Chippewa Valley Blues Society Meeting July 8, 2008

The meeting of the Chippewa Valley Blues Society (CVBS) was at Shari's Chippewa Club in Durand on July 8th at 7:00 pm. Introductions were made, and those in attendance included: Ken Fulgione, John LeBrun, John Berman, Dan Michaels, Jim Wellner, Dane Droessler, Pete Pappas, Mike Kelley, Shari and Rob Edwards, Lisa Adams, Snapshot, Dan Callan, Mary Dettmann.

Items on the agenda:

Membership: Our non-profit status is completed.

Membership dues are due on your anniversary date. We will notify the month before as a reminder by USPS/postcard if there is no email available or direct email for all others. This was motioned and seconded.

Discussion on raffle rules: rules state that the organization must exist for a year, and one person is designated as responsible for the raffle. Question arose as to what if you donated all back to CVBS, rather that split the pot, would the rules still apply? We need to find out the specific rules for running a raffle and donations.

We will have baseball caps, as well as t-shirts available for purchase with our logo on them.

Minutes from the June meeting were passed and approved.

Committees Reports:

Website: Looking for content for the website, send information to John LeBrun.

We talked about adding the domains CVBlues.net and .org, in addition to the .com we already use, so that people can find us easier. It costs about \$10.00 per year for each domain. The group motioned and seconded to pass this item.

We are adding Dan Michaels as a corporate sponsor and deleted Stone's Throw on the website.

Fundraising: We discussed adding an event in October or November to keep the blues interest and have something between the Blues Coalition and an annual late winter event, as we had with the Lust for Blues fundraiser. Snapshot requested to approve some backing money to get something booked, possibly at the House of Rock tavern. This would be someone local or regional at a cost of possibly \$1500.00. The motion was made and seconded to sponsor such an event.

Blues on the Chippewa: to be held on Saturday, August 2nd in Durand. We will have a table with CVBS membership information available and t-shirts/baseball caps for purchase. Jim Wellner, Dane Droessler and Mary Dettmann volunteered to staff the table. If anyone else would like to help, please let us know. The table will be

located off to the side of the stage in the park. We should have someone there from 1:00 pm until 8:45 pm.

Coalition Blues: will be held on Saturday, September 13th at Owen Park in Eau Claire. The line up is set and information is on our website regarding the groups playing and times. One Man Johnson will be performing, who was around the area in the past, as well as a group from Memorial High School.

Future Events: discussed having a music event this fall, maybe late October or early November. Snapshot requested some seed money, approx. \$1500.00, to go out and possibly book something. It was motioned and seconded by members to go forward with this event. The House of Rock on Water Street has offered to sponsor a blues event. This would fund a local or regional act/s. We will work out financial details and report at future meeting. Mike Schlenker from S.O.S. has offered to donate a guitar at little or no cost, to auction or raffle at a future event.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, August 12th, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at Jake's Supper Club in Menomonie. Meeting was adjourned.