

**Finland Cooperative Board Meeting May 13, 2021. Zoom meeting.  
Present: Sue Rian, Honor Schauland, Beverly Nowacki, Andy Gomez, Manager  
Karl Klinker, Teresa Anderson joins at 6:30pm**

Meeting called to order at 6:04 pm.

April 8, 2021 meeting minutes - Motion to approve by Sue, seconded by Bev, all in favor, motion passes.

Treasurer's report - \$760.66 in the account. Motion to approve by Sue, seconded by Honor, all in favor, motion passes.

Shares to approve or sign - none to sign at this time.

Shareholder comment that Honor relayed - positive comment concerning an employee talking about how much she loves her job and what a good team she works with

Manager's report - Perpetual inventory is now included on the monthly snapshot report. Weekends have been picking up - moving a lot of stuff, fishing opener this weekend, ready to rock for that. A couple weeks until the full swing of the busy season. Working on implementing a schedule to stay open until 7pm setting in place by Memorial Day weekend. Rearranging and changing the feed barn, removed a bunch of old junk and made more space. Slab is smaller than the building - rodents getting in. Ordered a pallet of concrete and going around the edges and sealing up. Township is working on the roads around the store area, causing some changes for the delivery trucks. Don't want pumps blocked in summertime if possible. Will talk to Township about it - maybe modify southside loading dock if necessary. Karl wants to get bids on the parking lot, would grind up all the way past the pumps, but the paved pad would only be right in front of the store and wrapped around the south side. Andy makes a motion to approve Karl getting bids, Sue seconds, all in favor, motion passes.

COVID - CDC masks went off today, MN will be done tomorrow, if people are vaccinated.

Old Business: Discuss abandoned equity and shares of members who have died. We need to review the bylaws and make a plan and a policy to deal with it. **\*Bev will check bylaws and get together with Honor on old records to start to work through this.**

Talk about the mailing to members. Honor was going to add that we are looking for new board members to the mailing/letter to members, but now wondering if the time is better spent planning the annual meeting. July seems like a good idea. Need financials by then. Tentatively schedule in person annual meeting for evening of July 27th. We want to have a plan for the abandoned equity to announce there.

New business: Scholarship winner from last year, Coby Olson, needs his check. Andy

motions that we pay the student \$350 from the board account, Sue seconds, all in favor, motion passes. Bev knows the procedure. Honor will get her the students contact info.

Teresa reports that she talked to Ruth Rabold and she will keep us abreast if anything comes up for sale, she was going to contact the owner across the road to see if there was any possibility of the Co-op purchasing some of it. It sounds like it is tied up in probate court. Other land is owned by Bonnie Tikkanen. Maybe approach Bonnie? Things to bring up at annual meeting as part of that discussion. Teresa will keep checking in with Ruth. Andy thinks it's Katy Jarvis that bought some of that property. He will approach her or her family to discuss the possibility.

Next regular board meeting will be June 10th - Farmers Market starts that day - in person meeting - 6:45pm - maybe 7pm. Bev will be gone on a trip but she can Zoom. Teresa might be gone as well. **Honor will send the Zoom link for Bev.** Everyone else will be in person.

Sue moves to adjourn. Teresa seconds, all in favor, motion passes. Meeting adjourns at 7:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Honor Schauland, Secretary