

Lake of the Pines ASSOCIATION INC.

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51st ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
LAKE OF THE PINES ASSOCIATION INC.
May 29, 2021

President Dave Pohoda called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m. There were 71 Association members present. Dave asked everyone to rise and face the flag and say the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

<u>2018-2021</u>	<u>2019-2022</u>	<u>2020-2023</u>
Vicki Brauner	Steve Berry	Bob Eckardt
Rick McCombe	Larry Gibson	Bill Timmer
Dave Pohoda	Jennifer Jerore	Pete Wedesky
Geri Shaw	Don Mann	

Roll Call was taken and all Board of Directors were present, except Jennifer Jerore who was unexcused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The minutes of the May 25, 2019 Annual Meeting and the minutes of the Reorganization Meeting were approved at the June 8, 2019 Board of Directors Meeting. Due to the pandemic there was no 2020 Annual Membership Meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

OFFICERS REPORTS:

PRESIDENT: Dave Pohoda report on page 7.

VICE PRESIDENT: Steve Berry report on page 8.

1.) Steve updated the members on Lake of the Pines insurance situation. In the last few weeks we were rejected by 6 insurance companies. We do have two quotes one is from Freemont Insurance in Clare. The coverage from Freemont is the same as we have now except it has a \$1,000 deductible instead of \$500. The liability is better and the cost per year is less than \$100 more than we are currently paying.

Motion by Steve Berry, seconded by Bob Eckardt, to proceed going with Freemont Insurance active July 10, 2021. Vote taken. **MOTION PASSED.**

2.) Steve reported we are looking into turning the dam over to the county not our lake. There will be a survey crew surveying the perimeter of the dam, that will have to be split

from the current lot that the dam is on. That is the only thing that the county will have. The county is already responsible for maintaining and operating the dam.

SECRETARY: Vicki Brauner report on page 9.

TREASURER: Geri Shaw report on page 7.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

EXECUTIVE: Dave Pohoda reported on the Special Assessment District. The Board has been active in forming a Special Assessment District but it is more a citizens group. Lake of the Pines does not have the money to treat the lake any more. Many lake associations are going to special assessment districts. The money is governed by the state of Michigan. There will be an independent Lake Board consisting of one or two Board of Directors, and three association members that will control the money. The Lake Board will report to the Freeman Township. Every penny that comes in will have to be accounted for and only used for the lake and the cost to the Township.

ARCHITECTURAL: Pete Wedesky report on page 9.

ECOLOGY: Rick McCombe report on page 23.

1.) Rick reported PLM will be out Thursday to treat the lake for algae and native weeds.

FUTURE PLANNING:

MAINTENANCE: Larry Gibson report on page 24.

- 1.) Larry reported both tractors are down. The tractors are over 25 years old. One of the tractors can be repaired the other tractor can not and needs to be replaced. Larry did get a couple of prices for new commercial tractor/mower. The cost will be around \$12,000. If we don't get a new tractor and the other one repaired, the grounds will either not get mowed or ask for volunteers to help mow with their own mowers.
- 2.) Larry reported the docks on Larch Trail and Evergreen Trail will be pulled out and they will not be going back in this year. These docks are not safe to use. The boat launches will stay open.

NOMINATING/BALLOTING: Don Mann report on page 24.

Don Mann reported the results of the voting.

1.) The change to the By-Laws from "Three (3) Members shall be elected at each Annual Meeting of the Association" to "One Member shall be elected at each Annual Meeting of the Association for a three year term" PASSED.

YES~ 318 No~28. 230 votes were needed to pass.

1.) Board of Directors:

Rick McCombe- 251 votes

Amy Goethe-164 votes

Cheryl Dziurkowski~ 154 votes

Joel Wirtz~ 105 votes

Kayla Mickler~ 73 votes.

Cindy LaFave- 201 votes

David Helka- 157 votes

Dennis Hawley~ 119 votes

Isaah Smith~74 votes

Rick McCombe, Cindy LaFave, Amy Goethe and David Helka were elected to the Board.

2.) Nominating Committee:

Nancy Wilamowski~ 216
Karen Wells-177 votes
Duane Christle~ 56 votes.

Ruth Boerner~ 204 votes
Norma Kagle- 68 votes

Nancy Wilamowski's term will last 3 years 2021~2024, Ruth Boerner's term will last 2 years 2021~2023 and Karen Wells term will last 1 year 2021~2022.

- 3.) Motion by Don Mann, seconded by Geri Shaw, to destroy the 2020 ballots.
MOTION PASSED.

PERSONNEL: Bob Eckardt report on page 24.

- 1.) Bob reported we are still looking for a part time maintenance person. If you are interested there are applications in the Office.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Bill Timmer report on page 25.

SPECIAL PROJECTS: Jennifer Jerore ABSENT~ report on page 24.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: – None.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1.) Steve Berry reported due to Tim Beckett's resignation there is still a position on the Board to fill. The newly appointed Board will appoint that replacement. Anyone interested in filling that position let the Office or one of the Board members know. Steve asked if any of the candidates who ran for the Board but did not win and would like to fill that position were present to please stand up, but no one stood up.
- 2.) Motion by Don Mann, seconded by Bob Eckardt, to change the time of the June 12, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting to 2:00 p.m. due to voting to transfer the ownership of the Dam and easement over to Clare County will be from 9:00 am to 11:00 am on that same day. Vote taken. **MOTION PASSED.**

WOMEN'S CLUB: – Geri Shaw report on page 25.

MEN'S CLUB: – Bob Eckardt report is on page 25.

- 1.) Bob reported there will be Beer and Brats on June 19th. There will be music but not karaoke. There will be horseshoe games too.

VOLUNTEER SECURITY PATROL: Leo Stevens report on page 25.

- 1.) Leo reported the Sheriff department is watching some places in the Villa. There has been one raid and two warrants were served in the Villa. There has also been traffic stops which resulted in 2 arrested for outstanding warrants.

Bob Eckardt announced that this was the last meeting for Dave, Vicki and Geri. They have put in untold hours of work at Lake of the Pines. Bob thanked them and the members applauded.

ASSOCIATION TIME:

- 1) Richard Ireland, Tamarack Trails Lots 111 & 112. Richard asked for more information on the Lake Board and how will the 5 members be determined.
- 2) Connie Crawford , Woodland Heights, Lots 200-202. Connie asked about the petition going around for Special Assessment District ~do you have to be a registered voter to sign it. Dave Pohoda answered no. Connie also thought people on the lake should pay more than \$9.00 more.
- 3) Shelley McCombe, Pinehurst Estates, Lot78. Shelley wondered why she couldn't have one of her relatives set up a tent or camper in her yard over a holiday weekend for two days. Shelley would like to see an amendment to allow this. She wondered if it was Freeman Township or Lake of the Pines that won't allow it. She was told it was in our Covenants. Dave told her to bring it up to the new Board.
- 4) John Mitten, Birchwood Heights, Lots 572-576. John wondered if there was any word on the paving of Pinehurst and could speed bumps be added. Dave told John it was up to Freeman Township. Don Mann said it was a county road so he didn't think speed bumps could be added. Don suggested John go to the Township Meeting which is held the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm.
- 5) Richard Ireland, Tamarack Trails, Lots 111 & 112. Richard reported there are a lot of branches, limbs and trees down at the boat launches especially the one on Larch Trail. Richard wondered who was responsible for the upkeep on the launches. Larry Gibson answered that maintenance is and there is a work order for the boat launches but things have been very busy in the last couple of weeks.


Motion by Bob Eckardt, seconded by Larry Gibson, to adjourn the meeting.
MOTION PASSED

Meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

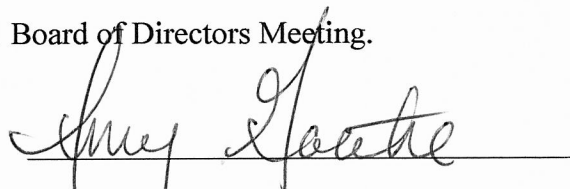
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Vicki L. Brauner, Secretary
LOP Board of Directors

These minutes were approved at the June 12, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting.



Steve Berry, President
Lake of the Pines Board of Directors



Amy Goethe, Secretary
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