

Lake George Property Owners Association  
Corporate Membership Meeting Minutes  
Sunday, May 30, 2010

- Meeting called to order by President, Rolf Hudson at 10:00 a.m.
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
  - Present – Broker, Carey, Garner, Hamilton, Hudson, Schultz, Sladick, Street, Swanson, Wentworth
  - Excused/Absent – Evenson, Penton
  - Unexcused/Absent – None
- Minutes of the September 6, 2010 Corporate Meeting were not reviewed but are available on the website.
- Treasurer’s Report
  - On September 6, 2009 the total treasury was \$33,446.77
  - Since then the \$20,000 CD matured and was set in a money fund until February 2010 where it was placed in a bond fund with 4.0 – 4.5% return rate.
  - Current total treasury balance is \$32,221.58
  - Treasury report was accepted.
- Correspondence – None reported.
- Guest Speakers
  - Sheriff John Wilson
    - Rick Miller has been promoted to Undersheriff.
    - Three people are retiring from the department
      - Lisa
      - Mark McClellan
      - Bill Larson
    - May ’09 – May ’10 statistics
      - 2,759 total incident checks by the Sheriff’s Dept.
      - 1,146 were for property checks.
      - 47 home invasions
      - 13 marine complaint call-ins
    - A member reported that a “curve ahead” sign is down on Arbor. Sheriff Wilson commented that the Clare County Road Commission is responsible for repairing the sign.
    - \$12,000 has been received from the State of Michigan for marine patrols.
    - Lincoln Township is assigned 80 hrs/wk for patrols by the Sheriff’s Office.
    - A member mentioned that the LGPOA directory could be used by the Sheriff’s Department to locate out-of-town residents. Rolf Hudson offered to get an electronic copy of the LGPOA directory to Sheriff Wilson.
  - Dennis Zimmerman
    - The Postal Regulatory Commission is planning to close up to 10,000 post offices. This may affect our local post office.

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Information is available at [www.prc.gov](http://www.prc.gov). Members can leave comments regarding the need to spare their post office at this website.

- Members were notified that the Sheriff's Department is enforcing speed limits at Cedar and Forest with the approval from Lincoln Township.
- Lake George Drive was missed by the road brining crew and will be taken care of soon.
- Downtown Street Project
  - Sidewalks will be added on the west side only
  - Ten trees will be added
  - A bike rack is planned
  - Four benches will be installed
  - Four waste receptacles will be available
  - LED street lights will be constructed
  - On the Tuesday following Labor Day the roads will be worked on.
- The street light placement at Cedar & Findley Lake Road is offset to the side. A member asked if this intersection can have a street light located in the middle. Dennis Zimmerman will investigate.
- The cable company went into bankruptcy and this caused delays in getting broadband internet service to some areas.
- Shingle Lake Park Project
  - Bidding was mishandled by the Engineering Company used by Lincoln Township.
  - Re-bidding is underway
  - Grants have been received from the Kellogg Foundation and from the State of Michigan.
- A member reported that a dead tree exists on a road end adjacent to 1605 Arbor Drive and inquired who can be contacted regarding its removal. Dennis Zimmerman mentioned that he will contact the Road Commission to take care of the matter.
- Mike Tobin
  - 193 potential unmarked gravesites were discovered at the Lincoln Township Cemetery using radar imaging.
  - A new arch has been installed via a college project.
  - The cemetery has undergone landscaping improvements.
  - There is a little known cemetery at Adams and Jackson called the Killborn Cemetery. Signage has been erected. There are two headstones there and radar imaging found other potential graves.
- Committee Reports
  - Audit (Chairman M. Garner/P. Swanson)
    - The audit will be conducted in September 2010.

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- Boat Parade (Chairman M. Garner)
  - The boat parade is planned for July 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 7:00 p.m.
  - The membership discussed potential themes for the parade and the cartoon character theme was most popular.
  - Several judging volunteers were taken by M. Garner.
- Boater Safety (Chairman A. Schultz)
  - Boater safety certification class is tentatively planned for June 19<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m.
  - No advance registration is required.
- Directory (Chairman K. Hamilton)
  - Additional copies of the LGPOA directory were available at the meeting.
- Education (Chairman R. Carey) – R. Carey noted that many educational pamphlets were available at the meeting and encouraged members to take them home.
- Finance Committee (Chairman M. Hunt)
  - The budget review for the past year was not available but the financial committee plans to present the past year's review and next year's budget plan at the Labor Day meeting.
- Lake Quality (Chairman R. Carey)
  - A bathymetric survey is planned for Fall 2010
  - Last year's fish survey results are available on the LGPOA website.
- Membership (Chairman R. Carey)
  - LGPOA membership stands at 244 members.
- Merchandise (Chairman S. Street)
  - LGPOA merchandise was available for purchase at the meeting.
  - The Lake George coasters are available; Shingle Lake coasters are not available yet.
- Newsletter (Chairman R. Carey) – Nothing new to report.
- Poker Run (Chairman Al Schultz)
  - The Poker Run was held in February.
  - Next year's Poker Run may be modified to be more of a Pub Crawl or scavenger hunt theme.
  - Approximate net profit was \$500.
- Softball Tournament (Chairman R. Hudson)
  - The softball tournament is planned for June 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at Hamlin Field.
  - Volunteers are needed for grounds keeping and line chalking
  - Youth 10-12 years old are needed for ball boys and can earn \$50/day for working 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
  - The food for this year's Softball Tournament will be serviced by the Lake George Campground.

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- Township Liaison (Chairman K. Hamilton) – Deferred to guest speaker Dennis Zimmerman.
- Website (Chairman R. Carey)
  - Last year's fish survey results are posted on the website.
  - The LGPOA website is [www.lgpoa.net](http://www.lgpoa.net)
- Winter Carnival
  - The Winter Carnival is organized by the Wig Society and the LGPOA is a supporter of the event.
  - Interested members are welcome to attend a Wig Society meeting on June 5<sup>th</sup> at the Township Hall.
- Old Business – None
- New Business
  - Muskrat Control
    - R. Hudson reported there is some property damage stemming from muskrats.
    - In the past, the Township has paid for muskrat trapping from the special assessment district funds. However, the LGPOA may fund the next trapping.
    - If trapping occurs, it will most likely be in the Fall of 2010.
- 50/50 Raffle
  - Raffle winner received \$83
  - A gift certificate for the Swiss Inn donated by Lincoln Sanitation was raffled off.
  - A coupon for a large pizza from The Depot was raffled off.
  - A hat from C&R Drilling was raffled off.
- A shirt from the Lake George Grocery was raffled off.
- Meeting Adjourned at 11:03 a.m.