

Cuyuna Range Lions Club
Board Meeting Minutes
November 7, 2024
Hallett Library

Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Lion LeAnn.

Approval of Agenda. The agenda was reviewed with no changes. A motion was made by Lion Ed with a second by Lion Mark to approve the agenda as presented. Motion was voted and passed.

Approval of October 3, 2024 Board Minutes - The minutes were sent to Board members via email. There were no changes or discussion to the minutes. A motion was made by Lion Ed with a second by Lion Mark to approve the Oct. 3 Board minutes. Motion voted and passed.

Treasurer's Report - The report was presented to all that were present.

Correspondence:

1. Thank you notes were received from Les Swift, LCIF, 5M-9 Leader Dog, Childhood Cancer, Kamp KACE and Lions Diabetes Fund. Lion LeAnn noted there is a change in address for Leader Dog.
2. Scholarship Instructions for C-I Scholarship - Instructions were received on what needed to be done for scholarships. Lion Laura will take care of getting the information submitted.
3. 2025 Food License Application - Lion Laura will complete all information and submit to the county.

Requests for Donations - No requests at this time.

Committee Reports

1. Roadside Cleanup - Lion Chuck reported that the original date had to be rescheduled due to rain. There were only four people that came on the new date. The crew did the best that they could in the time that they had.
2. 26 Club - Lion Mark reported that all tickets are out for sale. The actual license has not been received from the State yet, but we do have the number so all is good. The State assured Mark the license would be received by the time the event takes place.

Please give all money to Mark by November 13. The Town Tavern placed tickets to sell in a place where no one saw them so tickets were not sold for several days. They have since found the tickets and will continue to sell them.

3. Awards - Ongoing

4. Riverton Park Clean Up - Lion Laura would like to present at the next club meeting to request funds for a matching grant that will help in purchasing items for Riverton Park. The City of Riverton has stated they have \$5,000 earmarked for this project. It would be nice to gather additional funds based on grants that will match what we have. Once funds are received, we can then decide how best to spend them and continue with a forward looking plan.

5. Shed Maintenance - Lion Mark stated the ramp has been installed. Lions Dave and Terry could check out what is inside the shed and begin throwing out items that need to be tossed. Any type of maintenance work will not begin until Spring.

6. Food Truck - Ongoing.

7. Event for Community to Expand Membership - There were no new ideas presented at tonight's meeting. We are looking at having a community event in order to attract new members and introduce ourselves and the club to them.

8. Holiday Party - Lions Diane and Laura are checking on venues. Looking at Rutgers, The Sanctuary and will contact Croft and Block North. Will hopefully have information to present at the club meeting.

Old Business

1. Additional Service Projects - Lion LeAnn was contacted by Tyler from Community Effect. At this time he is looking for a commitment of four readers to read to Kindergarten students on Tuesday morning from 9:45-10:30. An email will be sent to all members asking for volunteers. Lion Steve suggested we start saving plastic that can be recycled into a bench and then placed in one of the parks with a sign. He will contact the Aitkin Lions club to get more information on how we begin this type of project. Lion Steve also suggested that since the District owns a vision screening machine, we should use it and assist with screening at the elementary school. School Board member Laura Lee told Steve that they can use assistance with this.

2. Additional Donation Recipients - Lion LeAnn mentioned again that if there is an organization in the community that is seeking donations for support, we should bring that information to the club for consideration.

3. Summary of Event Profits Year to Year - Lion LeAnn will begin building a spreadsheet of all activities we have held and monies raised along with company donations. She is asking that anyone that has outstanding information from events to please send it to her so it can be included.

4. New Website - Lion Laura will investigate new platforms for our website. Lion Mark will contact the company we are currently using and request a refund seeing that the website does not work.

New Business

1. Community Effect - Lion LeAnn received a letter from Tyler. This letter included many events Community Effect is planning on hosting and they would like the Lions to partner with them. Some of the events include a Corn Feed in June, reading to the students at school and to residents at Heartwood. Lion LeAnn will be meeting with Tyler on Sunday to discuss in further detail what all of this means, and Lions MaryLou and MaryJo will be joining them. Lion Diane will be our contact person should we decide to partner/assist on these events. This could be a win/win for both organizations as it could help us grow our membership.

Adjourn - A motion was made by Lion Laura with a second by Lion Chuck to adjourn the meeting at 6:49 p.m. Motion was voted and passed.

