

## *Lake Lenape Association Minutes for April 11th 2017*

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### **LLA Board Members in Attendance** (8)

S. Mercer, M. Dunbar, S. Minnick, A. Anderson, D. Kerr, J. Liccardi

*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**

Peggy Widgren, Willy Ditmar, Ray Wexler, Joe Kimble, Ken Roberts, Beth Wyczynski

### **For the Good of the Order**

Willy Ditmar stated that he has been a resident in this neighborhood for almost 20 years and his property is adjacent to the association's property on Lenape Ave (that contains some boat storage and a dock). The Lake Association had recently approached Mr. Ditmar and informed him that the association wanted to try to clean up the association's property on Lenape Ave, try to make it look less like an abandoned property and make it more usable for the membership. Mr. Ditmar said that this is the 4<sup>th</sup> time that the association has attempted to do something with this property and that every time in the past the association has tried to do something with that property, he (and his immediate neighbors) have "shot it down" because they like it the way it is. Mr. Ditmar said that during ice fishing season, ice fishermen will park on his lawn and it's a problem, but generally these vehicles don't cause damage because the ground is frozen. He also expressed concern about people who park on the street because the road is so narrow that when cars park on along Lenape Ave in that area, the remaining road is only wide enough for one car to pass. With the people who walk on Lenape Ave, more vehicles on Lenape (driving and parking) was a concern for him. Mr. Ditmar didn't think that making the property more inviting and having more people use that property was a good idea. Mr. Ditmar said that the Lake Association was required to do a survey of the people who live in the immediate area of that property on Lenape Ave (that is owned by the association) before we can do anything with this property. The association respectfully disagreed with the notion that we had to ask permission of the immediate neighbors before we did any work on association property. We were informing him of the upcoming work and improvements as a neighborly courtesy. Currently the board has some donated time, equipment and place to haul away any unneeded material from this project and the board would like to improve this property and make it something nice for the membership to enjoy. We have future plans to improve/fix the dock at that location. Mr. Ditmar said he would only want an improvement be made to the property if it was limited access to the people who live in the immediately vicinity and requested that we not allow the whole membership to use this property. The board made the point that if it was lake association property that it would be available to all members should they choose to utilize the property and we wouldn't wish to limit use of this property to only some members.

The board, once again described the goals of the improvements to this property. To clean up the brush and debris, take care of any dead or rotting trees, make the path down to the lake more accessible for people, and generally reduce the look of "it's an abandoned property". Matt Dunbar has volunteered his time to work and manage the project. Ray Wexler made the statement that if Matt was involved it would be done correctly, appropriately and tastefully. We will be adding signage as well to the property. The property will be improved in stages. Mr. Ditmar listened to the proposed plans for the property and said all were acceptable and he was "on board" with this project. The association thanked him for his approval while making a note that it was not a gating factor in the project progressing, but appreciated that our neighbor who lived next to the property in question was amenable to our plans.

Ken Roberts brought up the possibility of a Dragon Race. It's something that is done at Lake Mohawk, it's a fund raiser. It's a \$1500 charge, they provide the boat. And then each team practices rowing with that board and then come back to Lake Mohawk to compete in a boat race. Ken would like to investigate more and possibly help start a Lake Lenape team to represent us in this race. If a lake like Lake Mohawk can do it, why can't we even run something like this?

**Minutes** – The secretary respectfully submits March minutes for approval.

Motion was made to accept the minutes for March:

(1) J. Liccardi (2) A. Anderson - All in favor: (Yes) - Opposed: (None)

Minutes for March shall be updated and posted online.

### **President's Report** – S. Mercer

We contacted Peggy Widgren and asked her if she would like to join the board (taking over Beth Wyczynski's vacated position) and she accepted the offer.

Motion was made to accept the Peggy Widgren to the board of trustees (to serve out the remainder of Beth Wyczynski's term, will be up for re-election in November 2017):

(1) J. Liccardi (2) A. Anderson - All in favor: (Yes) - Opposed: (None)

Peggy Widgren is now a member of the Lake Lenape Board of Trustees.

We received a letter from Barry Walsky asking to step down from his spot as a member of the board of trustees for personal reasons. We regretfully accept his resignation and thank him for his years of service to the Lake Lenape Association.

Barry Walsky made some monetary donations to the lake to repay the lake for many things the lake has done for him over the years. We graciously accepted his donations.

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

Scott will be filing our first quarter taxes based on the incoming membership funds.

### **Secretary Report** – S. Minnick

We are re-organizing the phone chain list and email list to make sure they are up to date.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Scholarship Committee** – P. Widgren

Met last week and everyone in the committee has tasks assigned. We have received some donations of 3 cases of wine for use for a fundraiser. We used the email blast system and facebook to put out the word that we had started this Scholarship committee and the response we have received has been extremely positive.

#### **Membership Report** – S. Minnick

We have 154 memberships received so far this year. 93 of them have been processed, 61 have yet to be processed at this time. Out of the 91 processed we have 42 standard, 38 senior, 13 sponsored.

Beth Wyczynski asked about sponsored members, if there was still room and if there were any limitations. And yes there is still room for sponsored members, right now there are only 13 (with 61 incoming memberships unprocessed) and we can have up to 50 sponsored members. Also sponsored members are not limited to geographical location.

#### **Clubhouse Rentals** – E. Karr

None.

#### **Boat Storage** – E. Karr

The last "come down to the lake and pick your boat slip" day will be Saturday May, 13<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Buildings and grounds** – A. Anderson / M. Dunbar

The garbage pickup is now back on a normal schedule. We will increase that schedule as the summer season gets busier.

We talked to the dock company to get the docks mounted and setup and they will have that done by Memorial Day.

We need to fix the ladder on the concrete dock.

We are trying to replace the swim ropes before this summer season. We received pricing for new ropes and floats. The recommendation is to have floats anywhere between 3-5 feet, the old ropes had floats spaced every 10 feet. The new floats are lockable on the ropes, you can space them where you want to and lock them in place.

Beach setup is scheduled for May 13<sup>th</sup>, check the online calendar.

We cut down a tree on Elm Ave. John Lambert, his son and Nick helped. The Lake Lenape Association would like to extend its gratitude and appreciation to John Lambert and his helpers for the work they did getting rid of this tree. It cost \$200 for the cherry

picker to use to drop the tree. Jim Diverio, who owns the property next door to the Elm Ave property, bought the wood for \$200 so his purchase covered the price of the cherry picker.

We are going to fix the fence that goes from the edge of our property behind the clubhouse and extends to the bathrooms. We are planning on getting a porta-potty soon, before the Memorial Day party.

**Insurance** – S. Hagaman

None.

**Fundraising** – D. Kerr

We are going to be putting together a cornhole tournament for the Memorial Day picnic. All the fundraising around this will be to benefit Adam Anderson's son Drew. We are going to get/build a bunch of cornhole boards and run the tournament before the party and anticipate that it will run through the party and end around 4pm ish.

The previous brewery tour had very happy participants, but the number of people on the tour was only enough to fill 1 bus. We have been approached as to when we will be running another. We will try to come up with a schedule for another tour and try to get more people, with the interest we are seeing we should be able to get more people to go.

Do we want to start selling icecream again? We should. We need kids/adults to run it. We can do this in the summer. That sounds like a good idea.

**Water Quality and Weed Management** – S. Mercer

None.

**Fish Habitat and Restocking**– S. Mercer

We are on schedule for May 13 at 9am to receive the new fish and distribute them in the lake. We would like to get some volunteers with boats to help distribute them as well as some kids to get involved. The current plan is to stock 800 Channel Catfish, 500 Crappie, 500 Perch, 15000 bait fish. They recommend stocking about 25/acre and our lake is around 40 acres. The ones that we stocked last year are getting caught and we have noticed some decently large fish, they seem to be thriving. This new collection should get the lake to where we want it to be, next year we could just go back to bait fish. The bait fish eat mosquitoes and their larva and we have noticed a decrease in mosquitoes from the stocking last year.

Larry Kovar has some pellets that should help get rid of muck. The property on Lenape Ave seems to have some muck on front of it and under the dock, we are going to try those pellets and measure their effectiveness at the Lenape Ave property.

Larry will be coming in the upcoming week to check the lake and do some initial tests.

The county will be coming to inspect and test the lake the week before Memorial Day.

**Security and Bylaws** – B. Kithcart

None.

**Lifeguards** – B. Kithcart

None.

**Social**– E. Karr

Beth Wyczynski will be running the lake Easter Egg hunt for the kids. Her and Frank will do the eggs and prizes and run it.

The Friday nights on the patio are generally a very welcome and enjoyed event, but due to this year's budget being in the red and eating into our reserve, we will start charging people \$5 at the door to help cover the cost of the singer. Otherwise we might not be able to have them, and the liver performer is a very welcome addition. We think we can still get people to come down and pay \$5 to enjoy a night of music. Dave Kerr and Steve Minnick will be running and organizing the Friday night on the patio events. We will start booking people.

**Dam** – S. Hagaman

Litigation is progressing.

The EAP was done but after reviewing the state requested the inundation map to be included in the EAP. We will have to contact Civil Dynamics to get that map.

**Technology** – S. Minnick

Matt Dunbar has a friend who does network access point installations and we will use his expertise to help pick (and possibly install) and access point down at the lake that has greater range.

**COLA** – K. Roberts

None.

**New Business** –

None.

*A motion to adjourn was made at 8:36 pm*

(1) M. Dunbar (2) S. Haganan - All in favor (Yes) - Opposed (None)

*Minutes Submitted by S. Minnick on May 5th, 2017*