

The August 16, 2023 meeting of the URL AA membership was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Robyn Dwight with seven persons in attendance.

Gambling Manager Rick Thayer presented the Gambling Report and bills to be paid. Motion to accept the report as presented and to pay the bills was made by Kevin Waldo and seconded by Kellie Halvarson. Unanimous.

Gambling Manager Report also included information of the following items:

1. LG1004-Monthly Gambling report to members.
2. Profit and Loss report for July, 2023
3. Year to Date Gross Receipts
4. Gambling Control Board Audit - ongoing
5. Checking Account Balance

We have a Four Star Rating

**Grants:**

- Kelliher Public School-Mustang Football Program/Dan Alto: approved

**Minutes:** Minutes from the June meeting were approved and accepted with a motion by Kellie Halvarson and seconded by Tim Waldo. Unanimous

**Treasurer's report:** May total checking and saving account-\$22,682.13. Motion to accept as presented was made by Bobbi Oen and seconded by Tim Waldo. Unanimous.

**Keep it Clean Committee Report:** attached.

**Membership:** A list of active members can be viewed on the upperredlakeassn.com website/businesses tab. We thank all those who support the Association.

**Old Business:**

- Installation of billboard lighting still pending

**New Business:** no new business

**Correspondence:** no correspondence

**Next meeting:** Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at 6:00 PM - WESTWINDS, WASKISH, MN

**Motion to adjourn:** Kellie Halvarson, seconded by Tim Waldo. Unanimous

**Minutes** respectfully submitted by Brian Dwight (secretary)

Keep it Clean Report 08 18 2023

We have been very busy preparing our wheelhouse exhibit for the State Fair. We have received donations from many partners in this effort, and thank yous will appear on our [keepitcleanmn.org](http://keepitcleanmn.org) and URLAA website and Facebook pages and on a poster at our exhibit.

To get the message out we will be holding a press conference at our exhibit on Friday, August 25 at 11 a.m. including a live Facebook feed. Multiple media organizations and special guests will be in attendance.

We are still hoping volunteers come forward to fill in some spaces at the exhibit.

I have attended the Upper/Lower Red Lake: One Watershed One Plan Advisory Committee Meeting on July 25, and the Public Kickoff in Kelliher on August 15, representing the URLAA and Keep it Clean. Three topic meetings are scheduled in the months ahead as 1W1P takes shape. Funding from the Clean Water Land and Legacy Fund will be allocated to worthy projects, and Keep it Clean will be put forward as a priority in this region. Infrastructure will be the focus. Anyone with ideas or information is urged to contact me and get into discussions about the future of the watershed as it impacts all of us.

My husband Brian and I are heading to the State Fair on August 23 and will be at the exhibit until September 4. We expect to meet and greet a lot of folks, sharing what we know about ice fishing and being good water stewards.

As we focus on all of this, we are also fine tuning start-up kits for every SWCD office in the state. We have locations for three billboards and will be working to get them up this fall.

We continue to seek support from the public and private sector as we work on solutions to the garbage and human waste management issues during the winter fishing season, and we are grateful for the growing support we have.

Submitted by: Robyn Dwight

