

Lake Lenape Association Minutes for October 13th 2015 (General Meeting)

LLA Board Members in Attendance (7)

A. Keegan, K. Roberts, S. Minnick, S. Hagaman, E. Karr, J. Brennan, Dave Kerr

Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm. 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

Karol Dobaczewski , Brenda Izzo, Chris and Margaret Christoffersen, Paul Yost, Michael and Diane Dayer, Jim Bederka

For the Good of the Order

C. Christoffersen asked about the dam and if we had an idea of when the lake residents would start paying. The dam project is still involved in litigation and that will need to be completed before the town begins assessments. Our best guess at the moment would be spring/summer of 2016.

B. Izzo went to the website and noticed that the board has failed to post minutes for August and September. She expressed that “[board members] signed up for a job and do your job. If you can’t do your job find someone else who can.” The board apologized and will work harder to get the minutes posted in a timely manner from now on.

M. Christoffersen would like to take this opportunity to thank the board for all their hard work. She would like to thank the volunteers who work so hard at the events throughout the season for making them such a success. She would like to thank the grill volunteers and especially the pirates who invade the events, the kids love them. C. Christoffersen seconded those comments.

P. Yost would also like to say thank you to the board and everyone who works so hard at the lake. The grounds look fantastic and recognized the amount of “stuff” the board has to put up with. There is a lot of work behind the scenes that most people don’t realize and would like to thank everyone who works for the betterment of the lake community.

M. Dayer asked about the lake right of ways. The lake does own property in the neighborhood as well as have easements on private property for right of ways for lake access and maintenance. The board is investigating lots and work on a mailing list for notification letters to adjacent home owners.

President(s) Report – A. Keegan

Megan Kelly was approached to be the lake lawyer for normal non-dam related issues.

New member packers are available to new residents in the community. We are working hard to identify new residents as the move in to make sure they get a packet welcoming them to the area. Please contact any board member if you would like one or know of a new resident who should receive one.

Walter Hart has donated a flag to the association. The board is currently reviewing possible locations to display the flag and would like to extend our sincere appreciation to Walter for the generous gift.

Treasury Report – S. Hagaman

Expenses are on par with our budget and comparable to last year at this time. Our current bank statement is at about \$85,000 which is about \$5,000 less than last year. Current estimates are that the account will be between \$65,000 and \$70,000 at the end of the year.

The tax adjustment was put into effect and the lake is receiving a reduced tax rate. This was thanks to Chris Widgren who started this process many years ago.

The hydroraking fund was originally started not only for hydroraking of the lake but for maintenance of the lake. After investigation of hydroraking, it was deemed that it would be much more expensive than the lake could afford, and the donations are not coming in at a pace to see that come to fruition. We will investigate using those funds to pay for cattail management which is a more affordable project, within the scope of the donations and we feel is fulfilling the “spirit” by which that fund was started.

Committee Reports

Socials – J. Brennan / D. Kerr

Halloween Party is scheduled for October 31. We are currently toying with the times the party will start and end. We will have carnival games, some food. It’s for kids of all ages. Plan is to start trick or treating around 5:30 have a ribbon cutting to set the kids off through the neighborhood. We will have trunk or treating cars setup before that. At 8pm back at the clubhouse, campfire, smores, hot coco, etc.

Christmas party is currently scheduled for December 12th. Our very own Craig Dickerson and his band \$3 mumu have been booked to play at the event.

Fund Raising –D. Kerr

We are planning to have another turkey shoot fund raiser. Details to come soon.

Buildings and grounds – A. Keegan / S. Minnick (for B. Walsky in his absence)

We have received a clubhouse rental for November 7. This is late in the year, and Barry wanted to winterize the clubhouse on November 1. After discussion, the board decided to push off winterizing the clubhouse till after the membership meeting on November 14. This would leave running water and bathrooms open for the rental and the meeting. This is contingent on the weather and if the temperature drops enough to warrant the winterization of the clubhouse earlier than that, it will be done.

The fireplace and chimney was inspected and the chimney should be repaired before having another fire in the fireplace in the clubhouse.

Geese – D. Kerr

The resident geese seem to have been driven away in July. We were mostly goose free for the month of August and that shows in the water quality test reports. Geese have started to appear on the lake recently. These are most likely migratory birds using this as a temporary stop on their way to Canada. They should be gone soon.

Elections –S. Minnick

We need to send out an email blast and phone chain message as soon as possible. Elections are coming up and we need to get the list of everyone who would like to have their name on the ballot and notify people to contact us for absentee ballots.

Weed Management, Fish habitats and Water Quality – D Kerr

Currently the lake has an abundance of green algae, we are working with our water management guy to balance the removal of cattails and algae to maintain lake water quality as best as possible.

Insurance – K. Roberts

March our insurance is up for renewal. We are happy with our insurance but we are going to investigate partnering with COLA to get a better deal, possibly from Wells Fargo.

Boats Racks – E. Karr

We are just about full to capacity. We received pictures of boat rack designs from surrounding lakes to see if we could use those designs to make our boat racks better and easier to use. Will follow up in the spring for possible boat rack changes.

Docks – S. Hagaman

Scott and Ken investigated replacement options for the fishing dock next to the boat launch as well as the floating dock that people swim out to in the swimming area. The current dock structures are starting to wear out and their design causing a significant amount of extra effort to pull them in for the winter and deploy for the summer. There are many possibilities. We will receive quotes for the different options and present them to the board for consideration.

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Motion to adjourn the meeting. 1st K Roberts, 2nd J Brennan. Motion passes at 8:15 pm.

Minutes Submitted by S. Minnick on October 18th 2015