

Lake George Property Owners Association

Corporate Membership Meeting Minutes

September 2, 2012 DRAFT – WILL NOT BE OFFICIAL UNTIL MAY 26, 2013

- A. Meeting called to order by President Rolf Hudson at 10:00am. Pledge of Allegiance.
- B. Roll Call. Present: Rolf Hudson, Kim Hamilton, Fred Evenson, Marcia Wentworth, Deb Briggs, Marie Garner, Dave DeLeeuw, Pat Swanson, Roger Carey, Sandy Kotch-Myers, Bill Bringer.
- C. Minutes of May 27, 2012 Membership Meeting reviewed. Motion by Kim Hamilton, second by Dave DeLeeuw to approve as read. Motion carried.
- D. Treasurer's Report was reviewed with, and made available to, the membership. Motion by Pat Swanson, second by Marie Garner to approve as submitted. Motion carried.
- E. Correspondence. There was no new correspondence to review.
- F. Introduction of Current Board.
- G. Vote on proposed Bylaw Changes. There were no questions or discussion from the membership. Motion by Dennis Zimmerman, second by Tom Podeszwick to approve the proposed bylaws. Motion carried.
- H. Election of Board Members. We have seven openings. The names on the ballot were Dave DeLeeuw (incumbent), Marcia Wentworth (incumbent), Rolf Hudson (incumbent), Deb Briggs (incumbent) Cindy Englehardt, and Merle Harmon. There were no more nominees from the membership. Motion by Dennis Zimmerman, second by Tom Godau to elect the candidates on the ballot. Motion carried. The board will seek to fill the open seat by appointment.
- I. Committee Reports
 - a. Auditing. There was a financial audit of the books performed on August 22, 2012 and there were no discrepancies found.
 - b. Boat Parade. Was deemed a success, but we only had 10 boats and 1 wave runner. Shingle Lake had their own "ad hoc" parade and it was also successful.
 - c. Boater Safety. There were 25 attendees for this free class. It was noted that you can also take the class online, then take the test in the presence of a Marine Office and pay \$29 to get your certificate.
 - d. Directory. Kim Hamilton mentioned the new directories were mailed out and there are extras on the back table. Please don't take more than two per household.
 - e. Financial Planning. The membership was reminded that we keep \$20,000 earmarked for emergency lake management issues. Muskrat trapping will be pursued this Fall. There is a sign-up sheet on the table to indicate your name and address if you believe you have a problem in your area. Kim Hamilton is the focal point on Lake George and Fred Evenson on Shingle Lake.
 - f. Lake Quality. Roger mentioned that there have been several comments about weeds and that people should volunteer to help clean them up.
 - g. Membership. As of today, we have 197 members.

- h. Merchandise. All merchandise has been 50% off since Memorial Day and we have sold over \$700 worth. We are having a Logo Contest to select a new logo for our merchandise. Anyone may enter by submitting a detailed entry by mail, email or via any board member. Entries must be submitted by October 1, 2012.
- i. Newsletter. Nothing to report.
- j. Softball Tournament. Kleen Genes team was the winner. The softball tournament has not been profitable for a few years and it has been difficult to get volunteers; therefore LGPOA will no longer be sponsoring this event.
- k. Township Liaison. Deferred to Dennis Zimmerman. Dennis informed us the Planning Commission is working on an ordinance regarding fireworks and should have it in place by next 4th of July. Road paving will take place behind the old bank building and in Thompson Resort; also Pine St. at Bertha Lake. He reminded the audience that the sirens are tested the 1st Thursday of every month at 3pm. He also mentioned that credit cards will be accepted for paying taxes, building permits, etc. in the near future. There will be a 3% fee added for credit card use. The Township is looking for candidates for both the Planning Commission and the ZBA. The Booster Club chicken BBQ is today at 4pm.
- l. Website. Nothing to report.

L. Neighborhood Watch Update – Jan Penton. Meetings are the second Thursday of each month, at 2pm in the Township Hall. Everyone is invited. There is great cooperation with the Sheriffs’ Department and the community, and it seems to be helpful in reducing the rate of crime in our area. There will be an Expo again next summer.

M. Old Business. There was no old business to discuss.

N. New Business. Jan Penton announced that Wreaths Across America placed 1700 wreaths last year in Clare County cemeteries. It is too expensive to continue to put wreaths on every veterans’ grave in so many cemeteries, so instead \$1000 will be donated for the Harrison Veteran Park and \$1000 will be donated for the Lake George Veterans Memorial, what and where to be determined.

Rolf talked about the local Post Office. The Government is trying to speed up the closing of post offices across the country. There will be a meeting in October in this area to discuss. He noted that Paul, our Postmaster, has increased revenue from \$35,000 to \$90,000 annually.

O. 50/50 drawing. The winner got \$100 and there were three pieces of merchandise also awarded.

P. Motion by Kim Hamilton, second by Pat Swanson to adjourn the meeting at 11am. Motion carried.

