

Save Lake Weir
Annual Meeting
February 27, 2022

President Reese Bourgeois began the general meeting at 2:15. Board Member Vic Knoblock opened the meeting with a prayer and pledge.

Special guests at the meeting: Commissioner Craig Curry, Rachel Novak, Jody Kirkman, Gabriel Vicari, and Amanda Marek (guest speaker).

Amanda Marek works with the UF IFAS Extension and gave a presentation on Florida lake friendly plants for our shoreline. These plants grow well in Florida, requiring minimal care, and benefit the health of the lake.

Business Meeting

Reese called the business meeting to order at 2:50, and recognized Vic Knoblock for his 20 years of service on the Save Lake Weir Board.

A motion was made to dispense with the reading of the minutes, the motion was seconded.

Financial Update – Bonnie reported \$15,600 in the checking account, \$10,000 in the CD

By-law change: The by-laws state that the deadline for SLW membership dues is February 1. Because the annual meeting is always at the end of February, this makes all members delinquent for the month of February. Suggested by-law change: that the membership dues be payable at the annual meeting instead of February 1st.

A motion was made to accept the by-law change, motion was seconded. The members voted and it passed.

Board Members: Carol Caruso and Cliff Forrester are continuing their service on the board. A motion was made to approve their board membership. The motion was seconded, voted on and passed. Tom Cartwright was recommended to the membership as the newest board member to fill Vic Knoblock's seat. A motion was made to accept Tom Cartwright, motion was seconded. The members voted and it passed.

Reese mentioned the educational initiative that the board will be implementing, not only to Save Lake Weir members but also to all residents on the lake. Information on best practices for taking care of our lake will be sent out over the next several months.

Sewer – First steps are being taken to move from septic to sewer. This will involve 630 plots between Hampton Beach and Carney Island. This area has the highest population density and some very old septic tanks. This first phase will probably take 5 to 10 years to complete. Petitions to move ahead with this plan were signed at the meeting and will continue to be gathered until we reach 10% of the targeted population.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15.