

## Lake Lenape Association Minutes for January 13th, 2014 (General Meeting)

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**LLA Board Members in Attendance** - W. Hart, K. Roberts, C. Baksa, S. Minnick, K. Bandel, S. Hagaman, S. Mercer, B. Walsky, E. Karr (Late Arrival)

*Meeting was called to order at 7:08pm, The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. It was determined that a quorum was present. A Moment of Silence was observed for our Troops and Service People.*

**Public in Attendance** – Annmarie Keegan, Jessica Brennan, Dave Kerr.

Public in attendance is encouraged to sign in on an individual or “group” basis.

**For the Good of the Order** – This will be a new process by which membership concerns that are not on the agenda can be discussed in a civil manner. Each person or group will have a time limit as to not allow the topic to take up all of the time of the meeting. Discussions that get too lengthy or out of hand will be tabled or added to the agenda for a future date.

**Minutes** - Minutes from the December 11<sup>th</sup> 2013 were presented by the secretary for acceptance. A small section on Page 2 was read out loud and a motion was made to accept the minutes.

(1) K. Roberts (2) K. Bandel - All in favor: (Yes) - Opposed: (None)

**Secretary Report** – C. Baksa

Nothing to report at this time.

**President(s) Report** – W. Hart / K. Roberts

The “History of Lake Lenape Association” document was discussed. This doc will be posted to the web site for all to see. The By-laws are published online and each trustee is encouraged to read them and be familiar with them. Future Board meetings will be held once a month (doing away with 2 meetings per month in the summer). Committee meetings can be held whenever necessary and with fewer people. All board members now have official Lake E-mail addresses. Everyone’s lake associated e-mail address will be published on the webpage and future documents as the main means of contact for each board member. This will stop personal email accounts from being flooded with Lake Business.

**Meeting Procedures of the Quorum** – K. Roberts

K. Roberts read a proposal for a “Code of Conduct Policy” which states *“It is Important for the Board of Trustees to represent the Lake Association in a professional manner. Therefore, during formal Board Meetings; the use of tobacco, alcohol and offensive language shall be prohibited. This prohibition shall apply to trustees’, members and guests.”*

A motion made to put the topic on the table for discussion.

(1) K. Bandel (2) B. Walsky - All in favor: (Yes) – Opposed: (None)

After brief discussion, a motion was made by W. Hart for a vote to accept the “Code of Conduct” as read and to enact immediately.

All in favor: W. Hart, K. Roberts, C. Baksa, K. Bandel, S. Hagaman, B. Walsky,  
Opposed: S. Minnick, E. Karr, S. Mercer  
Result: Code of Conduct Policy Passed

Mike Longman has officially tendered his resignation from the Board of Trustees. A motion was made to accept his resignation with regret and to thank him for all his efforts.

(1) K. Bandel (2) K. Roberts - All in favor: (Yes) – Opposed: (None)

A motion was made to consider Jessica Brennan and Annmarie Keegan as replacements to the Board of Trustees in the vacant seats previously belonging to Kevin Smith (2 Year term) and Mike Longman (1 Year term).

In the spirit of fairness, a coin was tossed to determine who would accept each term length.

(1) C. Baksa (2) E. Karr - All in favor: (Yes) – Opposed: (None)

Results: Jessica Brennan – 2 Year Term replacing Kevin Smith  
Annmarie Keegan – 1 Year Term replacing Mike Longman

#### **Treasurer’s Report – S. Hagaman**

Scott provided Overview of the budget numbers with a review of the general categories over the past several years. Scott will provide a monthly finance going forward.

A discussion on ticket prices for socials ensued as well as a discussion on raising the member dues. The acceptable Cost Of Living Adjustment not requiring a general membership vote per the LLA Rules & Regulations is 1.5% as published by the Social Security Administration for adjusting annual benefits. The 2014 dues will reflect this adjustment.

#### Proposed 2014 Chart of Fees

Standard membership	\$364 (2013 fee) + COLA adjustment of 1.5% = \$369
Sponsored membership	\$407 (2013 fee) + COLA adjustment of 1.5% = \$413
Senior membership	\$220 (2013 fee) + COLA adjustment of 1.5% = \$223
Guest badges standard & senior (4 max)	\$8
Guest badges sponsored (2 max)	\$10
Membership Mailing fee	\$6
Day Passes	\$5
Wireless internet	\$25
Membership postage charge	\$6
Late charges April	\$10
Late charges May	\$20
Late charges June	\$30

Late charges July	\$40
Late charges August and later	\$50
Clubhouse rental fee	\$150
Clubhouse security fee refundable	\$100
On Site Boat storage fee	\$25

There will not be a new member fee for the 2014 membership year. It was also stressed that no one will have amnesty from Late Fees.

A motion was made to adopt the schedule of fees by W. Hart.

All in favor: (Yes) – Opposed: (None)

The “Schedule of Fees” is now adopted for the 2014 membership year as shown above.

A question was raised by C. Baksa about the feasibility of having Craig Dickerson’s band (3\$MuMu) play a couple of sets in addition to having the DJ for the Memorial Day party. Craig was approached and loved the idea. The Socials committee would need to investigate if there is any type of restrictions from the town for noise or ordinances that do not allow live bands.

**Committee Reports**

**Socials and Events – E. Karr**

**Proposed Event Schedule**

Easter Party	SAT. APRIL 19	2PM
Spring Membership Meeting	SAT. MAY 3	2PM
Beach Set Up	SAT. MAY 17	9AM
Memorial Day Party	SUN. MAY25	2PM
Kids Fishing Derby	SAT. JUNE 14	TBD
Hot Dog Roast (July 4 <sup>th</sup> Party)	FRI. JULY 4	2PM
Movie Night	FRI. JULY 11	8PM
Summer Camp Out	SAT. JULY19	2PM
Summer Social (TBD)	SAT. AUG 2	2PM
Labor Day Picnic	SUN. AUG 30	2PM
Beach Cleanup	SAT. SEPT 13	9AM
Fall Camp Out	SAT. OCT 4	2PM
Oktoberfest	SAT. OCT 25	2PM
Halloween Party	TBD	TBD
Fall Membership meeting / Elections	SAT. NOV 15	2PM
Christmas Party	SAT. DEC 13	7PM

Some events will have a charge. (TBD)

### **Membership - C.Baksa**

Membership badges (swim tags) and boat decals will be sourced by a different vendor this year. An analysis of what was purchased last year and what was leftover at the end of the year shows that 50% of the materials purchased were discarded. The new vendor will provide better pricing and more flexible quantity breaks. The quantities of member vs guest badges will also be changed as we ran out of guest badges last year. The goal is to pay less as well as discard less. Sample swim tags and proposed boat stickers were passed around for evaluation. The topic was raised about including an optional survey form in the envelope with the application. Eric Karr is going to work on the survey questions. We want any and all input from the membership and will use the suggestions to drive improvement and new activities.

### **Lifeguards - K.Roberts**

A new application for the Lifeguards will be created. The application needs to be ready for March. K. Roberts will provide details required for the new application. Chris will send Ken last year's form so it can be evaluated and a new form created.

### **Insurance - K.Roberts**

Insurance for the lake is due in March. There are no additional updates at this time.

### **Water Quality - W. Hart**

There are no updates on water quality at this time.

### **Dam Project - K. Bandel**

The dam construction is moving along as planned and is on target for completion as contracted. The pipe is almost ready to be slip lined and is tentatively scheduled. The pipe is currently clogged with debris and the construction team has been working on clearing the debris out which encompasses the entire 100 foot length. The Police have been onsite several times for incidents including easement confusion as well as trespassing by employees of AMI. The Association has officially filed our damages suit against AMI in Sussex County Superior Court and it has been served to the bonding company as well as AMI.

### **Buildings and Grounds - B. Walsky**

Barry contacted the Department of Agriculture regarding a permit for the starter pistol registration. According to the Department of Agriculture, a permit is no longer required. Barry was referred to the NJ DEP and the Dept. of Fish, Game and Wildlife where this was verified. The only concern was possible local ordinances for noise.

K. Roberts called the member who was in possession of the starter pistol as a personal courtesy. The weapon and the ammunition were turned over to Ken freely. Ken then turned over the weapon to the president (W. Hart).

A motion was made to appoint B. Walsky the individual who would hold onto the weapon and use for goose control. This responsibility includes keeping a log of times and dates of the weapons discharge.

All in favor: (Yes) – Opposed: (None)

Motion adopted and the weapon and ammunition was officially handed to Barry.

There is no update on the demolition of the dungeon at this time. (The dungeon the term we use to reference the old building that was used as a changing room many years ago.) Tom Keegan will be contacted for possible dates to begin the project. Materials from the dam project will be utilized as fill for the demolition project. Our engineers are involved throughout the process and all permits have been accounted for.

B. Walsky inquired about property boundary between the Lake Association and his home. A survey will be done at Barry's expense based upon the improvements Barry wishes to do.

**Old Business:**

Dave Kerr wishes to schedule the 2014 Kids Fishing Derby on the weekend of June 14<sup>th</sup>. The date is confirmed and we will add this to the scheduled events calendar. Dave will pass funds collected to the board so it can be deposited into the lake accounts.

The Boy Scouts will be collecting Christmas trees in Andover borough. We would like to use some of these trees to be used as fish habitats. After consultation with Larry Kovar, he recommends that sinking trees weighted with a cinderblock is a perfect way to create much needed fish habitats. Trees can be placed on the ice now so when it thaws they will sink right to the bottom at those placements. He also recommends that the trees should be placed 4 feet below the lowest level of water when the Lake is lowered so the fish have a place to hide.

A motion was made to appoint B. Walsky, Dave Kerr and E. Karr to prepare and execute a plan as well as document the locations of the trees.

All in favor: (Yes) – Opposed: (None)

C. Baksa inquired about lake bed clean up while the Lake was still frozen. The suggested use of an ATV and gas powered chainsaw will be allowed for this project with the stipulation that the necessary materials be carried at all times to contain and clean up any accidental spillage of fuel or oil on the lake bed.

A motion was made to allow the use of the ATV and chainsaws for this project only with the stipulations provided above. The time and date of execution will be determined at a later date.

(1) E. Karr (2) K. Bandel - All in favor (Yes) - Opposed (None)

Motion passed the public will be notified with a request for public volunteers.

The SCRIP program has now been officially terminated. All inventory and monies has been collected or accounted for as best we know. The effort of the program at this point is greater than the gain. It can be re-visited in the future if enough interest is shown.

Update on the Status of illegal dumping on Rutherford Avenue. K. Roberts has researched and discovered that the 130+ acre property owned by old creamery LLC is in foreclosure. The property is polluted with general dumping as well as oils and possible heavy metals. The town has no use for the land at this time.

## New Business

A discussion ensued on Lake Lenape committee members for 2014. The following committee schedule was agreed up on and adopted. The new committees take effect immediately.

Membership: Chris Baksa\*, Steve Minnick  
Insurance: Ken Roberts\*, Scott Hagaman  
Lifeguards: Ken Roberts\*, Jessica Brennan  
Socials: Eric Karr\*, Jessica Brennan  
Building, Grounds and Clubhouse Rentals/Management: Barry Walsky\*, Annie Keegan  
Sentinel: Chris Baksa\* (contribution of content by all)  
Water Quality and Weed Management: Shawn Mercer\*, Ken Bandel  
Bylaws, Rules and Security: Steve Minnick\*, Shawn Mercer  
DAM: Ken Bandel\*, Ken Roberts, Walt Hart  
Fund-raising: Annie Keegan\*, Eric Karr

Note: (\*) denotes the chair person

S. Minnick suggested that the roadside sign be updated with the date, time and location of the next board meeting.

*A motion to adjourn was made at 9:34 pm*

*(1) K. Bandel (2) C. Baksa - All in favor (Yes) - Opposed (None)*

*Minutes Submitted by C. Baksa on February 7<sup>th</sup> 2014*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Baksa", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.