

## **Lake Lenape Association Minutes for March 13, 2012**

**Attending Board Members-** Ken Bandel, Mike Longman, Ray Wexler, Ray Doidge, Kevin Smith, Chris Wallis, Eric Karr, Ken Roberts, Ron Smith, Walter Hart and Chris Widgren.

**Attending LLA Members-** Jim Diverio, Joe Franciosi, Joe Kimble, Harry Hanson, Morely Jaffe, Shaun Mercer, Larry Poletti, Margaret Ebersbach.

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

**Minutes-** Chris Widgren read the minutes from the February 13, 2012 meeting. Motion to accept minutes as read by Ken Roberts, seconded by Mike Longman and carried by full board.

**Insurance-** All insurance is in order, D&O is in place and the workmen's comp should be in place soon.

**Audience Participation-** Morely Jaffe questioned how many pontoon boats were allowed on the lake and if there was an age limit to operate the boats? Walter Hart said that the bylaws committee was planning to address the issue. R. Doidge stated that the only people who would essentially be able to own pontoon boats would be lakefront property owners who could dock the vessels.

Jim Diverio stated that there was a dead deer in the lake in the North cove. Ken Bandel stated that he would look into the situation.

**Lifeguards-** Diane Plumb will be at the April meeting to discuss progress on lifeguards and the beach inspection report criteria. Diane is checking on the average pay for guards in the area. The application will be on the LLA website soon. There was some concern on what kind of liability coverage volunteers who are not Board Members are protected by. R. Doidge stated that all are covered under D&O coverage.

**Badges and Decals-** Badges and Decals have been received by Mary Belloff.

**Water Management-** Nothing to Report.

**Security-** Nothing to Report.

**Sentinel-** C. Widgren stated as more information is put online, the Sentinel will contain just basics. It is in the process of being written and should be out in April. Suggestion for content included Calendar of Events, solicitation of contractors, rules and a suggestion box.

**Bylaws-** Walter Hart with the assistance of other members came up with a procedure change in the way the elections are handled. Proposed changes would make all ballots "secret". Since the recommended bylaw change is recommended by Robert's Rules, we can follow Robert's Rules recommended procedures of voting in the next election without having to have it approved first. An elections committee will be established for elections each year. No one up for election will serve on the election committee.

W. Hart also asked if the board wanted to pursue ice fishing rules changes. The board agreed that they would like to see a proposal for a change of ice fishing rules. K. Bandel asked that the committee come up with a bylaws change addressing a 2 year term limit for the office of president. C. Widgren proposed that minutes should no longer be read at the meeting, instead board members will review minutes in advance and just approve at the meeting. W. Hart read a letter from Rick Cianciulli questioning some issues including the board approving the cost of the cofferdam and the cofferdam altering the lake which he believes needs a full membership vote. It was stated that the cofferdam was a change order to the project that did not need a full vote.

**Dam Report-** Work has resumed on the training wall and a verbal agreement has been received by the DEP for the cofferdam. The lake will be dropped an additional 3 feet for the installation of a smaller than originally projected cofferdam. Once the cofferdam is in place, all work on the head wall and pipe can be done, at which time the lake will be filled up until the sluice gate arrival onsite. At that time the lake will be dropped again and the valve will be replaced with a sluice gate.

There was concern about what the scenario will be if there was any delay in receiving the valve. It was suggested that the pipe could be temporarily plugged and the final stage of the project could be delayed until the fall. Larry Poletti stated that he thought the time for the lake refilling with no rain was risky, it could take much longer in dry conditions.

**Building and Grounds-** W. Hart presented quotes for roofing, heating, plumbing and electric to do repairs on the clubhouse. He also presented quotes for lawn cutting and fall cleanup. Yard Barbour was the low bidder at \$2094 (including Tax). R. Smith presented 4 quotes trimming dead wood and removal of 3 trees by the boat ramp. At this time the Board decided that the best thing would be to trim the dead wood on all 6 maples by the beach for safety reasons. It was approved to use Jim's Tree Service to trim the 6 maples and leave the firewood for members to take and to do some sealing work on the chimney to prevent water damage.

The furnace in the clubhouse needs replacement by the next heating season. Costs run from \$4,000-\$5,100.

W. Hart wants to fix up the outside patio area, which at this time is an eyesore. He made some drawings of what a new railing could look like. Rick LaPola thought that making the deck watertight and putting some stamped concrete on it could really make it look nice.

The Chimney needs some work, it presently leaks.

**Treasury Report-** C. Wallis presented a 2012 budget and pointed out that we really have no extra money. We need more members to get any extra money to do any projects. He will start passing out P&L statements at the May meeting. The biggest factor right now is the amount of members that join the lake. Motion to accept Treasury Report by R. Doidge, seconded by M. Longman and carried by full board.

**Old Business-** Rich Hammler will give any paperwork he has to R. Wexler concerning the dam. There was some debate on the “2-week rule”; where no important decisions are made on the same day. It was determined that some decisions need to be made right away, but when possible there should be a delay or tabling of any “new business”. Some water needs to be going over the dam into the stream for aquatic life.

**New Business-** A potential member asked for special consideration concerning membership fees and asked for a reduction because of an existing medical condition. The board determined that we have never granted this kind of hardship reduction of fees and will not start.

*A Motion to adjourn was made at 10pm by R . Doidge seconded by K. Roberts and carried by the full board.*

Submitted By C. Widgren on April 9, 2012.