

Waterman Lions Club
Minutes January 9, 2014, Business Meeting

President Lion Steve Bock called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room at KishHealth Center in Waterman. Lion Bob Bend led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call showed nine members present. They were Lions Craig Rice, Dave Stryker, Steve Bock, Jeff Weber, Shawn Blobaum, Warren Sommerfeld, Bob Bend, Mark Fenske and Norm Gaston.

The secretary's report was distributed. Lion Mark Fenske moved to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Lion Dave Stryker seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Lion Bob Bend present the treasurer's report. It showed income totaling \$14,181.51. Most of it came from Gobbler Gallop 5K donations and entry fees, but some also came from dues, Pancake Breakfast, Christmas Tree Sales and Citrus Fruit Sales. Expenses totaled \$14,057.93. Much of it came from costs of putting on the 5K run. Other disbursements included donations to LIF for Candy Day, Lions college scholarships and Ski-for-Sight. Some expenses were for land rent for the Tractor Show, cost of Christmas Trees, and a number of other administrative costs. Balance on hand in checking is \$16,424.42. Balance on hand in savings and certificates of deposit total \$9,252.32. Balance on hand in all funds total \$25,676.74.

President Lion Steve declared the treasurer's report approved as presented.

Correspondence

Three items were shared:

- A thank-you letter from KishHealth System Foundation for our club's donation of \$100 towards the Friend for Life 100 campaign;
- A solicitation letter from Northern Illinois Conference for Parent of Children with Visual Impairments asking for a donation to support two planned conferences that will provide resource information pertinent for parents with children who are blind or visually impaired; and
- Two newsletters—*the Lions Share*, A newsletter from the Lions Project for Canine Companions for Independence, 2014 Winter Edition; and *The Companion*, Winter 2013, North Central Edition, Canine Companions for Independence.

President's Comments

Lion Steve said he spent five days in the hospital recovering from pneumonia. He appreciated the good wishes he got from members.

Old Business

Gobbler Gallop: Lion Mark Fenske move to pay \$100 to Morgan Osnes for designing this year's t-shirt. Lion Warren Sommerfeld seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Lion Mark moved to give \$50 to the Waterman Fire Department, \$200 to Indian Creek School Band and \$200 to DeKalb County Sheriff's Auxiliary. Lion Shawn Blobaum seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Tree Sales: Lion Warren said there were 22 unsold trees, mostly 6-footers. He said buyers wanted taller tree this year. People walked off with a number of trees without paying or left just a nominal amount of money in the self-serve payment envelopes. The sales lot will need raking when the snow melts to dispose of needles and small branches.

Pancake Breakfast: Lion Bob Bend said 273 people dropped tickets in the collection container. Net income before Lions share was \$1,398.00. Lions get the first \$500, the rest goes to the Boy Scout troop.

Citrus Fruit Sales: Lion Dave Stryker said the project cleared over \$300.00. He said next year he may consider raising prices.

New Business

Ski-for-Sight: Lion Dave said our club again would host the Saturday, January 25, 2014, banquet at the Best Western Hotel in DeKalb. This will be our club's January dinner meeting. Cost is free. Lion Dave suggested arriving at 6:30 p.m. Dinner begins at 7:00 p.m. Lion Dave, who is chair of the Southwestern Region event, invited members to breakfast at 7:30 a.m. at the ICSD middle school in Waterman.

Tractor Show/ Summer Festival: Lion Steve Bock reported that ReMax air balloons are scheduled. Lion Jeff Weber said Clinton Township Library would like to use the stage for a short program. Consensus was that the club would cooperate and leave it up to the Tractor Show Committee to work out the details.

LIF Sight & Sound Sweepstakes: Raffle tickets were offered to members to sell or buy. As in the past, the club purchased three books of tickets for \$30.00.

Lion Shawn Blobaum moved that the club sponsor one Lions of Illinois Foundation camper scholarship at \$525.00. Lion Warren Sommerfeld seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Committee Reports

Program/Boys and Girls: Easter Egg Hunt will be April 19 at the Middle School.

Several suggestions were made about possible program topics: Monsanto Quality Assurance Laboratory in Waterman, Roberts Armory in Rochelle, Denny Rehn's Farm Museum in Kirkland and a stage production company in Sycamore.

Southwest Region Zone Meeting: Three members signed up to attend the January 29, 2014, meeting in Sandwich —Lions Steve, Dave and Craig.

Adjournment

Lion Dave Stryker moved to adjourn the meeting. Lions Warren Sommerfeld and Shawn Blobaum seconded the motion. The president adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lion Craig Rice, secretary
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