

**MARQUETTE AREA BLUES SOCIETY BOT MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2022 – ORE DOCK BREWERY**

CALLED TO ORDER: 6:36 PM – JANUARY BOT MEETING RESCHEDULED TO FEBRUARY 2, 2022, DUE TO COVID INCREASES IN THE AREA AND LOCATION AVAILABILITY.

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

BOT MEMBERS EXCUSED ABSENCES: JOHN BAYERL

OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT: TOM DANIEL, APRIL LINDALA, MARK MAKI

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

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

MINUTES APPROVAL: MOVED TO APPROVE AS PRESENTED CINDY ENGLE, SECOND BY CHARLEY BASTIAN - CARRIED

PRESIDENT REPORT: MARK HAMARI – ASCAP IS WANTING YEARLY PAYMENT- WILL PAY AFTER FESTIVAL. CITY PAPERWORK AVAILABLE FOR 2023. HAVE RECEIVED OFFERS FROM PLACES FOR US TO HAVE OUR MEETINGS IF NEEDED.

VICE-PRESIDENT REPORT: MARK JOHNSON – NO REPORT

SECRETARY REPORT/TREASURER REPORT: JOANNE MAKI – BALANCE ON HAND \$73,167.14. MOVED TO ACCEPT AS PRESENTED MARK STONEROCK, SECOND BY CINDY ENGLE – CARRIED. SENT OUT LETTERS TO ALL PARTNERSHIPS THANKING THEM FOR THEIR SUPPORT. WAITING ON FORMS FROM IRS TO COME IN MAIL SO THEY CAN THEN BE COMPLETED AND SENT OUT TO OUR ARTISTS FROM 2021 FESTIVAL.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH: JEFF KALLERY – BLUESDAY TUESDAY SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 22 – EDDIE AND THE BLUSERS, MARCH WILL BE FLAT BROKE BLUES BAND AND APRIL WILL BE UNDER THE RADAR

EVENTS: LARRY LETTS – LOOKING AT POSSIBLY HAVING AN EVENT IN APRIL

FESTIVAL: MARK STONEROCK – WORKING ON ACTS FOR THE FESTIVAL. FRIDAY NIGHT IS SET WITH THE JIMMYS, FOLLOWED BY BISCUIT MILLER. LOOKING AT A POSSIBLE INCREASE IN THE FESTIVAL BUDGET. WALT LINDALA BROUGHT UP A DISCUSSION OF POSSIBLY GOING IN WITH THE ROTARY AND USING THE ARABESQUE TENT WHICH IS NOW OWNED BY DOUBLE TROUBLE – WHO ALSO SUPPLY OUR REGULAR TENTS, TABLES AND CHAIRS. HE WILL BE MEETING TO DISCUSS POSSIBLY SPLITTING SOME OF THE

COSTS WITH THE ROTARY. THE TENT WOULD BE ERECTED THE WEEKEND PRIOR TO OURS FOR THE ROTARY EVENT AND THEN LEAVING IT UP THROUGH OUR FESTIVAL. MORE TO COME ON THIS.

OLD BUSINESS: WALT LINDALA MADE A MOTION TO CONTRACT WITH LSCP TO DO A FULL ECONOMIC IMPACT STUDY OF OUR EVENT ON THE LOCAL AREA AT THE COST OF \$750.00 – SECOND BY LARRY LETTS-DISCUSSION FOLLOWED. VOTED ON AND APPROVED. WALT WILL CONTACT MARY MEYER TO GET IT STARTED.

NEW BUSINESS: BOARD ELECTIONS WERE HELD AND THOSE ELECTED TO NEW TERMS ON THE BOARD ARE CHARLEY BASTIAN, DAVE CRUM, CINDY ENGLE, APRIL LINDALA, WALT LINDALA, MIKE SEKELY, MARK STONEROCK, AND ED ST AUBIN. MARK HAMARI WELCOMED THE NEW BOARD MEMBERS AND THANKED THE PREVIOUS MEMBERS FOR THEIR SERVICE ON THE BOARD. THE OFFICE OF VICE-PRESIDENT IS OPEN AND NOMINATIONS WERE TAKEN. DAVE CRUM DECLINED NOMINATION AND APRIL LINDALA ACCEPTED NOMINATION. NO ONE ELSE WAS NOMINATED – APRIL LINDALA WAS APPOINTED VICE-PRESIDENT. MARK HAMARI, PRESIDENT APPOINTED WALT LINDALA AS FESTIVAL DIRECTOR. WALT ACCEPTED AND INDICATED HE WILL ENGAGE MARK STONEROCK AND MARK HAMARI AS CO-FESTIVAL DIRECTORS ALONG WITH HIM. THIS HAS WORKED WELL FOR THE PAST COUPLE OF YEARS HAVING OTHERS HELPING OUT WITH ALL THAT IS NEEDED TO DO AS FESTIVAL DIRECTOR.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: BLUES CAFÉ WILL BE HELD IN ROTHCHILD WISCONSIN IN MARCH

NEXT BOT MEETING – FEBRUARY MEETING MOVED FROM 16TH TO THE 23RD - PLACE TO BE DETERMINED.

NEXT FESTIVAL MEETING – MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2022, AT STONEROCKS

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:00PM

SUBMITTED BY JOANNE MAKI, SECRETARY/TREASURER