

Lake Lenape Association Minutes for March 21th 2017

LLA Board Members in Attendance (8)

S. Mercer, M. Dunbar, S. Hagaman, A. Anderson, E. Karr, D. Kerr, B. Kithcart, J. Liccardi, B. Walsky

Meeting was called to order at 7:06pm. 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, Jim Baderka, Ray Wexler, Rich Hamler, Joe Kimble, Ken Roberts, Delores Blackburn

For the Good of the Order

Ken Roberts and Delores Blackburn did some research on the history of the lake association property. It was Valentine's Day 1977 when the Lavine's gave the lake and some surrounding properties to the lake association. We received a copy of the original map for information purposes. The surrounding lake access properties are not listed in the tax map and don't have lots or block numbers associated to them. Because they are taxed as part of the lake property, but those properties aren't given separate lot numbers.

Larry Kovar came to the meeting to talk about the goals for lake maintenance and treatment for the following year. The goal is to try to maintain the lake in an equilibrium and balance to try to keep the lake in the best condition possible. In the best way to monitor the lake is to get out in a boat and survey the lake. He plans on monitoring the shore line as well as use ultrasound to monitor fish population. He uses tools to analyze the water clarity and the amount of material floating in the water (pollen/particulates). We do have a foreign invasive plant species in the lake, curly leaf pondweed. It's from Asia and most likely transferred from lake to lake in the area by animals who have eaten the seeds and dropped them in new lakes. We are using some specific herbicides to help manage this invasive species. He will be monitoring the temperature at multiple depths and O2 levels dissolved in the lake for the fish population. A lot of local residents have asked about the cattails. These are a native species, but they are spreading through the root system. If we had a good winter with thick ice, we could cut the stalks off and get them off the lake while the lake is frozen over, removing them produces a lot of debris when there is no ice. Larry recommended that we only remove them out of recreation areas, they are good bio-filters and stabilize the soil and good for the animal species in the lake.

Joey Kimble requested for the lake to do a fundraiser to help Adam Anderson's son. We haven't come up with the specifics but we believe this is a good cause and would like to do something for Drew Anderson.

Minutes – The secretary respectfully submits February minutes for approval.

Motion was made to accept the minutes for February with the exception that Steve was to remove the details of Annie Keegan's letter to the board from the minutes:

(1) M. Dunbar (2) B. Walsky - All in favor: (Yes) - Opposed: (None)

Minutes for February shall be updated and posted online.

President's Report – S. Mercer

None.

Treasurer's Report – S. Hagaman

None.

Secretary Report – S. Minnick

We have received a W-9 form that needs to be filled out, given to Scott.

Lakeland bank needs updated signatures for the officers for 2017.

Motion was made to accept Shawn Mercer, Matt Dunbar and Scott Hagaman as the official signatories for the Lakeland bank:

(1) B. Kithcart (2) M. Dunbar - All in favor: (Yes) - Opposed: (None)

The three signatories will try to find a time to go together to update the bank signatory list.

The sentinel will be starting up again. The sentinel had stopped due to the lack of people willing to write and create content for it. We have a volunteer in Joanna Keegan to create content for this as well as layout of the sentinel as well as possibly recruiting other young adults in the neighborhood to help create content for this. Steve will oversee and aid in distribution and Annie Keegan will monitor Joanna's progress and help manage content creation. If anyone has any interest in creating content for the sentinel, please contact Steve Minnick (steve.minnick@lakelenapenj.com).

It was voted on in the past, but I would like to reiterate and/or discuss that it's the board's position that we are ok with allowing groups access to the clubhouse (midweek or when non-occupied) for fundraising purposes. These fundraising purposes don't have to be directly for the lake association, but could be for the scholarship committee, roof, something for Drew Anderson, etc. Discussion was that the board is ok with this and would like to extend the use of the clubhouse to these groups and activities for their fundraising efforts.

Committee Reports

Scholarship Committee – P. Widgren

Had our first meeting, we have 5 members of the scholarship committee and created a mission statement. We created a presentation on the goals, and specifics of the committee and that will be posted online on the web site. The scholarship committee will require the help of Lake Lenape to be able to post information on the web site, facebook as well as email blasts and phone chain out to members.

The board would like to thank Peggy Widgren for the professionalism and work the committee has delivered thus far and we are very pleased with the early progress and enthusiasm.

Membership Report – S. Minnick

As of 3/12 we have received 23 membership applications. Please submit your applications as soon as possible.

Clubhouse Rentals – E. Karr

We have 8 rentals already. We have to update the website with the dates.

Boat Storage – E. Karr

Any boats for members that haven't paid are going to be removed to allow members who have paid for spots to get a spot. Since we have put in this rule about boat racks being first come first serve, we have received many more memberships with boat storage on time than in years past.

Buildings and grounds – A. Anderson / M. Dunbar

We talked to the new owner of the property down by the dam on Lenape Ave. We wanted to talk to him about the association access for the dam.

The dock on the association property on Lenape Ave down by the dam has an unauthorized electrical cord running to the residence next door. Currently used for charging the batteries for the 2 pontoon boats docked there. The new owner was planning on removing that.

We went to the association property on Lenape Ave further up where the other boat storage and dock is and looked into cleaning that up. We talked to Andover DPW about the drainage for that property. We have contacted the people who own the boats that are being stored at this property. We will be cleaning up this property and this should allow a couple more boats to be stored there.

2 Smoke detectors have been installed.

We moved a screen door from upstairs to be used for the clubhouse.

The fire extinguishers have been located and checked for pressure and expiration dates.

Exterior outlets, the clubhouse doesn't have any. We would like to have 3 outlets mounted outside for events.

The tree down on Elm, we will have to take down. John Lambert and his son are willing to help and we would need to rent a picker. Thanks to John Lambert for the support and help with this tree.

Inspected the bathrooms and there is some minor repairs that we need to do before the start of the season.

Water will get turned on April 1st.

Roof repair, we received 3 estimates. We have been losing shingles from the roof so we will need to find the money to fix this as soon as possible. When we get a new roof, if we want the 50 year warranty, we will need to remove the chimney and put plywood over the hole. If we keep the chimney the warranty would only be a 30 year warranty. This is due to flashing around the current chimney. If we want to use the fireplace we would want to put in a liner up the chimney and have a more modern chimney exit the roof.

Insurance – S. Hagaman

Policies are renewed no changes.

Fundraising – D. Kerr

We should do a “cornhole” tournament, we could take a fee to join the tournament and have an award at the end.

We are considering doing a chicken dinner like the fire department runs. Something that sells tickets for a dinner and could be a fundraiser.

Eric Karr talked to the Sussex Miners and they have changed their ticket sales a bit but we should be able to try to sell tickets to a game or two and should allow us to raise some money. The fund this would go to hasn't been decided yet.

We have a collection of T-shirts and Sweatshirts for Lake Lenape. If we have those still we should offer them to the membership for sale.

Water Quality and Weed Management – S. Mercer

Larry was here and he spoke a lot.

Fish Habitat and Restocking– S. Mercer

They called us last week and asked for a time and date for when we want to do fish stocking this year. We will need boats and volunteers to go out into the lake and help disperse the fish. We would like to see more kids involved. Last year there were a few but we would like to get some more kids involved to get them excited about the lake ecosystem and fishing.

Security and Bylaws – B. Kithcart

Posted signs? Did anyone get posted signs? Currently we can't file a trespassing complaint, because the lake property is not properly posted. We need to post signage if we wish to limit non-member's access to the properties. Brian will work on getting signs for posting the property. The statute states that signs need to be posted such that any intruder is likely to see. The first time they have to be given a verbal warning.

I want to start keeping a log of people who have been given verbal warning to exit the property.

Lifeguards – B. Kithcart

We sent out the contracts to everyone. The water testing from the lifeguard company has been removed. If we are ok with this, we will need to sign this contract and send first payment for May 1st.

Social– E. Karr

The Christmas party had to be moved from December 2nd to Friday December 1st. The 2nd was already booked.

Easter Party will be Saturday April 15th 2pm-4pm.

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

None.

COLA – B. Walsky

Barry is now on their email list. There are alternate means of funding for the hydro raking. There are possible grants and I will investigate.

New Business –

None.

A motion to adjourn was made at 9:54 pm

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

Minutes Submitted by S. Minnick on April 10th, 2017