

**Meeting of the Morningstar Lake Association**  
**May 27, 2013**  
**10:00 AM at Lot 27 (Eldon and Pat James)**

Minutes

- 1) Call to Order / Introductions /Attendance – 25 of the 37 lots were represented.
- 2) Approval of minutes of May 28, 2012 meeting and the minutes of the Special Meeting on September 2, 2012 – Motion to approve Bayer, second Rutz, approved unanimously.
- 3) Treasurer's Report - \$22,471.46 on hand as of May 20, 2013. A copy of the report is attached to these minutes. Motion to accept and approve Treasurer's report was made by Loschen, seconded by Woodruff and approved unanimously by the lot representatives present.
- 4) Summerwood Lake Association Meetings – Minutes of the Fall 2012 and Spring 2013 Summerwood Board meetings were sent to all residents by Summerwood. The following topics were discussed by Darroll Loschen, the President of the Summerwood Lake Association:
  - a. The Annual Summerwood Assessment is \$200.00 per lot. Summerwood has a cash on hand balance \$60,000.
  - b. Independence Day Fireworks are set for July 5, 2013 with a rain date of July 6.
  - c. A web page is being designed for Summerwood Resorts; still waiting on feedback from other lakes.
  - d. Invasive Species – Please closely monitor the use of boats or other water craft coming into our lakes so we do not introduce Zebra Mussels. Signs have been posted at all boat ramps. The best advice is empty all water out of your boat and let dry for at least five days.
  - e. Please insure you only use the collection area for authorized items and sizes.
  - f. If you see underage drivers on golf carts please either get the lot number and contact a Summerwood representative, or stop the cart and let them know the rules.
  - g. Summerwood is looking at purchasing all of the land that makes up the Summerwood area from Vayden and Joy Anderson and JAVA. The main reason is to keep others who may not support the Summerwood environment from obtaining. No vote was taken but generally the Morningstar attendees support the idea of having control of our area.
  - h. If you see someone violating the lake rules, please stop and advise them, they may not know. Or obtain some identifying information and let your Lake representatives know.

- i. Summerwood Garage Sale the weekend of June 8 and June 9.
- j. General comments on a few items:
  - 1. A resident on Sundance was contacted regarding golf cart usage. This resident usually brings up a number of golf carts on key holidays and in the past has been disruptive. They seemed to have been fine with the contact and no problems are known to have occurred over the Memorial Day weekend.
  - 2. Support the Clarks Grocery store
  - 3. Keep the speed limits
  - 4. ATV's / Four wheelers are not allowed on Summerwood property other than for lot maintenance.
  - 5. Polk County provided snow removal this year and it seems to have gone very well.
- k. The Summerwood Directories were handed out to those in attendance.

#### 5) Morningstar Business:

- a. Dredging update: The dredging project is at a standstill for a few reasons, but the single most important one has to do with how we get rid of the sand. Until that is resolved we cannot begin the project. The use of the island for the sand was discussed, but there is significant justifiable concern that the quantity of sand (10,000 to 20,000 yards) would kill all vegetation on the island.

Another dredging company (Mallard) is meeting with Denny Walker for their advice and possible bid.

The committee will do a better job of communicating with residents as information becomes available.

- b. Establishing the wake boating water level. A new post permanently located at the lake boat ramp indicating the "no wake" level will be positioned as soon as possible.
- c. The Independence Day Celebration is on July 5 - 6. Everyone should have an email by now of the event. It is also attached to these minutes. Friday – Live music at the McCabe Deck until the Summerwood Fireworks show, and Saturday the full slate of activities. Looking for prizes for giveaways please deliver to either the McCabe or James cabins.
- d. Lake Rules were reviewed – no changes were made, but an emphasis on golf cart usage and high speed boating after dark was discussed, and all were encouraged to help enforce the existing rules.
- e. Please complete the registration form for your boat (if you have not already done so) and send in with your dues. Only one form is needed per boat, and you only need to redo if you have a new boat. (Copy attached to these minutes)

- f. Annual Morningstar Dues Assessment – Summerwood set the dues per lot at \$200.00 for 2013. After the meeting the Board of Directors decided that Morningstar dues would stay at \$200.00 per lot. The total assessment per lot for 2013 is **\$400.00** which is the same as last year. Please make payable to Morningstar Lake Association and mail to:

Jane Steinbach  
310 Laramie Trail  
Lincoln, NE 68521

or deliver to Cabin 25.

- g. Basketball Hoop and Net – The Board approved up to \$500.00 for improvement of the basketball backboards, rims and nets on Lots 7 and 8. Ryan Ramaekers is coordinating with the property owners and has indicated his willingness to lead this project (via email)

#### 6) Election of Directors

Tom Steinbach and Dan Pleasant were elected as Directors with terms expiring in 2016. Brianne Bayer was elected Director to replace Deb McCarty who resigned. Motion made by Linda McCabe, seconded by Jim Crawford and passed unanimously.

The directors are:

Linda Robinson-Rutz -	2014	Tom Manning	-	2014
Bob Herbig	-	Brianne Bayer	-	2015
Tom Steinbach	-	Dan Pleasant	-	2016

Summerwood Board Director:

Darroll Loschen was reelected to be a Morningstar Representative on the Summerwood Board with term expiring 8/31/16. Motion made by Russ Bayer, seconded by Jim Crawford and passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 AM.

After the meeting the Morningstar Board met. The following actions were taken:

- 1. Officers for the next year were elected:

President - Dan Pleasant  
Vice President – Tom Steinbach  
Treasurer – Jane Steinbach  
Secretary - Russ Bayer

2. Mobile speed bumps were discussed. Bayer and Bayer will investigate.
3. Up to \$500.00 was approved for backboard, rim and net repair on the Lots 7 & 8 hoops.
4. Jane and Linda will evaluate transitioning from our current insurance carrier to see if we can reduce the nearly 30% premium increase we were assessed this year.

Respectfully submitted,

*Russ Bayer*

Russ Bayer  
Secretary

**Morning Star Lake Association  
Treasurer's Report**

**Morningstar Lake Association Treasurer Report**

April 23, 2012 through May 20, 2013

**Checking Account:**

Beginning Balance **\$9762.70**

**Receipts:**

2012 Dues = \$400/lot x37 lots = \$14,800.00 \$14,920.00

Rebate from Summerwood = \$50/lot x 37 lots \$1,850.00

**TOTAL RECEIPTS: **\$16,770.00****

**Expenses:**

Southern Power District \$264.27

Summerwood Dues \$7,400.00

D & O Liability Insurance (FNB) \$1,148.00

Stamps \$45.00

Overland Sand and Gravel \$531.72

Woodruff flowers \$96.19

NE Lake Management (Phragmite treatment) \$500.00

Sonderup Welding (Road Grading) \$420.00

Fourth of July Supplies \$86.35

NE Lakes Association (2012 dues) \$100.00

Merrick Co Treasurer (2012 Real Estate Tax) \$136.42

NE Lakes Association (2013 dues) \$125.00

**Transfer to Morningstar Savings **\$9,000.00****

**Total Expenses: **\$19,852.95****

**Ending Balance of Checking **\$6,679.75****

**Savings Account:**

Beginning Balance **\$6,783.68**

**Receipts:**

Interest \$8.03

Deposit from checking \$9,000.00

**Ending Balance: \$15,791.71**

**Total balance on hand from checking and savings:**  
**\$22,471.46**

# Morningstar Boat Registration:

Please fill in & return to a board of director.

Name of cabin/boat owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Cabin (lot) number: \_\_\_\_\_

Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Color: \_\_\_\_\_

NE registration number: \_\_\_\_\_

Boat VIN number: \_\_\_\_\_

Length of boat: \_\_\_\_\_

Inboard \_\_\_\_\_ Outboard \_\_\_\_\_ Jet \_\_\_\_\_

Horsepower Rating: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner signature(s): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# MORNINGSTAR CARNIVAL CELEBRATION

Step right up ladies and gentlemen. You are about to be amazed and astounded at the Morningstar Carnival held yearly to celebrate the Greatest Country in the World and the Greatest Show on Earth. You will have to see it to believe it! Plenty of snake oil will flow. Food and fun for all.

Festivities begin July 5<sup>th</sup> at dusk with the Amazing Giant Fireworks. No amateur fire eaters please. If perhaps you hear the sound of a calliope on the lake before the display, feel free to stop in and sing along. Alice from Dallas (woohoo), the elephant man and the petrified crocodile will all be there.

Time to raise the big top on Saturday, July 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 at Lot #13. Join the sand volleyball tourney. BUT...watch your wallets as Russell the Hustler and his accomplice, the famous Gwen (who will appear later in the hootchy kootchy show) will host the event.

Get your tickets for the freak show at #17 at 10:30 for kids' pony rides. Say hello to the Snake Lady. She walks, she talks, she crawls on her belly like a reptile. While in line, check out the Bouncy House at #16—hosted by the bearded lady and the amazing man who can twist his body into knots.

GETCHA HOT DOGS HERE! Lunch at the tennis courts from 12:00 to 1:00pm. Bring a few tokens to help with expenses and your own drinks and lawn chairs. Lisa, the lion tamer and Todd the Terrific will host this. Get your fortune read by the gypsy lady and chat with neighbors and friends.

Pygmies and midgets can try their luck at games of chance at #27 at 1:00. Prizes galore. If you have prizes to donate, leave them with Lazy Linda at #17 or Pat Pureheart at #27. The Amazing Eldoni will be there to supervise the activities.

Barnum & Bailey will sponsor the Secret Treasure Hunt at 3:00 on the dot at #32. Limit of four rubes per team. (your word of the day- what is a rube?)

The most popular side show will be the sweet treats served at #9 at 4:30 until the fat lady sings. Scooping the goodies will be the famous fat lady, Donita; -It takes four men to hug her and a box car to lug her.

See you there. "Life is a carnival, two bits a shot."