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LAPORTE YACHT CLUB MINUTES

Date: February 8, 2021

Meeting called to order at: 6:00 PM.

Officers and Directors Present: Verna Wiles, Matt Collins, Lori Cooper, Shellie Kermin, Jeff Matusik, Bill Sightes, Seth Spenser, and Jim Taschler,

Members Present: Bill Wilmsen

Reading of minutes: Minutes approved as printed in the January News Buoy. Motion to approve was made by Verna Wiles, seconded by Lori Cooper. All in favor-motion carried.

Secretary's Report, Shellie Kermin: Current members are 211. New Members, Matt Collins:

2nd reads: Rob Lower

1st read: Greg Laka, Mike Schultz, and Leland Travis

Motion to accept new members was made by Verna Wiles, seconded by Shellie Kermin. All in favor, motion carried. WELCOME NEW MEMBERS, CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU AT THE CLUB!

Treasurer's Report, Lori Cooper: Treasurer's Report for December was presented. Discussion held. Motion to approve was made by Shellie Kermin, seconded by Jim Taschler. All in favor, motion carried.

Building and grounds, Jeff Matusik: Thank you to Jeff Matusik for investigating and getting a professional hired to find the cause and alleviate the odor in the restroom area. Unfortunately we had a bird in the vent pipe that was causing the smell and preventing proper venting.

Programs, Shellie Kermin: Volunteers are always needed to make our events the best they can be! To volunteer, please email or call Shellie Kermin, <u>tskermin@gmail.com</u> or 219-575-1616. The 2021 Calendar of Events is being created and we are always open to ideas and suggestions.

Wednesday, March 17th – St. Patrick's Corn Beef and Cabbage Dinner, 4 – 8 pm. (No Tuesday night dinner that week)

Saturday, March 27th – March Madness Martini Party, 4 – 10 pm

Sunday, March 28th -- LPYC Bowling Bash, Casey's Lanes at 1:00 pm, with prizes and drinks following at the club.

Kitchen Committee, Verna Wiles and Chef Yvonne: NEW FOR FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS...PRIME RIB AND SEAFOOD SELECTIONS WILL BE OFFERED EVERY FRIDAY!! Please continue to come support your club in these winter months! Chef Yvonne Mueller offers a dinner special every Tuesday, Friday, and every other Saturday from noon to 6. So far the food has been delicious and members are giving great reviews and having great fun! Watch your News Buoy, Facebook LPYC Members Only page, and the white board at the club for the specials.

Pier Committee, Jim Taschler: Jim is finalizing our 2021 Pier Plan. We have a long waiting list and only one or two members not renewing. If you have any questions please contact Jim at taschlerj4533@comcast.net.

Contribution Committee, Kim Rehlander: We were asked to help with a Snowmobile Poker Float which was held this past weekend. Unfortunately with the current Covid restrictions we were unable to accommodate the number of participants. Instead, the club made a donation of \$150.00 to the Leukemia Lymphoma Society on behalf of Bella. Continue to fight sweet girl!!

Unfinished business: Your Board has been looking at ways of reducing our expenses while still enhancing our offerings. Thank you to Seth Spenser who is installing a new Wi-Fi router in order to increase the speed, and decrease our monthly Comcast invoices by returning their outdated routers.

New business: Discussion was held to change the timing of approval of new members from the next month's meeting to the current month; i.e. approvals within the same meeting as the applicants are presented. The Board will be voting on this in March, so please let us know your opinions. You can email Verna at https://www.lpw.commodore@gmail.com, call her at 219-575-5718, or please come to our next Board meeting, March 8, 2021 at 6 pm.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by, Shellie Kermin, seconded by Matt Collins. All in favormotion carried.

Meeting adjourned at: 8: 10 PM.

Next meeting: Monday, March 8, 2021 at 6:00 PM. All members are welcome.

Commodore Letter

Where did this month go? I guess I shouldn't complain we're that much closer to spring and being able to enjoy the warmer weather outside.

Our News Buoy has been undergoing some updates. I hope you like the Events Box on the back side of the newsletter. Also, some of the advertisements have been removed and others updated. As you can see, we still have a couple of spots open. If you'd like to advertise your business kindly drop off your business card and a check for \$65.00. This fee is paid annually and covers the expenses associated with preparing and sending out the New Buoy each month.

Yvonne has been working on preparing great menus and food for all of us. The board has decided to serve Prime Rib and a fish or shrimp special every Friday beginning on March 5th! We're also adding a Black Russian and Pork Tenderloin sandwich to our general menu as well.

All boat slips have been rented for the 2021 season. If you haven't already received your Boat Slip Contract, please notify Jim Taschler at taschlerj4533@comcast.net.

Lastly, we are trying to improve our lines of communication with our members. If you're not already aware, we have a member's only page on Facebook. It can be found at LPYC Members only. If you're not already a member of this group we hope you will be soon. Just go to the page and click on the Join Group button. We are also looking to update all of our member's contact information. A flyer will be attached when the News Buoy is emailed to you. Please take a moment, review the flyer and provide us with any updated information you'd like to share. You can also review the current information we have on file by stopping by the club. Our fabulous bartenders will have the master list and you can update your information easily. If you have any questions or concerns just let myself or Shellie Kermin know. Your contact information is kept private and is never shared outside the club. Shellie can be reached at tskermin@gmail.com and I can be reached at lpyc.commodore@gmail.com.

I hope to see you at the club. It's a great place to be!!!

Respectfully,

Verna Wiles

