

Lake Lenape Association Minutes for January 10, 2012

Attending Board Members- M. Longman, K. Smith, C. Wallis, W. Hart, R. Doidge, K. Bandel, R. Smith, K. Roberts, and C. Widgren.

Attending Members- Jim Passafaro, Joe Kimble, Mary Belloff, Harry Hanson, Joe Franciosi, Larry Poletti, Peg Poletti,

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 and Harry Hanson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

R. Doidge proposed that this meeting be used to get to know each other as well as regular lake business. He also proposed that we not use this meeting as a reorganization meeting and delay the nomination and election of officers. Mary Belloff offered to continue to order badges and decals.

At this point all attending board members introduced themselves gave a brief background and gave a statement of what they would like to offer to the lake.

R. Doidge opened the meeting up to the membership for any questions or concerns. Jim Passafaro noted that the clubhouse needed some work and far as the floors being stripped and waxed and a good overall cleaning. He also stated that he would like to take over renting the clubhouse out and save the \$25 per rental that we are now paying to Brenda Post. Jim Passafaro and Joe Kimble also proposed the addition of some fundraisers including a "turkey shoot".

Mary Belloff requested that the board look into the feasibility of changing the voting to a "secret ballot" style election. W. Hart stated that she had a good point and he would come up with a proposal to reform the voting system to protect the privacy of one's vote. He also made it known that he took great exception into the aftermath of the election and the actions that were taken by a candidate in confronting members who did not vote for him. W. Hart said he would bring a proposal to the next board meeting.

Joe Franciosi asked why our attorney was present at the meeting and if we paid for it? The lawyer was paid to be present and she was asked to be there because of the controversy surrounding the election ballots.

Mary Belloff also raised the concerns of the email being used for campaigning and unofficial lake use. It was stated that there was no intention to use or share members email uses for unofficial purposes. There would be more care in the future to protect email addresses.

Barry Holland formatted the 2012 membership form and rate sheet. Barry also volunteered to continue to host the lake website through his company Data Technologies. He also stated that Diane Plumb would like to continue to serve as the lifeguard supervisor working with K. Roberts.

All documents including by laws and rules are available on the website, lakelenapenj.com.

Larry Poletti stated that he had some concern with the dam construction schedule. He feels that they should have built the dam from the bottom up. R. Doidge told Larry that there was a dam committee meeting tomorrow and invited him to attend the meeting.

Barry Holland wanted to make sure that the intention was for the lake to remain in a lowered state for the remainder of the project. R. Doidge said that it was the plan to keep the lake lowered for winter.

This concluded the public session of the meeting.

Minutes- C. Widgren read minutes from the Dec.13, 2011 General Membership Meeting. Motion to accept minutes as read by K. Bandel, seconded by K.Roberts and carried by full vote.

Dam Committee- R. Doidge said that we received the Sussex County Soil Conservation Report, which said everything was satisfactory. An invoice of \$235,342.08 was received for the work on the sheet pilings; we are waiting for state reimbursement. Walter asked what dam committee members were regular attendees to the dam committee meetings. R. Doidge stated that all but Gary Paporello have been regular attendees to the meetings. W. Hart was also concerned that the past president had too much involvement into decisions and responsibility of the dam project. There was discussion about whether certain committee members should remain on the committee. The consensus of the board was that they would rather add members to committees rather than take anyone off, giving it more voices. W. Hart stated that he would like to serve on the dam committee and would be the one who relays any information that will posted on the website. It was brought up that all mail should be sent to the P.O. Box and not to a board member's personal mailbox. W. Hart stated that he would like to bring up a motion at the next meeting addressing the subject.

Buildings and Grounds- W. Hart and R. Smith agreed to serve on the committee.

Socials- M. Longman suggested that M. Delagiacomma would be interested in serving on the committee again. R. Doidge said he would ask her to do it.

Security- M. Longman and C. Wallis agreed to be on the committee.

The Sentinel- C. Widgren said that he would take over writing and publishing The Sentinel.

Treasurer's Report- C. Wallis said that he would take over as treasurer, if so elected.

Membership- R. Doidge would like to remain on the membership committee along with new members K. Smith and W. Hart. It was suggested that we have some kind of discount on the **New Membership Fee**. M. Longman suggested we waive the fee this year altogether in an effort to attract new members. It was decided that we would waive the new membership fee altogether this year. The proposal was made by R. Doidge, seconded by C. Widgren and carried by the full board.

Insurance- R. Doidge and K. Roberts will continue to serve on the insurance committee.

Old Business- The last election was for seven (7) spots, but two (2) of those was 1-year spots. It was agreed upon that W. Hart and M. Longman would assume those spots. Joe Kimble installed the outside light. C. Widgren said he would write a thank you note to him.

New Business- There are two major issues with the clubhouse. The furnace has a broken heat exchanger and the furnace needs to be replaced. Also, the upper portion of the roof on the clubhouse needs to be replaced. W. Hart said he would look into the issues.

The calendar of events needs to be established as soon as possible.

R. Doidge read a Thank You card from Harry Hanson for the gift card that was given to him from the board.

W. Hart wanted to make a point that the board should make some sort of recognition to Rich Hammler for all of his work and time he volunteered to the LLA as a long time president.

W. Hart thought we should keep a Port-A-John in the winter months so that there were facilities for those attending meetings.

Motion to adjourn at 9:30 by K. Bandel, seconded by M. Longman and carried by full board.

Submitted on January 31, 2012 by Chris Widgren