

LAPORTE YACHT CLUB MINUTES

Date: November 13th, 2023

Meeting called to order at: 5:01 PM

Members and Directors Present: Jeff Matusik, Matt Collins, Lori Cooper, Jed Runnells, Jeff Nelson, Kevin Nelson, Seth Spencer and Helen Metcalf.

Members Present: Shawn Nelson, Brandi Collins, Verna Wiles, Bob Wiles, Bill Yoder, Yvonne Mueller

Reading of Minutes: Minutes were approved in the October News Buoy. Motion to approve was made by Jeff Matusik, seconded by Lori Cooper.

Treasurer's Report, Lori Cooper: Motion to approve Matt Collins, seconded by Jed Runnells. The online quick books is up and running and working great. Looking into getting rid of Hulu live since we have YouTube with the football package, and we don't need to keep paying for both. Also talked about looking into a short-term CD with some of the money in the savings account.

Building and Grounds, Jed Runnells: Saturday 11/18/23 at 8 am Jed, Jeff Nelson, Jeff Matusik and Matt along with anyone else that comes are going to use a lift Matt Collins will have next door to put up sheeting and finish the siding on the peaks of the building. Kevin will ask a plumber he knows to stop by and provide an estimate to replace the rest of the piping under the building that is the original cast iron, replacing with PVC. Matt also said he too would look at the job if needed. Jeff and Jed reminded everyone Swanel plans to replace the lines for the system in the spring.

Gambling machine slot #5 has been jamming. Jed cleaned the belts, and it seems to be better however the machine is old and starting to have more issues. Lori and Seth also stated that the recent tickets that we have are poor quality and they may also not help the jamming issue. Jed will replace the last 2017 version iPad in the spring for the deck. It was decided that this old version was the cause of the system failures last season with the credit card machine/internet.

The outside security cameras have been installed and are operational.

The inside ice machine will have maintenance done on Wednesday 11/15 by Lori's son Michael.

Programs, Helen Metcalf:

November 19th, 2023 – Home for the Holidays

Many local businesses have donated items to be raffled off. There will be a table set up to purchase balls for the raffle. There are 100 numbered balls. Each ball will cost \$5 each. The drawing for the prizes will be done Saturday 11/25 at the club.

Shawn Nelson has also started a sunset photo contest and will also be choosing the winners on 11/25. Submit your sunset photos on Facebook and mention Shawn in the comments so she sees them! They must be sunset photos taken at the club/pine lake.

Some of the members are donating hot dogs (Tom Robinson/Ludwigs) and chili (Verna Wiles) that will be sold for cash at the club. All proceeds from the chili and hotdogs and the vendor tables will go to Center Township Trustees.

Yvonne has offered to donate her time to sell the hot dogs and chili and will also be cooking appetizers from our menu that can be purchased from the bartender if anyone is hungry.

There will be a lot of great vendors and the club will be offering a bloody mary and mimosa bar as well that will be set up for self-serve after you purchase your alcohol from the bartender.

November 25th, 2023 – Holiday Kickoff Party – Raffle Drawing/Sunset Photo Contest Winners announced then Jesse Lee Three Band (7:00 – 10:00 pm)

November 26th, 2023 – Noon – 5:00 pm Pre-sale Drive thru Dinner (Spaghetti & Meatballs or Alfredo) Fundraiser for the Pop Warner Football Team (more details to come – watch Facebook or ask a Board Member about tickets)

December 3rd, 2023 – Tailgate and Toys for Tots – Starts at 9:00 am

December 9th, 2023 – Christmas Party/Gift Exchange

December 10th, 2023 – Wine School (Sold Out) The club will NOT be open to members who did not a ticket to attend the wine school

New Members, Matt Collins: See List. WELCOME NEW MEMBERS, CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU AT THE CLUB! **New Members,**George Rocchin ,Paul, Richey,Thomas Robinson,Kody Kubik,John Kalinowski,Rex Bull

Kitchen Committee, Matt Collins: Yvonne requested lights be installed above the area in front of the kitchen door where she sets up for pizza and pasta night as it is very dark and hard to work after the sun goes down.

Pier Committee, Jeff Nelson: Jeff and some of the other board members are working on a new contract for the dock slips for 2024.

Changes to include:

A new/revised section detailing the rules of underage alcohol consumption.

A new/revised section detailing the rules on no commercial use of the docks.

A new/revised section detailing the rules on the temporary use of a dock by a non-dock slip renter.

A new section detailing the rules prohibiting the transfer of a dock slip with the sale of a boat.

Contribution Committee: Nothing to report

New Business: Starting January 2024 membership and dock rental invoices will be emailed to the members. This email will provide you with the opportunity to either pay your bill online or print out your invoice and mail or hand deliver your payments to the club. If you believe that your email address may be incorrect or would like your invoices to go to another the club does not have on file please contact Lori Cooper or another board member to make that change for you.

Dave Lewis submitted an estimate to upgrade the dock entry so that it is ADA compliant. Jeff Nelson is going to reach out and get more of the scope of work as the estimate did not offer a lot of description and discuss again at the next meeting.

There are a few members that did not pay their dues that were up in May, June. These members will be removed from the membership roster per the decision of the majority of the board. Members that were due in July, August and September and did not pay their membership will be discussed at the December board meeting.

2024 Proposed Board Commodore – Matt Collins Vice Commodore – Jed Runnells Treasurer – Lori Cooper, Secretary – Brandi Collins, Rear Commodore – Jeff Matusik Directors: Kevin Nelson Seth Spencer, Jeff Nelson, Fred Gerzon

Old Business: Discussed putting winter hours into effect. Agreed on times did not decide a date. (Need to confirm with Matt Collins and Jeff Matusik).

Monday: Closed Tuesday: 4:00 – 8:00pm Wednesday: 4:00 – 8:00pm Thursday: 4:00 – 8:00pm Friday: 4:00 – 10:00pm Saturday: 4:00 – 9:00pm Sunday Noon – 6:00pm

Paul Rohl and Brad Ake asked about joining the Yachting Club of America to allow members to use more clubs around the country. The board discussed and decided that if they would like to pay for the additional cost to join that one instead of the one we are currently in they could provide payment for the difference to the club and the club would submit the application for that association.

Secretary's Report, Dave Ambers: 310 members

Motion to adjourn by: Matt Collins, seconded by Jeff Nelson.

All in favor-motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at: 7:36 pm

New meeting: December 11th, 2023 at 6:00 pm. All members are welcome.

Commodore Letter

Hello Mates,

I hope all are well and ready for winter. Things are slowing down here for the next couple months but we still have fun events to do please watch for the emails and look at upcoming things that are posted on our boards. We are open for Sunday football games, stop in and relax. We will be slower inside at the bar seeing many leave for the warmer states down south. Please keep supporting the club thru the winter.

There are a lot of families in need we as a club have donated 10s of thousands of dollars and items to organizations over the years. We are now collecting for Toys for Tots, you can drop off a New unwrapped toy at the club or make a cash donation if you'd like. Our home for the holiday money went to local families in need and we do other things to help out local kids organizations also. I am proud of all the people we have been able to help and our board is always looking for any suggestions on charities and we greatly thank all of you that support these.

I always strive to better our club, we are not like other public bars, us being a private Yacht club we need to keep our standards high as the other Yacht Clubs are throughout the states. We are a big family, as winter and the holidays approach us lets keep our friends and family in our thoughts that need help or going thru some tough times, Caring, loving and respectful are what makes people better.

We have some more upgrades planned for next year already and look forward to them, we always look for volunteers to help out with things as they come up and will keep you posted.

I'd like to wish all of you Happy and safe Holidays.

Your commodore Jeff Matusik Laporteyachtclub.commodore@gmail.com Jeffmatusik@yahoo.com



LPYC Upcoming Events

Sunday December 3rd

Tailgate Party & Toys for Tots Collection 9am

Saturday December 9th

Holiday Get Together Pajama Party & Gift Exchange (25.00 per person) Bring a Dish to Share

Sunday December 10th

Wine School ****Bar will not be open****

Sunday December 31^{et}

New Years Eve Watch for more details

Looking forward to seeing everyone LPYC– The BEST Place to Be!



Upcoming Meals LaPorte Yacht Club



MEAL OFFERING All Friday's Dinner Menu includes Prime Rib (except during steak fry)

Friday, December 1st- Fish & Chips

Tuesday, December 5th – Taco's

Friday, December 8th – Walleye

Tuesday, December 12th – Pasta

Friday, December 15th – Salmon

Tuesday, December 19th – Pizza

Friday, December 22nd – Perch

December 26th and 29th – kitchen closed

