



## Minutes from the Friends of Atascadero Lake Board Meeting June 19, 2019

Present: Bob Edmonds, Don Lynge, Barbara Combes, Michelle Harms, Mark Hontz, Nancy Hair. Absent: Cristel Wilson, Olan Kaigel, Dena Kaigel, Jon Trumbull. Guests: Paul Murphy, Kathy Hontz, Nick Debar

- Approval of the April 17, 2019 Minutes
- Treasurer's Report: Beginning balance of \$35,596.53, deposits of \$1,285.26, withdrawals of \$1,496.41, leaving an ending balance of \$35,395.38
- We did not have the election of officers as there was not a quorum. This will take place at our July meeting.
- Lake Perimeter Signage, Michelle Harms: Michelle brought in a mockup of the actual sign in the correct size. She has been working quite closely with Amada from the City of Atascadero on format and content. The first two signs are almost ready. One will be placed on the beginning path to the right of the Pavilion and the other at the East side of the dam. These signs will contain similar information, but different photos. We consider these two signs a "start" point for the other 8 signs that will be placed around the lake. We will be creating the opportunity to have sponsorships (memorials) for each sign. The Memorial Tree Garden at the lake is full, and for those that have loved the lake this will be the perfect opportunity to remember their loved ones while contributing to a project that enhances the experience of the lake.
- LakeFest, Nancy Hair: We received \$2,650 in sponsorships, \$448 for t-shirts, boat entries, donations, raffle, \$925 from vendor fees, \$144 beer/wine garden, for a total of \$4,167 in income. We had \$2,233 in expenses, leaving a profit of \$1,944. That being said, we were working against the weather with the local weatherman calling for rain. We are considering changing the date or other options as the last two years in a row we have had a smaller

turn out due to colder temperatures. But, those that did attend had a wonderful time and the boats were so creative and the races pure fun. The kids really got into the constructing of their boats this year too. Again, we want to thank all our sponsors, volunteers and everyone else that make LakeFest such a great day.

- Algae Report: Nick Debar, Director of Public Works attended our meeting. The city has done its first application of product to help control the algae. Unfortunately, it was applied a bit late in the season and the algae was able to grow. The city has enough product for the whole summer and will be applying once a month. It is important to remember that Atascadero Lake is under the umbrella of Fish and Wildlife and The Regional Water Quality Control Board. Nothing can be applied to the lake that will harm anything, the city must adhere to those rules. We are grateful that the city has spent the time and money securing necessary permits and purchasing product. Moving forward, we hope that applications will be applied in a timely manner. We did discuss the extreme condition at the South end of the lake. One theory that came up was the extensive amount of rain this past year brought down runoff filled with animal waste and fertilizers that contributed to the excessive algae blooms.
- Round Table: The city wants to construct the fish screen that is needed before Fish and Wildlife will stock before winter. We will be helping with the material cost. Nick will contact Dave Highland to discuss the design. The creek pipeline that needs repair will be begin when the area dries out. Right now, still too wet. We were informed that the city does not have the funds to pay for the electric for the pump that brings water to the lake. The city has given us the opportunity to earn funds by partnering us with the Tamale Festival which allows us to earn the funds to pay for the electric. This is a bit of a frustration as we would like to use our funds for other future worthwhile projects. The signage project, above the \$8000 Karen earned with participating in Dancing with our Stars, will cost us approximately another \$10,000, our insurance is over \$3000 and the electric for the well is about \$875 for 6 to 8 months. It all adds up. As you can see most our large balance is spoken for and reserves are important.

**Next board meeting July 17, 6:15 pm in The Ranger House**