

**MARQUETTE AREA BLUES SOCIETY BOT MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2021 – THE ORE DOCK BREWING COMPANY**

CALLED TO ORDER: 6:42 PM BY MARK HAMARI, PRESIDENT

BOT MEMBERS PRESENT: MARK HAMARI, MARK JOHNSON, JOANNE MAKI, WALT LINDALA, MARK STONEROCK, JEFF KALLERY, DAVE CRUM, ED ST AUBIN, BRIAN JENSEN, CHARLEY BASTIAN, LORRIE HAYES

BOT MEMBERS EXCUSED ABSENCES: JOHN BAYERL, CINDY ENGLE, LARRY LETTS, MIKE SEKELY

OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT: MARK MAKI

PUBLIC COMMENT: MARK MAKI OBSERVED AT THE DULUTH BLUES FESTIVAL THAT ALL THE ARTISTS THERE DID NOT DO MEET AND GREETINGS AND ALSO THAT THEIR PROGRAM WAS SMALLER THAN PREVIOUS YEARS DUE TO PRINTING COMPANIES NOT AVAILABLE TO MAKE THEIR USUAL SIZE PROGRAM.

AGENDA APPROVAL: MOVED TO APPROVE AS PRESENTED – BRIAN JENSEN, SECOND BY MARK STONEROCK - CARRIED

MINUTES APPROVAL: MOVED TO APPROVE AS PRESENTED – CHARLEY BASTIAN, SECOND BRIAN JENSEN – CARRIED.

PRESIDENT REPORT: MARK HAMARI – MARK INDICATED HE SIGNED A 3-YEAR CONTRACT WITH THE CITY BEGINNING WITH THIS YEAR. THE DDA IS NO LONGER PUTTING UP ANYTHING OTHER THAN AMERICAN FLAGS AND NMU FLAGS, SO OUR GUITAR SIGNS WILL NOT BE PUT UP AROUND TOWN. THE ONES THAT WE HAVE IN STORAGE WE CAN PUT UP AROUND THE PARK IF WE SO WISH.

VICE-PRESIDENT REPORT: MARK JOHNSON – MARK STATES WE HAVE BEEN GETTING MEMBERSHIPS

SECRETARY REPORT/TREASURER REPORT: JOANNE MAKI – JOANNE SENT OUT REPORTS TO THE BOT MEMBERS FOR REVIEW. CASH ON HAND IS \$52,933.34. MOVED TO ACCEPT FINANCIALS – MARK STONEROCK, SECOND DAVE CRUM – CARRIED.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH: JEFF KALLERY – JEFF HAS INDICATED THE FLAT BROKE BLUES BAND WILL BE PLAYING ON THE LIBRARY STEPS MONDAY, AUGUST 30TH FROM 7-9PM – THIS WILL BE THE START UP FOR BOTH THE FESTIVAL WEEK AND FOR BLUESDAY TUESDAY – THOUGH IT IS ON MONDAY DUE TO LIBRARY SCHEDULING ISSUES. HE HAS TALKED WITH MARTI AT THE LIBRARY AND WE ARE SET TO HAVE EVENTS ON SEPTEMBER 29, OCTOBER 26, AND NOVEMBER 30. HE WILL BE WORKING ON GETTING ACTS SIGNED UP FOR THESE DATES.

EVENTS: LARRY LETTS – NOT PRESENT AT THE MEETING BUT MARK HAMARI SAID HE IS WORKING ON SOME TYPE OF EVENT AFTER THE FESTIVAL.

FESTIVAL: MARK STONEROCK – THINGS WITH THE FESTIVAL ARE GOING ALONG GREAT. NEW POSTERS HAVE BEEN PRINTED AND ARE AVAILABLE HERE TO TAKE HOME. MARK HAMARI WILL KEEP THE EXCESS

AT THE PAINT STORE IF ANYONE WANTS TO PICK SOME UP. JOHN BAYERL HAS DELIEVERED THE COMP TICKETS AND LANYARDS. JOANNE WILL GET THEM FROM MARK STONEROCK AND GET THEM OUT TO THE MEMBERS WHO HAVE PARTNERS TO DELIVER THEM TO.

THE CAMPER CINDY WAS GOING TO GET US TO USE DID NOT WORK OUT, SO WE ARE STILL ONE TRAILER DOWN FOR BACKSTAGE. WALT HAS SOME IDEAS ON THAT.

ALL ARTISTS HAVE ROOMS THANKS TO BRIAN JENSEN AT THE OASIS. IVY FORD WILL BE PLAYING AT THE ORE DOCK ON FRIDAY NIGHT.

ALL AREAS SEEM TO BE GETTING THINGS TOGETHER. VENDORS ARE ALL SET. BEER TENT IS READY TO GO WITH PIKE BEING THE DISTRIBUTOR AGAIN THIS YEAR. THINGS ARE COMING TOGETHER ON THE GROUNDS. ED STAUBIN AND DAVE CRUM WILL BE MARKING THE PARK ON MONDAY OR TUESDAY. WE WILL UNLOAD THE TRAILER ONTO THE DALCO TRUCK ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 31ST AT 5:30PM.

WHOEVER HAS A PARTNER WHO CAN HAVE A BANNER AT THE FESTIVAL IS RESPONSIBLE FOR GETTING SAID BANNER AND RETURNING IT AFTER THE FESTIVAL.

MARK MAKI SAYS HIS WORKSHOPS ARE ALL SET TO GO. RANDY SEPPALA WILL BE BRINGING THE DANCE FLOOR ON FRIDAY AROUND 2:30PM TO BE SET UP. IT WILL BE ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE OF THE PARK THIS YEAR.

STILL HAVE OPENINGS FOR VOLUNTEERS. WILL BE ANNOUNCING FROM THE STAGE DURING THE FESTIVAL AND HOPEFULLY WE WILL BE ABLE TO FILL SLOTS.

TV6 BUSINESS AFTER HOURS WILL BE THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 AT THE ORE DOCK 7-9 PM, FLAT BROKE BLUES BAND WILL BE PLAYING. WE WILL BE GIVING OUT 2 PAIR OF COMP PASSES. THE MARQUETTE MONTHLY WILL BE STARTING UP AGAIN AND THEY WILL BE HAVING AN ARTICLE ON OUR FESTIVAL. SHOULD BE COMING OUT RIGHT BEFORE OUR FESTIVAL.

SUNDAY WILL BE DEDICATED TO TOM HYSLOP AND HIS FAMILY WILL BE COMING.

LAURA RAIN AND THE CAESARS WILL BE DOING THE AFTER PARTY AT THE ELKS – TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE FESTIVAL OR AT THE DOOR FOR \$5.00.

NEW BUSINESS: WEB MAESTRO MADE A PROPOSAL FOR PAYMENT OF HIS SERVICES AS FOLLOWS FIRST YEAR HE WILL BE A SILVER LEVEL PARTNERSHIP, SECOND YEAR HE WILL BE A BRONZE LEVEL PARTNERSHIP AND THEN AN ON-GOING COPPER PARTNERSHIP FOR FUTURE YEARS THAT WILL COVER THE MAINTENANCE FEES FOR HIS SERVICES. MOVED TO APPROVE BRIAN JENSEN, SECOND BY DAVE CRUM – DISCUSSION – ALL SEEMED TO FEEL IT WAS A GOOD PLAN – MOTION TO APPROVE WAS CARRIED.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: FLAT BROKE BLUES BAND WILL BE PLAYING THIS THURSAY AT OLD ISH AND THEN ON FRIDAY NIGHT AT LAKENENLAND MUSIC FESTIVAL FROM 9-11 PM AND ON SUNDAY AT THE UP-NORTH LODGE 4-8 PM.

NEXT BOT MEETING – WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2021 – SITE TBA

NEXT FESTIVAL MEETING – NO SEPTEMBER MEETING

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:13 PM

SUBMITTED BY JOANNE MAKI, SECRETARY/TREASURER