

Lake George Property Owners Association Board Meeting

Electronically Approved: 8/27/2020

Date: 8/8/2020

Call to order: President Troy Kibbey called the meeting to order at 9:30 am.

1. **Roll Call:** Present: Troy Kibbey, Kelly Clark, John Jordan, Bob Barkley, Russell Smith, Craig Henry, Lori Heimbarger, Nancy Shaw, Kent Cousino,
Absent (excused): Connie Tuck, Rick Kibbey; Unexcused: Joe Rentz
2. **Minutes from Previous Meeting:** Approved on June 18,2020
3. **Treasurer Report:** John Jordan reported the following information:
 - a. TCF Bank Account: As of the balances are as follows: (changed from Chemical Bank to TCF Bank)
General checking account:
Expenses: \$585.00
Income: \$675.00 (Dan Dan the Matress Man. Kelly will write a thank-you note and drop it off.
 - b. Current Balance \$2,735.20. Need to keep a \$2500 balance at all times
 - c. Fish fund balance is a part of the general checking balance and has a current total of \$685.00
 - d. Edward Jones Checking: \$5,106.56
 - e. Edward Jones Bond fund: \$25,846.40
 - f. Total Balance of all accounts: \$33,688.16
Bob made a motion to approve the Treasury report. Kelly seconded the motion. The motion was carried.
 - g. John needs to request a card to pay expenses electronically. There are about four times per year a credit or debit card is necessary to use. Bob made a motion for John to get a credit card. Lori seconded the motion. The motion was carried.
4. **Committee Reports:**
 - a. **Correspondence:** Russ - Not much going on. Some blight.
John received a request for a donation for the Muskegon River Watershed. The committee decided against giving any donations at this time.
 - b. **Auditing:** Rick Kibbey & Kelly Clark – Troy made a motion to postpone the audit until spring because we need to have a “Member at Large” and with Covid19, it might be difficult getting a member to participate. Kent seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

- c. **Boat & Street Parade:** Went very well this year. We were possibly the only country in the area that had parades for the 4th of July.
- d. **Boater's Safety:** We are not sure if boater's safety happened this summer due to the Covid19 and have no information about the 2021 offerings.
- e. **Directory Report:** No report
- f. **Fund Raising:** Nothing to report
- g. **Hospitality:** No report
- h. **Lake Quality:** No report
- i. **Membership:** Member count – over 250. Need to organize our Excel spreadsheet of all members organized by tab by year. It might make it easier to distinguish how many standing members we have at any one time. Kent and Craig will figure out the best way to organize the data.
- j. **Merchandise:** In the spring, we need to clean out what we have stored in the back room of the Township Hall
- k. **Newsletter/Website:** Suggestion: put a link to the Treasurer's report in the electronic newsletter and house it in the "Member's Only" part of the site. Another idea for a spring newsletter would be to mention that boater's safety can be taken online. It is important that we need to get any information from Joe about boater's safety and lake quality because he is termed out.
Lori and Troy will begin working on the newsletter next week. Lori would like it out by the end of the month. Regular standard postage should be fine to use.
Renewing online option – we need a PayPal account connected to the site. John will check into this.
- l. **Township Liaison:** There is a board meeting on Monday. Russ will get the minutes. Anyone can also go to the website to read the minutes.
- m. **Community Liaison:** Nothing to report.
Fish Committee: Cindy Englehart asked Russ about stocking fish in our lake. Troy did some DNR research on our lakes and was able to find information on Lake George dated back to 1982 – present. Around 1982, LG had 16,000 northern pike planted. They also planted 3000 Walleye in 1986. The state will not plant anything other than game fish. According to the last fish survey, if we were to stock fish, we would possibly have issues with lake quality due to our pH levels. The acidity causes issues for the fish. pH levels can be corrected by throwing lime in the lake, but this needs to be permitted. We would have to find an expert company who would be able to determine what actions would need to be taken. This would more than likely be costly. Another issue is that there is no cover or structure in this lake, which causes struggles for the smaller fish. In 1956, the DNR put structure all around the perimeter of the lake and went down to about 5-10 feet in depth. The

structure is probably gone by now. We need to make the quality of the water better before we can add more fish.

To find the lake report: Go to the DNR site – search for Lake George survey and there is a very lengthy report of the lake and fish quality.

5. **Old Business:** Website launch – we want to have this ready when the newsletter comes out at the end of August.
6. **New Business:** During our spring general membership meeting, we need ask if any members would be interested in electronic copies of the newsletter. This would save quite a bit of money yearly.

Troy made a motion to spend \$106.20 to pay for a 3-year hosting for our new website. Kent seconded the motion. The motion was carried.

The meeting for September will be cancelled due to Covid19. We will hold a general membership in May 2021 assuming Covid19 is under control. We have two people who are termed out this year: Connie and Joe. We also have two people who will run again: Troy and Nancy. There are a total of four seats available. Troy made a motion to postpone the September meeting and voting for the new board members until the May meeting, John seconded the motion. The motion was carried.

7. Kelly made the motion to adjourn today's meeting and Kent seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 10:50 am.

Next Meeting: April 2021