



Attendees:

KL Shefali Desai, 1st VP, Paul LeBel, 2nd VP, Allison Lebel, Secretary Julio Fontecchio, Treasurer Carol Baker, Lion Tamer Shelbe Doliner, Tail Twister Keith Gagne, Board of Director members Lauree Ricciardelli, Ed Perry, DG Debbie Hayes & Julie Ackley

King Lion Shefali called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM

Secretary's Report:

A motion made by DG Lion Deb, second by Lion Lauree to accept the general meeting minutes of 9/4/19 - unanimous

Treasurer's Report:

A motion was made by Lion Julio second by Lion Keith to accept the September Treasurer's report - unanimous.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Peace Poster

Lion Lauree reported that the Peace poster kit is ordered and will be contacting the school. 2nd VP Lion Allison is our District co-chair of the peace poster contest and will assist Lion Lauree in whatever is necessary.

Field of Flags

Lion Noreen has received the permit for the flags to be placed on the town hall. The form is completed and will be attached to the minutes. The flags are \$10 each and can be placed in memory or honor of an individual or the service men and woman. The flags will be displayed the week before Veterans day and can stay until the week after.

Committee to elect DG Hayes

Lion Claire has donated her tickets to the October 4th Patriots game against the Colts for a raffle. The cost of the raffle tickets \$25 each or 5 for \$100. Her tickets are extremely sought after as they are in the End Zone, FRONT ROW seat 14 & 15. The drawing is September 27th. Last Call so get your tickets fast by contacting Lion Claire on her cell at (774) 993-8211 or cgerm111@gmail.com.

NEW BUSINESS

Porketta Dinner Fundraiser

Lion Lois has met with some of the committee members and will need help on the night of the event. Lion Ed will be supplying all but the porketta at cost for the fundraiser and KL Shefali has connected with a caterer to supply the porketta. A flyer has been sent out to the district and to the members. 2nd VP Lion Allison will be contacting the school to get it out to the families. DG Lion Deb, KL Shefali and 2nd VP Lion Allison will be meeting with our Leo coordinator Lion Mark Caulfield to get the Leos involved.

33K Winter Coat Drive

The winter coat drive starts October 15th and runs until January 6th. If you have a winter coat you can contact Millis Lion Pat Thompson.

At the request of our distinguished member and longtime Treasurer Lion Jeff Kinne. He has requested that the assistant treasurer position be eliminated. He will be available for any questions or concerns our new Treasurer has but he feels being the assistant is not needed as he would not always be available especially during the winter months and there is already an assistant through the secretary. A motion was made by Lion Keith, second by 1st VP Lion Paul to eliminate the assistant treasurer's position - unanimous.

DG Lion Deb brought to the attention of the board a few pressing issues going on in our communities.

First, from our district as you may know that one of the District 33k Lions grandson age 2 and his family has been devastated with over \$100,000 worth of bills as this baby was born with retinoblastoma and he has lost sight in one eye and has 4 tumors in the other. The parents have lost their home and all their savings and have moved in with their retired parent so they can have a roof over their head. A motion was made by Lion Julio, second by 1st VP Lion Paul to donate \$250 to the district fundraiser for this Lion Family – unanimous

Second, from District N that has been on the news about the gas explosion and fires in the Merrimack Valley. All Lions should have received an email from Lion Doreen Martel explaining about the need for help in District N. A motion was made by Lion Ed, second by 1st VP Lion Paul to donate \$250 to District N to help the Lions effected by the gas explosions - unanimous

Third, from the headlines of the news about Hurricane Florence. A motion was made by Lion Julio, second by Lion Keith to donate \$1,000 to LCIF for disaster relief in North Carolina – unanimous. This will count toward a Melvin Jones Fellow for our club. The Melvin Jones Fellows requested that we honor two Melvin Jones fellows this year and this will count as one as we also help our communities at home and around the world.

Fourth and final, is bringing back the Lions Citizen of the Year. In honor of an individual's commitment to our community the Lions would like to recognize a Millis resident that has gone above and beyond in our community. A motion was made by Lion Julio, second by 1st VP Lion Paul to honor a specific citizen (under wraps for now) at our January meeting - unanimous

DG Deb mentioned the Millis Health Fair and the date may be October 21st but there will be more information to follow.

Lion Carol Baker spoke on the Senior Holiday Dinner shooting for Sunday December 9th but that date is not confirmed yet and there will be more information to follow.

KL Shefali was in contact with the Millis Food Pantry and they are in need of personal care items. Please bring a personal care Item to the general dinner meeting on Tuesday, October 2nd.

Remember, the theme for the next general dinner meeting is Halloween so come in your best costume, there will be a prize!

Speaking of Dinner meetings. It is **EXTREMELY IMPORTANT** that you respond to our hard working Lion Tamer, Lion Shelbe by 4 PM the Friday before our dinner meeting if you will or will not be attending our meeting. Lion Shelbe has the not so glamorous job of notifying the venue with a count of members that will be attending and it is only courteous that you notify her in time.

FUTURE EVENTS:

Oct 02 – General meeting, Restaurant 45, 7PM

Oct 16 - E-board, 7 PM AM Legion

Oct 20 - Bottle and Can sorting @ Safety Signal, Rte. 115 **(THEY ALWAYS NEED HELP)**

Oct 29 – 2nd Advisory meeting Randolph Elks

Nov 06 - General meeting, Restaurant 45, 7PM

Nov 20 - E-board, 7 PM AM Legion

Motion by Lion Shelbe, second by Lion Keith to adjourn @ 8:30 PM - unanimous

Respectfully Submitted,

Lion Julio Fontecchio