



Leaser Lake Heritage Foundation, Inc.

Dedicated to the Restoration and Preservation of Leaser Lake

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The meeting of the Leaser Lake Heritage Foundation was held on 5/9/06 at 7:00pm in the New Tripoli Fire Company social hall, Decatur Street, New Tripoli PA. In attendance were Board members George White, Marc Grammes, Harry Burger, Vic Miscio and Janice Bortz.

Motion by Harry Burger, seconded by Vic Miscio to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2006 meeting with one correction: change "compose toilets" to "compost toilets". Motion carried.

Motion by Marc Grammes, seconded by Vic Miscio to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

The Board agreed to remove "public comment on agenda items" from future agendas.

George White created membership cards for the Foundation's charter members.

Harry Burger read from a letter received from Terry Wuchter, the great, great, great grandson of Frederick Leaser who supports our efforts to repair the dam and revitalize the lake property. Mr. Wuchter donated \$100 to the Foundation. A Buckeye Pipeline employee sent in a \$200.00 check which was a total of employee contributions with a company match.

David Najarian suggested the Board create a fact sheet with frequently asked questions about the lake and also create a certificate to be given to businesses who donate.

The Development / Planning Committee will meet the first Wednesday of the month at 7pm. The location will be decided prior to the meetings. The committee will work with the PA Fish and Boat Commission regarding the de-mobilization and filling of the lake. George White was in contact with Richard Mulfingher of the PFBC about the status of the engineering report for the repair of the dam.

The Facilities Committee working with Jan Creedon from Lehigh County who will submit the grant application for the Foundation regarding new restrooms at the lake.

The Public Relations Committee needs more members. Dave Reitz and John Halasulski handed out membership applications at the lake on the first day of fishing.

David Najarian reported that the Historical / Data Committee met and all members have been assigned tasks to collect various lake information. Any photos or information about the lake may be forwarded to a committee member or Board member for cataloging. Photos could be scanned and then returned to the owner.

Dave Evans reported that the Events / Activities Committee met and compiled a list of possible events to attend and activities to be held at the lake.

John Getty from Aurora Displays was present to explain the traveling information display his company would create for the Foundation at cost. The Board decided to review the information and vote by email or phone on the proposal.

Harry Burger expressed his opinion of the funding of Brady's Lake dam repair in Monroe County. He asked for immediate assistance from our state representatives. He said he would write a letter to the editor of local papers and asked everyone to do the same.

Janice Bortz and Marc Grammes agreed that the Foundation needs to create a capital campaign package to be used when contacting businesses, organizations, the media and local, county and state representatives. George White suggested a slogan for the lake, "The Crown Jewel of Lehigh County, just add water".

Mr. Bohrer, a writer for the Reading Eagle, suggested contacting Roger Mallon who has an outdoorsmen radio show and Donna Kistler the program director from TV 13. The Foundation may be able to get free on air coverage.

Public Comment: Audience members asked if membership in the Foundation held voting privileges. The Board decided that at this time only Board members would have a vote. Member's opinions and suggestions would be taken into consideration. In the future a newsletter may be mailed or emailed to members and members would be notified of meetings. A sample "letter of support" will be created for use by members when requesting donations from organizations and businesses.

Motion by Janice Bortz, seconded by Harry Burger to adjourn the meeting at 9:15pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice M. Bortz
Secretary