cut down as it is a hazard. Dave Backman offered to do this.

Jono reports that 4 new grills were purchased after an email motion was approved on 6/24/25 by the Board to spend $2,000 for this purpose. Dave Backman arranged for the purchase and shipping of the grills to the island. Jono also offered to check on the ice rink in the sheds to see if it should be disposed of.

TD Bank and Website Issues

The group discussed issues with TD Bank regarding account access and signatory requirements, with Jonathan noting they would resubmit paperwork and potentially need to visit the bank together. Jono plans to meet with TD Bank on Tuesday to process paperwork for Karen and Penny's signature rights and deposit rights The group also addressed the legacy website situation, with David reporting they couldn't contact the hosting company and Michael noting the current website is on Wix, while the old one from 2012 remains active. Michael will contact Margo regarding the old legacy website hosting issue.

LICA Post office Box – David is concerned that there may be a need to renew this at the post office. Jono will check with Karen Simmons about this.

Annual Meeting – Saturday, August 30, 9am in person at the Community Center. Michael will reserve the room and Jono will make arrangements to have equipment in place so that the meeting can be held on Zoom as well.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:15am

Minutes submitted by Jane Oldfield-Spearman