

Lake George Property Owners Association
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Sunday, October 14, 2007

- Meeting called to order by President, Dave Lewis at 10:00 a.m.
- Roll Call
 - Present – Ardner, Carey, Garner, Hamilton, Hudson, Hunt, Lewis, Smith, Street, Tobin, Wentworth
 - Excused/Absent – Swanson
 - Unexcused/Absent – None
 - Excused for April '08 Meeting – Garner
- Meeting minutes for September 2007 were accepted.
- Treasury Report
 - Marcia Wentworth reported a total treasury of \$26,658.08
 - Treasury report accepted as read.
- Correspondence
 - Received a courtesy copy of a bulkhead permit.
 - Received correspondence from Professional Lakes Management (PLM) reviewing the management program for 2008 along with projected costs for management.
 - Estimated cost for Lake George is \$19,000
 - Estimated cost for Shingle Lake is \$3,000 - \$9,000
 - K. Smith volunteered to contact PLM to determine why the estimate for Shingle Lake spans such a large dollar range.
 - Received a letter from Michigan Lakes and Streams Association (MLSA) regarding a seminar for region 8. We are in region 7 so no action is needed.
- Committee Reports
 - Auditing – Nothing new to report.
 - Boat Parade – Nothing new to report.
 - Boater Safety
 - M. Hunt to contact Sgt. Larson to schedule next year's event.
 - D. Lewis to provide M. Hunt with Sgt. Larson's phone number.
 - Directory – Nothing new to report.
 - Education – Nothing new to report.
 - Financial Planning
 - M. Wentworth reported that the current Edward Jones Certificate will expire on October 19th.
 - **Motion by M. Hunt, second by R. Hudson to roll over the certificate for another year term when it expires. Motion carried unanimously.**
 - M. Hunt reported that the Financial Planning Committee will develop a financial report for the April 2008 board meeting.
 - M. Wentworth to supply M. Hunt with a spreadsheet for the past year's expenses in preparation for the April report.
 - Lake Quality – See correspondence section.
 - Membership – Nothing new to report.
 - Merchandise – S. Street reports that new merchandise sales are going well.
 - Newsletter

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- R. Carey requested a Poker Run article from S. Street for the upcoming newsletter.
- The newsletter will be mailed out the first week of January.
- R. Carey requested that all articles intended for the newsletter are due December 31st.
- Poker Run
 - D. Lewis mentioned that there have been several requests to move the Poker Run from the traditional first weekend of February, especially since it falls on the same weekend as the Super Bowl.
 - After discussion, the Board felt that moving the Poker Run to the 2nd weekend of February would be best.
 - S. Street will call the Booster Club to see whether reservations can be made for February 9th, 2008.
- Softball Tournament – Nothing new to report.
- Township Liaison – Nothing new to report.
- Website
 - R. Carey will update the webmaster regarding the new date for the Poker Run.
 - R. Carey will have the webmaster post a notice that the LGPOA is drafting a letter stating that they do not support House Bills 4463 and 4464.
 - R. Carey will post notice on the website regard the idea of trapping muskrat, provided initial feedback from D. Lewis is that the idea is feasible.
 - R. Carey will update Susan Street's email address on the website.
- Old Business
 - Special Assessment District for Lakes Management
 - The LGPOA has concerns over the management of the tax funds collected via a special assessment district assigned for lake management.
 - The LGPOA will request from Lincoln Township a specific, documented plan on how the funding for lake management will be carried out over the coming years.
 - D. Lewis will contact the Township to request that this topic be added to the next Township Board Meeting.
 - Several members of the LGPOA will be present at the meeting to discuss this matter with the Lincoln Township Board.
- New Business
 - Susan Street's new email address is: sstreet28@yahoo.com
 - Road Ends
 - R. Carey reported on the status of House Bills 4463 and 4464 and suggested that the LGPOA issue a statement letter to State Representative Tim Moore and Senator Michelle McManus showing that the LGPOA does not support these bills.
 - R. Carey prepared a form letter with a LGPOA title for the above stated purpose.

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- R. Hudson suggested that writing a letter that was uniquely worded, might get more attention.
- M. Hunt suggested that we could send both the form letter and a uniquely worded letter as a cover page.
- M. Hunt agreed to draft a letter stating that the LGPOA does not support these bills and why. This draft will be circulated via email to the board members for review.
- M. Hunt requested board members to provide, via email, topics that they would like covered in the draft letter.
- Benefit of LGPOA having MLSA membership
 - R. Carey reported that MLSA has had several board member resignations recently and lost all representatives from region 7 to resignations.
 - The general consensus is that the MLSA has changed over the years and our membership in MLSA may not be bringing the benefits that the LGPOA would like.
 - The LGPOA board did not make any decisions on the matter and will continue to monitor the status of MLSA and the benefits that it provides.
- Donations to Children of Lincoln Township and Lake George Seniors
 - M. Wentworth raised the topic of donations to the Children of Lincoln Township and Lake George Seniors. She reported that the LGPOA donated \$600 to each group last year.
 - **Motion by R. Hudson, second by M. Hunt to donate \$600 to the Children of Lincoln Township and request a list of needs from the Lake George Seniors and fund those needs up to (but not to exceed) \$600 for the Lake George Seniors. Motion carried unanimously.**
- K. Smith suggested that there are other local community organizations that the LGPOA could consider donating to, such as a collage scholarship fund. The general consensus was to investigate this further next year.
- Spring Agenda items
 - Financial planning
 - College scholarship.
- K. Hamilton raised the question whether the LGPOA could fund or partially fund trapping of muskrat.
 - D. Lewis will contact a couple of people that he knows who are interested in trapping muskrat.
 - May post this idea on the LGPOA website once we have preliminary feedback from D. Lewis and/or K. Hamilton on feasibility.
- M. Hunt to reserve the Township Hall for next year's LGPOA meetings.
- Meeting Adjourned at 12:07 p.m.