

Lake Chaffee Improvement Association, Inc.
Board of Directors, Special Meeting
Wednesday, July 30, 2003
7:00pm, Chaffee Hall

Attendees: Laura Koropatkin, Kay Warren, Deb Coulombe, Jack Pirzl, Eugenie Bagley, Sandra Moquin, Dennis Flaherty, Deanna Soja, Tom Martin

Alternates: John Noll, Elaine Burns, Sharon Bickford

Public Attendees: Harry Bagley, Donna Berkey, Linda Parent, Lou Ann Frost, Rich Rodrigue

Laura Koropatkin called the meeting to order at 7:08pm

Kay Warren made a motion to have the public be heard, Eugenie Bagley seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

Public Heard: Harry Bagley questioned why the Board of Directors wants to send out a survey about continuing or disbanding the Charter Revision Commission. He feels the commission covers more than Home Rule, the commission has not yet answered all the questions asked, or provided enough information to disband it. Harry feels that the Charter Revision Commission has more homework to do, and that it is obligated to do the job it was put in place to do. He stated that there should be a middle ground met.

Kay Warren stated that she felt the commission had already answered a lot of questions. She also stated that it was an issue that should have gone out to the members of the association for the majority to vote on as whether the Charter Revision Commission should be set up in the first place. That was not allowed to happen. Kay also felt that the Charter Revision Commission was set up exclusively for Home Rule. In talking to some association members, who are not interested in Home Rule, she feels the majority of the association members should have a vote as to whether it should continue or disband.

John Noll feels that the commission is operating under the rules set up by the Constitution. Yes, it was formed under Article 10 of the Constitution which includes Home Rule, but the guidelines state the commission can consider other options. John is also questioning if a Commission, put together by one Board of Directors for 16 months, can be dissolved by a new Board of Directors. Is it legal? Where is the documentation that it can be done?

Linda Parent asked how people can fill out the survey without the proper information? Will information be provided to members about Home Rule before a vote is taken? Is the survey being done in conjunction with the Charter Revision Commission?

Linda Parent introduced Lou Ann Frost, a new member to the association. Linda suggested that any leftover T-Shirts be advertised at the store. Laura stated it is advertised on the web site. Linda said she clicked on it and nothing came up. Laura felt the advertisement must have just been taken off of the web site. Linda also asked if all proceeds from the T-Shirt sale have been handed over? Laura and Jack both stated yes they had been.

Secretary's Report: Jack Pirzl made a motion to accept the minutes of July 9, 2003. Eugenie Bagley seconded. All in favor, 2 abstained. Motion passed.

Treasurer Report: Jack noted that because of the date of this meeting actual figures will change. Jack stated we should receive approximately a \$300.00 refund due to the undetection of the terrorism clause that was combined with the fire clause. It was suggested that we up the deductible from \$500.00 to \$1000.00. While this will give a considerable price break on insurance cost, while we could also face a possible \$1300.00 increase in our overall insurance cost. Kay made a motion to accept the Treasurers Report. Eugenie Bagley seconded. All in favor. 1 abstained. Motion passed.

2003/2004 Budget: Proposed budget for tax increase up to \$80.00 and \$100.00 was passed around. Jack stated he would like to put together a proposed budget for \$125.00. It would bring in another \$6000.00 into the budget. Line items were discussed, questions answered. A \$1.00 line item was added for special water testing, and for possible Charter Revision Commission expenses to hold a line item open. Same was done for News Letter and for Road Bond. It was determined what should be increased and what could be decreased. Discussion took place on how to present proposed budget to association members. Some board members felt it was important to show association members why the budget needs to increase by showing line item amounts side by side, that is show what services will be possible by showing a \$50.00 budget compared to a \$100.00 and a \$125.00 budget. Kay Warren made a motion to propose a \$50.00, \$100.00 and a \$125.00 budget to association members. Jack PirzI seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

Survey to continue or discontinue the Charter Revision Commission for Home Rule: Proposed survey passed around. Comments made concerning proposed survey:

Not enough information on survey.

Change the parameters of the Commission Board.

Rules for Article 10 are being followed under the constitution.

Association members do not understand Home Rule.

Board was asked to find out information about Home Rule. More facts are needed.

Information was given out at the 2 previous annual meetings

Not all members come to meetings.

Seems to be a lot of confusion.

Body of people want more information.

The commission board needs to get facts straight.

Let the commission board do their job.

A suggestion was made to have the Board of Directors have the Charter Revision Commission give a final report by a certain date (date to be determined), upon acceptance or rejection of the final report, the Board of Directors will ask the members of the association to vote on whether to terminate or ask the commission to continue. It was asked that a date be determined for a final report on August agenda.

Kay Warren made a motion to accept proposed survey.

No second.

Motion dropped.

Appointment of Chairmans:

Beach Chairman: Kay Warren made a motion to nominate Sandra Moquin. Deanna Soja seconded. All in favor. Motion Passed.

Bingo Chairman: Dennis Flaherty made a motion to nominate Jack PirzI. Kay Warren seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

Environmental Chairman: Dennis Flaherty made a motion to nominate Gay Leedie (if nomination is accepted). Tom Martin seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

Sandra Moquin stated that she preferred lab from Columbia Environmental come out to do the water testing. It was also asked to have Mothers beach tested. Testing should be done every 2 weeks. Sandra also asked that she be given a copy of report so she can have the answers when asked. It was also stated that the results be posted. Last test done Chloroform high. E Coli was O.K.

Fund Raising Chairman: Kay Warren made a motion to nominate Laura Koropatkin. Jack Pirzl seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

Constable Chairman: Kay Warren made a motion to table constable election. Deb Coulombe seconded. All in favor. 1 abstained. Motion passed.

Comments as to why motion was tabled:

Would like to see constable chairman stopped.

\$300.00 in salary and \$310.00 in health insurance that could be used in other areas of budget.

State Police are called if problems arise.

Charter says that position can be or does not have to be filled.

Issue to be brought up at a public meeting. Association members should be made aware and have a chance to vote on it.

Issue to be put on agenda for August 17, 2003 Annual Budget meeting.

Road Chairman: Kay Warren made a motion to nominate Gerry Dufresne (if nomination is accepted). Tom Martin seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

A suggestion was made to add an assistant to help Gerry out. Most members agreed.

Kay Warren made a motion to nominate Rich Rodrigue as Assistant Road Chairman. Dennis Flaherty seconded. All in favor. 1 opposed. Motion passed.

Recreation Chairman: Kay Warren made a motion to nominate Debbie Coulombe. Deb Coulombe declined. Motion made to table Recreation Chairman. It was seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

A sign up list will be at the next meeting for members to volunteer for the different committees.

Items to include in mailing:

Agenda

Budget proposal

News Letter

Old Business: Deanna Soja wants to add an agenda item for next meeting so that more members can be added to the Charter Revision Commission. She stated that there was room for 3 more members plus 1 board member.

Sandra Moquin showed the Lake Chaffee Improvement Association "A Private Lake Community" sign. Two will be posted. Association is waiting for a permit due any day to post signs.

Bingo is in need of workers for the floor and the kitchen. Jack will train. Jack also stated that he would like to train someone to fill in for Bingo Saturday nights in case of illness or emergency.

New Business: None

A motion was made to adjourn. It was seconded. All in favor. Motion Passed
Meeting adjourned at 9:20pm

D. Coulombe
Secretary

Date Approved:
