

## **SOUTH SHORE ASSOCIATION    MINUTES 9/15/21**

**Call to Order:** President Jim Valsa called the meeting to order at 6:32pm; there were 13 people present.

**Roll call of Officers:** Jim Valsa, President: present. Lynn Zapolnek, Vice President: absent. Marge Meyers, Treasurer: present. Amy Oestreich, Secretary: present.

**Prior meeting minutes:** Highlights from last month's meeting were not read.

**President's remarks, correspondence, thank you's:**

- Thank you to everyone involved with the SSA for a great year.

### **GUESTS:**

No new guests were welcomed. Lonie Glieberman of Mt Bohemia called Jim Valsa to thank him for the invite to the meeting but had to decline due to being out of town.

### **MEMORIALS:**

Dante Iacovoni 8/13/21

Robert Niemi 8/20/21

Ed Schneiderhan 9/2/21

Guy Snyder, exact date unknown

### **REPORTS:**

**Treasurer's report and approval:** Marge Meyers read the Treasurer's report. This year's rummage sale was the most successful. The Fire Department and Auxiliary are in good shape. Records for dues and memberships are available upon request.

**Grant Township:** Ned Huwatscek spoke for Grant Township. He complimented our Grant Township Supervisor, Scott Wendt, for being present at an SSA meeting, Dumpster Days, Summerfest and for holding open office hours at the LLB Fire Hall. Ned also applauded the SSA presence at Tuesday's Grant Township meeting which was held in LLB; 23 people attended the 2-hour meeting.

**Lac La Belle Parks:** Jim Valsa confirmed approval by Grant Township for electricity to be installed at Haven Falls Park. Bay Electric will provide a quote for a meter, locking 4-outlet receptacle and the possibility for lights in the future. Jim also commented that we are gaining traction on Union Park to move forward.

Please contact Jim Valsa, Lynn Zapolnek or Rick Olson if interested in joining the Lac La Belle Parks committee.

## NEWSLETTER:

“We’re Back!” will be the headline for our next newsletter. SSA members are encouraged to submit photos and story ideas to Steve Oviatt. Ideas raised for articles included: an interview with Scott Wendt, road conditions and improvement updates from the Road Commission, new road signage, and how it was a record year for fundraising for the Fire Department. Marge Meyers requested a revised membership form to provide more room for email addresses.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

**Men’s Activities:** Steve Oviatt reported the last men’s meeting was a success.

**LLB Recycling:** Recycling was a huge success. Jim Valsa thanked Steve Oviatt and Greg Dudek for helping him staff collection hours. As a reminder recycling in LLB will be closed from November 1 – May 1 this year. Recycling may be taken to Copper Harbor during the winter.

**Amazon “Smile” Program:** Anne Valsa is continuing to research how to add SSA as a charity/nonprofit under the Amazon Smile Program. Once listed, purchasers may choose SSA as their charity/nonprofit and SSA will receive 0.5% of the purchase. This topic will be revisited in the Spring.

**Mendota Channel:** The Army Corp of Engineers conducted a depth survey, and the Mendota Channel continues to remain shallow. As of now, no funding is available. This channel is considered low priority due to its recreational status. Recommendations continue to contact our local congressmen and advise them of the need for dredging as there are commercial fishing operations that use this channel.

**Movie Night:** Movie Night was a success. Casablanca was viewed and enjoyed with plenty of buttered popcorn.

**SSA T-shirts:** This topic will be revisited in the Spring.

## NEW BUSINESS:

**Road Trash Pick Up:** Jim Valsa proposed a LLB roadside trash collection day. Date to be set for Spring. Nancy Oviatt suggested a monthly collection during the summer. Discussion followed regarding the “adopt-a-highway” program and signage. There will be a beach cleanup in Copper Harbor September 18 and Bete Grise September 19, 2021.

### Next Year’s Dates:

Mid Summer Bonfire	Tuesday June 21
Dumpster Days	Saturday/Sunday July 23 & 24
Summerfest	Sunday August 7
Fish Boil	Date needs to be set
Kid’s Fishing	Date dependent on Fish Boil

SSA Meetings

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of the Month

June 15

July 20

August 17

September 21

**Election – Bi-Annual:** A motion was made to keep the current board by Bob Meyers. Seconded by Steve Oviatt. Approved. If you would like to run, please let Jim Valsa know so you may be put on the docket.

#### **EVENTS/ACTIVITIES:**

- **Women’s Get-Together:** Tuesdays at 10:00am at the LLB Fire Hall. Meeting will continue through September. Luncheon to be discussed and date set at next meeting.
- **Men’s Meet and Greet:** To resume in the Spring.
- **Movie Night:** To resume in the Spring.
- **Grant Township Supervisor’s open office hours:** Saturday September 18 10am – noon at the LLB Fire Hall.
- **SSA Meeting:** Wednesday June 15, 2022 at 6:30pm at the Fire Hall.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

- Steve Oviatt asked if SSA will hold a Christmas party this year. Due to lack of residents and interest it has been decided that there will not be one.
- Judy Mitrovich inquired if anything can be done to support the Lac La Belle Lodge’s legal situation with Mt Bohemia. SSA cannot be involved with this, but individuals may act independently. The possible creation of a “go fund me” site was presented by Wendell Carlson.
- Jim Valsa attended the roads commission meeting and reported that Bete Grise Road may be up for repairs in 2023. No timeline was given for the potholes to be fixed on Gay Road. He presented the need for signage at the new stop sign informing that traffic from right or left does not stop.

#### **ADJOURN:**

Motion to adjourn made by Nancy Oviatt, seconded by Bob Meyers. Passed.  
Meeting adjourned at 7:18pm.

Minutes submitted by: Amy Oestreich