

**LAKEVILLE LAKE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION  
REGULAR MEETING – February 27, 2018**

President Wayne Hodges called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Roll was called and Board member attendance was as follows:

Officers

Wayne Hodges, President (2016) - Present  
Tom Maliszewski Vice President (2017) - Excused  
Jeff Banaszynski, Secretary (2017) - Present  
Paul Hosner, Treasurer - (2016) - Present

Directors

Chuck Sargent (2016) - Excused  
Michael Cattane, (2016) - Present  
Paul Woodring (2017) - Present  
Marc Van Hoogstraat (2017) - Present  
Michael Bartlett - (2017) - Present

Approval of Agenda

- Paul Woodring moved to approve the agenda as presented and Michael Bartlett seconded the motion. The agenda was approved.

Announcements

- None

Approval of Minutes

- Minutes for the December 19, 2017 Special Meeting were presented for approval. Michael Bartlett moved to approve the minutes as presented and Paul Hosner seconded the motion. The December 19, 2017 minutes were approved.

Treasurers Report

- Paul Hosner presented the Treasurer's Report indicating no activity since the last report and balances of \$9580.07 and \$1699.42 for the accounts.

MDEQ Response to Chemical Treatments

- Wayne Hodges stated that the report on chemical treatment violations issued in June 2017 was still under review by MDEQ management.

LRA Update

- Wayne Hodges relayed that an operating plan and budget proposal for the 2018 LRA season had been approved by the LRA Trustees and by the LRA Voting Members. The plan includes re-building both harvesters at an estimated cost of \$36,160 each. The budget also includes money to purchase a second off-load conveyor to be used only if an off-load site is identified in the North bay. The total capital budget proposed for equipment repair and purchase is \$102,820 to be taken from existing Lake Improvement Board reserves. Wayne Hodges reported that a Weed Harvesting Committee had been formed to research future harvesting options and needs for the lake. Wayne recognized and thanked the 11 committee members for their efforts noting that Ernie Schaefer lead the cost estimate collection for various options which took a lot of time. Wayne Hodges indicated that we have not done a good job on equipment maintenance in recent years based on our attempts to run the program with volunteer management and that our management process needed to be improved going forward. Wayne suggested the need for a supervisor that took ownership of the maintenance process with the Trustees providing assistance and oversight. Wayne also recommended hiring a professional firm to do the necessary repairs and do an annual inspection and update. Wayne proposed testing defined areas of the lake with and without harvesting and chemical applications to help provide insight into what works and guide future plans. This decision would be made after the spring weed assessment that is the basis for the actual Chemical Treatment plan. The budgeted operating expense for this year was described as \$64,062.

2018 Invasive Species Management

- Wayne Hodges reported that he expected a bumper crop of weeds this spring due to a mild winter and a likely early growing season. The expense budget for chemical treatments is estimated to be \$30,390.

Jeff Banaszynski stated that the budget proposals would be presented to the Lake Improvement Board for approval at a public hearing to be held by them.

### **2018 Oakland County Marine Patrol Direction for 2018**

- Wayne Hodges presented a proposal to fund Marine patrols for four days a week using Public Education, Information Dissemination, Recreation, Safety, Environmental, Administration and Contingency Special Assessment reserve funds at an estimated cost of \$12,000. Paul Hosner asked if those funds could be used for the sheriff and stated that we shouldn't have to pay for coverage in addition to the significant police millage in place.

2017 Marine Patrol coverage of six hours per weekend was paid for by LLPOA voluntary donations, mainly coming from donations from the marinas. Wayne considered the 2017 coverage to be ineffective and noted that LLPOA voluntary donations continued to sink to an all time low. Wayne Hodges explained that marine patrols for Lakeville Lake were started and funded when a resident's relative was the County Commissioner. Marc VanHoogstraat asked if there was an obligation by the township to provide service and asked if other lakes continued to get marine patrol funding from the DNR.

Paul Hosner stated that if we start paying for the Marine Sheriff with donated funds the proposed \$12,000 would work out to \$60 per property owner. Jay Bird indicated that the State Police provided service to a lake up North and asked if patrol times could be staggered. Wayne indicated that he had asked for varied patrol times but that the sheriff needed a commitment of some sort. Marc VanHoogstraat stated that the Addison Township Sergeant had indicated that he was very involved with the lake and suggested we invite him to a meeting to better understand our concerns. A resident stated that the sheriff is frequently out in the rain when no one is using the lake. Michael Cattane suggested scheduling patrols later into the evenings. Wayne Hodges indicated the Sheriff boat's storage location was too visible from the public access launch. Dawn Goulding suggested there was little activity on Thursdays and that we could drop coverage by a day and start the coverage at 2:00 p.m. Jeff Banaszynski stated that in past years varied patrol times and days were just as effective as continuous coverage. Wayne Hodges reported that any single item spending over \$2500 needed to be approved by the membership and suggested the need for a Special Meeting.

Greg Smith stated that a number of the budget proposals are described as coming from the reserve accounts but that they are not all one-time expenses. He was told that would be covered later.

Wayne Hodges reported that the Special Assessment is a five year assessment due for renewal in 2019. The lake management assessment currently has \$295,000 in reserve including the latest collection and after spending the described amounts would be left with \$81,535 to carry into 2019. Wayne indicated that continued spending at that level would result in the need to increase the assessment by approximately \$160 per property owner. Wayne stated that we are looking at assessment rolls and need to update them to correct some errors. Wayne reported that the township ordinance allows two boats per property owner and that the marinas are currently permitted for 68 boats. Wayne described alternatives in response to members indicating that the marinas were not paying their fair share of the SAD costs. For example, if the marinas were assessed in proportion to the property owners on a per boat basis another \$8000 could be collected. The SAD would need to be adjusted and the renewal in 2019 would be the time to make any adjustment at the risk that such action would likely eliminate the marina's voluntary contribution to future Marine Patrols.

Dawn Anderson asked if we could have volunteers run the weed harvesters. Jeff Banaszynski indicated he would be concerned about liabilities, training and scheduling.

### **Ordinance Compliance**

- Wayne Hodges provided a status on ordinance violations as follows;

\* The bait shop in the South bay has been sent two violation notices for mooring boats without a marina license and will receive a visit from the enforcement officer in the spring.

\* A property on Gravel Ridge was denied a variance for a boulder wall within the natural protection strip and directed to restore the area to its native condition.

\* Tree clearing in the bay by the public access was stopped.

\* A variance request for terraced ledgestone landscaping in the natural protection strip at 330 Cantley was denied.

Marc VanHoogstraat moved to adjourn the meeting and Michael Bartlett seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

The next regular meeting is scheduled 7:30p.m. April 24, 2018 at the Township complex.