

Lake George Property Owners Association  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
Sunday, April 13, 2008

- Meeting called to order by President, Dave Lewis at 10:00 a.m.
- Roll Call
  - Present – Ardner, Carey, Hamilton, Hudson, Hunt, Lewis, Smith, Swanson, Tobin
  - Excused/Absent – Garner, Street, Wentworth
  - Unexcused/Absent – None
  - Excused for May '08 Meeting – None
- Meeting minutes for October 2007 were accepted.
- Treasury Report
  - Rolf Hudson reported a total treasury of \$27,897.76
  - **Motion by R. Carey, second by P. Swanson to accept the treasury report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**
- Correspondence – No correspondence to report
- Committee Reports
  - Auditing (Chairman M. Garner) – Nothing new to report.
  - Boat Parade (Co-chairman M. Tobin, Co-chairman M. Garner)
    - M. Tobin reported that the start time for the parade will be a half hour later than last year to give time for the lake traffic to calm down.
    - The boat parade and the golf outing are on the same day. The boat parade is later in the day so there shouldn't be any timing issues. The Boat Parade Committee will evaluate if any changes in schedule are needed.
  - Boater Safety (Chairman M. Hunt)
    - D. Lewis provided the boater safety binder to M. Hunt.
  - Directory (Chairman K. Hamilton) – Nothing new to report.
  - Education (Chairman C. Ardner) – Nothing new to report.
  - Financial Planning (Chairman M. Hunt)
    - M. Hunt provided a detailed financial report covering the 2007 calendar year along with a 2008 budget draft.
    - R. Carey provided a handout with many ideas for potential LGPOA sponsored projects.
    - The financial committee asked the Board members to review the financial report and potential projects and come prepared to the May meeting to discuss the merits of the projects and development of a final draft for the 2008 budget.
    - The financial committee would like to present the overview of the 2007 budget and 2008 budget draft at the Corporate Meeting in May.
  - Lake Quality (Chairman R. Carey)
    - A bass tournament is planned on Lake George on June 16<sup>th</sup> and July 28<sup>th</sup>.
    - R. Carey is working on the shrink wrap recycling project. The suggested plan is to have Lake George residents drop off their used shrink wrap at the compost site. Mungers (who own Bee's Sports in St. Johns) is willing to allow us to drop off the shrink wrap at their place for recycling. R. Carey will contact Lincoln Township to verify that residents can drop off

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their shrink wrap at a designated site at the Lincoln Township compost area.

- Muskrat Trapping
  - R. Carey reported that Lincoln Township has agreed to pay for muskrat trapping out of the special assessment district funds.
  - K. Hamilton's Report
    - The muskrat trapping quote came in at \$1,000 for Lake George and \$800 for Shingle Lake. The cost for Shingle Lake was somewhat more than the initial estimate. K. Hamilton will request that the Township make an adjustment to cover the difference between the initial estimate versus the actual quote.
    - Trapping will begin on April 16<sup>th</sup> for Lake George and on May 1<sup>st</sup> for Shingle Lake.
    - Trapping will last for two weeks on each lake.
    - The traps will be flagged so that residents will know where the trap locations are.
    - All traps will be checked each day.
    - Dogs should not be able to get caught or injured in the traps.
- Membership (Chairman R. Carey)
  - Membership is at 246 members.
  - R. Carey reports that he has received applications for six new members this year.
  - Perhaps some of these new members may have come from R. Carey's work cross referencing the LGPOA membership list to the PLM mailing labels.
- Merchandise (Chairman S. Street) – Nothing new to report.
- Newsletter (Chairman R. Carey)
  - R. Carey requested that all articles are submitted by April 27<sup>th</sup> and mailed by May 2<sup>nd</sup>.
  - Articles are requested for boater safety, boat parade and softball tournament. At the very least, dates are needed for these events.
- Poker Run (Chairman K. Smith)
  - Attendance was 119 people.
  - The shuttle bus had 38 people.
  - Proceeds were down this year compared to prior years.
- Softball Tournament (Chairman M. Tobin)
  - M. Tobin stated that an alternate rain day is not planned this year. Many teams are committed to that weekend and an alternative day is unlikely to have a good turnout.
  - The Wig Society will sell food at the event.
  - Ball boys are needed. Recommended age is 10-14 years old.
- Township Liaison (Chairman K. Hamilton) – Nothing new to report.

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- Website (Chairman R. Carey)
  - The website has had 5,000 visitors.
  - Discussion about whether to set up a LGPOA website independent of MLSA.
  - **Motion by M. Hunt, second by K. Smith to set up the LGPOA website at a domain other than MLSA. R. Carey abstains, all others in favor.**
- Old Business
  - Special Assessment District for Lakes Management – K. Smith reported that Lincoln Township has a plan to bring the funds into balance with expenditures and has implemented corrective actions to prevent miss-balances in the future.
  - High Speed Internet – Work is progressing with the cable company to provide high speed internet access to Lake George residents. K. Smith reported that he has been successful using Alltel cellular service for internet access at a reasonable price.
- New Business
  - Flares for July 4<sup>th</sup>
    - R. Carey reported that his investigations found that fireworks and flares are a cause of pollution in lakes and inquired whether the LGPOA would fund flares for July 4<sup>th</sup>.
    - It was noted that there is little that can be done to prevent fireworks debris from entering the lake.
    - Some board members felt that pollution from flares could be minimized/eliminated if lakefront residents took proper precautions for flare set-up and clean-up.
    - **President D. Lewis called for a vote. Should the LGPOA fund flares for the July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration? Ardner – Yes, Carey – No, Hamilton – Yes, Hudson – Yes, Hunt – No, Lewis – Yes, Smith – Yes, Swanson – Yes, Tobin – Yes. The LGPOA agrees to fund flares for the July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration.**
    - K. Smith will obtain an estimate on the cost for flares this year so that the budget can be updated.
  - R. Carey has fifty Spotlight magazines from MSU that he will have available at the upcoming General Membership meeting.
  - Board members are reminded that the next meeting is planned for May 4<sup>th</sup> versus May 11<sup>th</sup> to avoid having the Board meeting on Mother's Day.
- Meeting Adjourned at 11:50 a.m.