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LAPORTE YACHT CLUB MINUTES

Date: 3/11/2024

Meeting called to order at: 6:00 pm

Members and Directors Present: Matt Collins, Jed Runnells, Lori Cooper, Brandi Collins, Jeff

Matusik, Jeff Nelson, Kevin Nelson (via phone) and Fred Gerzon.

Members Present: Shawn Nelson, Steve Osborne, Yvonne Mueller and Mia Toschi

Reading of Minutes: Minutes were approved in the February News Buoy.

Motion to approve was made by Lori Cooper, seconded by Brandi Collins.

All in favor-motion carried. Approved.

Treasurer's Report, Lori Cooper:

Motion to approve was made by Jed Runnells, seconded by Jeff Nelson.

Building and Grounds, Jed Runnells/Jeff Matusik:

- Jed is waiting on a nice day to power wash the underside of the outside bar to prep it to be painted.
- Jed and Matt are still making plans to give the men's restroom a makeover.
- Coming up in April Swanel will be replacing the beverage lines and the windows will be washed.
- The kitchen hoods are being cleaned this week and there is a fire inspection scheduled as well

Events Committee, Shawn Nelson/Brandi Collins:

Shawn is working on details for the summer events and getting info out to the membership in the upcoming days for the events coming up in April. Sign ups will start this week for the Club Breakfast being held April 14th. The last ticket sales will be April 9th to give Yvonne time to purchase the food and get enough volunteers together to help.

New Members, Matt Collins: New membership is currently closed. A waiting list is being complied as people submit applications. There are currently 10 members on the waiting list.

Kitchen Committee, Fred Gerzon:

The club needs to purchase additional salad bowls and plates to replace the old, damaged ones and increase our stock to get ready for the upcoming summer season.

Yvonne is in desperate need for help in the kitchen. Actively looking but has not had much luck. If you know anyone looking for some part time work, please reach out to her. Volunteers are always welcome and greatly appreciated. Volunteers will receive a complimentary dinner for their efforts.

Pier Committee, Jeff Nelson:

The tentative date to get the docks in is set for April 13th weather depending! To volunteer to help reach out to Jeff Nelson as we get closer to confirm the plan!

Jeff received a few estimates to put the poles in and out this year and the board voted to go with a new company this year that is offering to commit to a 3-year contract with pricing locked in for the length of the commitment. Motion to approve was made by Brandi Collins, seconded by Lori Cooper.

Contribution Committee, Kevin Nelson:

A donation is being made to the local animal shelter.

Kevin is working on a possible adoption day to take place in the parking lot of the club with the animal shelter.

The board discussed and voted that this year's contributions from the poker floats in June and August will be donated to two new causes, Blindness Awareness and the local VFW programs. Proposed by Kevin Nelson and Shawn Nelson. Motion to approve was made by Matt Collins, seconded by Brandi Collins.

New Business:

There will be a boater safter course being held at the club on May 19th from 9-4.

Old Business:

A new official Facebook page for members only is going to be created and linked to the commodore email that is ran and maintained by active board members and employees only to ensure that the club information and details are accurate, up to date and only current members are on the page. Posts will be monitored by the active board members to ensure only content that pertains to the club and its activities are posted. The plan is to have it up and running no later than next week once it is done notice will be sent in the following weekly email. This page will be where all the upcoming food and events will be posted.

Secretary's Report, Brandi Collins: Membership: 316

Motion to adjourn by: Matt Collins seconded by Fred Gerzon.

All in favor-motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at: 8:14 pm

New meeting: April 8th, 2024 at 6:00 pm. All members are welcome.

COMMODORE'S LETTER

Ahoy Members,

We are fast approaching the boating season and the opening of the Big Deck. We have had some teaser warm days scattered in over the last few weeks. I know most of us can't wait for them to last.

We have a tentative date scheduled for the docks to be installed. April 13th will be our first try to get them in. So please mark your calendar anyone who can and will be there to help. Any help is greatly appreciated!

Our Queen of Diamonds drawing has been a big success so far. Based upon last night's attendance, it will continue to be an even bigger success. There wasn't an open parking spot by drawing time.

Our Event's Committee has been working on a lot of fun events for the club. Headlined and back by popular demand, "Bingo" night. The current schedule is attached here in the Buoy.

See you at the club! Cheers!

Thank you all!

Your Commodore.

Matt Collins



MEAL OFFERING

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

Tuesday, April 2nd - Chicken Oscar & Menu

Friday, April 5th – Fish Fry

Tuesday, April 9th – Kitchen Closed

Friday, April 12th – Walleye

Tuesday, April 16th - Taco's, Birra Taco's + Appetizers

Friday, April 19th - Catfish

Tuesday, April 23rd – Pasta & Lasagna

Friday, April 26th – Perch

Tuesday, April 30th – Pizza + Appetizers



UPCOMING EVENTS March 15th St. Patrick's Day Menu

March 17th St. Patrick's Day & Sunday Fun

Day with Games and Food Special

March 24th - Club is CLOSED

March 31st - Club is CLOSED

April 6th Martini Madness

April 7th Sunday Fun Day Game Day – Bring a Dish (Kitchen is CLOSED)

April 9th – Tuesday - Kitchen is CLOSED

April 13th Interior Spring Clean Up & Dock Installation (weather depending)

April 27th BINGO