GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

May 29, 2016 (APPROVED September 4, 2016)

- A. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was called to order by President Rolf Hudson at 10:04 am and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- B. Roll Call. Present: Debbie Briggs, Dave DeLeeuw, Cindy Engelhardt, Rolf Hudson, Troy Kibbey Sandy Myers, Jan Penton, Joe Rentz, Connie Tuck, Marcia Wentworth and Gail White.
- C. September 2015 Corporate Membership Meeting Minutes. The minutes from the September 6, 2015 meeting were read by Secretary Deb Briggs. Motion by Ken Cousino, second by John Harcel to approve the minutes as read. Motion carried.
- D. Treasurer's Report. Treasurer Marcia Wentworth reviewed the Treasurer's Report for the period 9/6/2015 thru 5/29/2016. We currently have a total of \$1,407.87 in our checking account, with a total of all assets of \$33,578.28. **Motion by Wayne Harrington, second by Pat Swanson to approve the report as reviewed. Motion carried**.
- E. Correspondence. The board received a letter of resignation from board member Merle Harmon because he no longer owns property in the lake area. Merle will function as an honorary member for the time being.
- F. Introduction of Current Board. Each board member briefly introduced themselves.
- G. Guest Speakers.
 - 1. Township Supervisor Dennis Zimmerman spoke on the following topics:
 - a. Road brining will be May 19, June 24 and August 24.
 - b. Compost site hours are Wednesday, Friday and Sunday 9:00am to 1:00pm. Leaves must be loose or in PAPER bags. No household rubbish!
 - c. The Township has a new rescue unit.
 - d. Gypsy Moth population is monitored by the County. There will be no treatment for Lincoln Township for 2016 but possible for Spring 2017.
 - e. Elections and AV ballots. Request your AV early because the USPS has stretched the delivery times due to the number of locations being shut down.
 - f. Smart electric meters will be replacing the current electric meters thru out 2017. There is no cost to the customer and this will allow Consumers Energy to know if/where there is a power outage.
 - g. Wake boats are a problem on smaller lakes like ours, as they can cause damage to shorelines, seawalls, moored boats, docks and impede the recreational pursuits of others. If you suffer physical damages, ID the boat by MC number and the driver if possible and call the Sheriff's Department. Michigan law provides that the owner or driver of a boat whose wake causes damage is liable and responsible for that damage.

- h. Golf carts, ATV's and UTV's. Last year the Legislature established a number of rules. By observation, the rules being violated the most include driving on roads that exceed 30mph, must have a drivers' license to drive a golf cart, children under 16 are not allowed to drive golf carts, ATV's or UTV's even with a parent sitting on the same vehicle.
- 2. Jim Fyvie, Clare County Marine Officer discussed the following:
 - a. Anyone born after 1978 has to have a boater's safety certificate to drive a boat or personal watercraft.
 - b. Clare County marine patrol officers will be on Lake George three hours each on Saturday and Sunday July 2 and 3 and one hour each day on Shingle Lake.
 - c. The most violations occur for underage drivers, children on the front of a PWC, and intoxication while driving. Note the legal limit changed from .1 to .08, same as for driving a car.
 - d. Please take advantage of the free class on June 25.

H. Committee Reports.

- 1. Auditing. The annual audit will be performed in August, just before the annual Corporate meeting in September.
- Boat Parade/Street Parade. Nancy Shaw and her daughter Monica will be taking responsibility for both parades this year. The theme of the boat parade is Captain's Choice. There will be 1st thru 4th place prizes for both parades.
- 3. Boater Safety. The class will be at the June 25 at 9am at the Township Hall. Let Joe Rentz know if you plan to attend.
- 4. Directory. The new directory has been sent out and there are a few available today. Please support our sponsors that generously support our organization.
- 5. Fund Raising. The money raised from past projects (\$6,043.95) is planned for a new pavilion at Shingle Lake Park. The RFP went out but no bids were received; however, we expect some to still come in. LGPOA is funding this project, but the township "owns" the project. We are still working on grant funds from Clare County Friends of the Parks organization and hope for a decision within the next 30 days on the grant and on a builder.
- 6. Hospitality. Please enjoy the goodies and coffee in the back of the room.
- 7. Lake Quality. There have been good fishing reports from both lakes. The water levels are fairly high on both lakes but not above legal limits.
- 8. Membership. Current membership is at 204 households, which is normal for this time of year. Let Dave know of any changes in personal information.
- Merchandise. There is a table of merchandise in the back of the room and there will be a table at the Neighborhood Watch Expo. We will also begin selling merchandise at the Depot.
- 10. Newsletter/Website. We publish three newsletters per year. The next will be in early
- 11. Township Liaison. Nothing further to report after Dennis' report.
- 12. Community Liaisons. Jan reported we have two new deputies assigned to the Township and both are very friendly. They are providing shifts reports twice per week. The NHW Expo will

take place June 18 from 9am – 3pm at the same location as last year. The Veterans' Honor Guard will be at the community park at approximately 11:30 am on Monday to place a wreath, including taps and 21gun salute. They will also march in the parade. Gail reported that the Lake George Booster's club is continuing their breakfasts the 1st Saturday of the each month. They will have the next fish fry on June 17, a yard sale on July 1 and 2 and a pork dinner on July 16.

I. Old Business.

a. A member brought up the issue of the erosion next to the seawall at the Oak Tree public access. Per Dennis Zimmerman, the Township will take up this issue.

J. New Business.

- a. Open Board Seat of Merle Harmon. The seat is open thru September. Our board meetings are the second Friday of each month, April thru November, at 9am. This meeting time is always subject to change as the sitting board finds most convenient for them. All members are urged to consider a board position.
- b. Proposed Bylaw Changes. There are three bylaw changes being proposed and they were briefly explained and discussed. They will also be communicated in the next newsletter, and will be voted on at the September meeting.
- K. 50/50 Drawing. \$102 was won by Deb Seamans.
- L. Public Comment. There was a question about the green blobs in Shingle Lake. Joe responded that this is algae bloom and that it was treated a couple weeks ago.
- M. Adjournment. Motion by Kent Cousino, second by Pat Swanson to adjourn the meeting at 11:30am. Motion carried.