

Eight Point Lake Property Owners Corporation
Spring 2023 Membership Meeting
May 27, 2023

Executive Committee: Bill Galambos, Chairman, Karla Hayden, Vice Chair, Janet Clayton, Treasurer, Ralph Stewart Assistant Treasurer. Absent: Deanna Scott-Hicks, Secretary.

Meeting called to order by Bill G. at 9:00 am.

Introductions: The Executive Committee along with the members present all introduced themselves.

Approval of Fall Meeting Minutes: Approval of minutes postponed as the incorrect minutes were included in the email.

Fireworks Update: Jack H. thanked the group for their bottle and can donations for the Fireworks. He also reminded the group to not include trash with their bottle/can donations. Fireworks will begin at 9:00 pm this year. There is a great crew working the barges however the committee is looking for more help.

Township Supervisor: David Byl, Garfield Township Supervisor shared that the township has two new fire trucks. There is a 5-year plan to replace all the fire department equipment using grants from the State of Michigan. Lake Station Avenue will be repaved from US10 all the way to the county line. A bike path will be added from the trail head to the Garfield Township Park. The interior of the Depot is near completion and will be available to rent. Township parks will get cement pads under the picnic tables, some new fencing along with trees at Peterson Park. There has been three major blight clean ups. We are applying for a Spark Grant from the DNR with the intention of upgrading Garfield Township Park. Dave asked that members attend the Township Board Meetings, currently held on the 4th Monday of each month at 6:30 pm at the township hall.

Treasurer's Report: Janet C. presented the Treasurer's Report. Motion made by Lynne C. to approve the Treasurer's Report. Seconded by Kathy. H. Motion passed.

Membership Report: Ralph S. presented statistics related to our membership. Currently have 347 members, which is down some from last year, possibly due to the post office being closed for an extended period. He also shared statistics related to the various funds members are donating to along with the top five check totals.

Lake Improvement Board Report: Ralph discussed the 2023 lake treatment report. Treatment day is scheduled for June 13 with an alternate date of June 14. The county has hired a new Drain Commissioner, Bill Faber. Bill was hired to fulfill the remainder of Carl Parks' term as Carl passed away in March. Once the annual water quality study is received later in the summer, it will be emailed to the membership and posted on the website.

Marine Safety Watch Report: Len P. shared that donations to Marine Safety fund total \$1,180 which leaves a balance in the fund of \$5,919. The Sheriff's office now has two boats. In 2022, we were billed for 79 hours for a total of \$1,400. There are new Marine Safety signs available. Len is recruiting for a replacement as he will be moving to Florida permanently in the Fall.

Boater Safety Class: Len P. would like everyone to know that Boater Safety classes are now held online only. There is a cost for the class.

Fish Stocking Information: Mike O. shared that in 2022, there were 2000 walleye and 2200 croppie stocked into our lake. The DNR will be stocking the lake in 2023. The fishing tournament begins today and ends on Labor Day. Please have your fish weighed at the Boat Doctor.

Membership Directory: Be sure to pick up your lake directory today. If you take someone else's directory, please sign for it.

July 4th Activities, 5K, Entertainment: Jenny and Ashley are coordinating the 5K. Activities for 2023 include the 5K, flag raising immediately following the 5K, the golf cart parade. We received a grant from Michigan Dairy Association for healthy refreshments for the participants. The Boat Doctor donated a cooler for the refreshments. Jeanie M. also shared that there are free fishing rods for kids. July 29, 2023 is the date for our concert. Stone Street Revival will play from 6:00 – 8:30 pm. There will be food trucks from 5:00-9:00 pm. The Entertainment Committee hopes to have more than one concert in 2024. A movie night for kids will be held on August 12 with a rain date of August 19, 2023. Kids games to start at 6:30 pm with the movie beginning at 9:18 pm. A large fire ring was donated to the Association for the garage property.

Clubhouse Report: Ron R. shared that with the exception of July 15 and August 5, the clubhouse is booked every week from June 24 on. June 3, 10, & 17 are open. Ron thanked everyone for their donations to the clubhouse renovation fund. Renovations will begin in the fall with the restrooms being a priority. Depending on funds, the large room needs freshened up and it would be nice to have a pass thru to the kitchen.

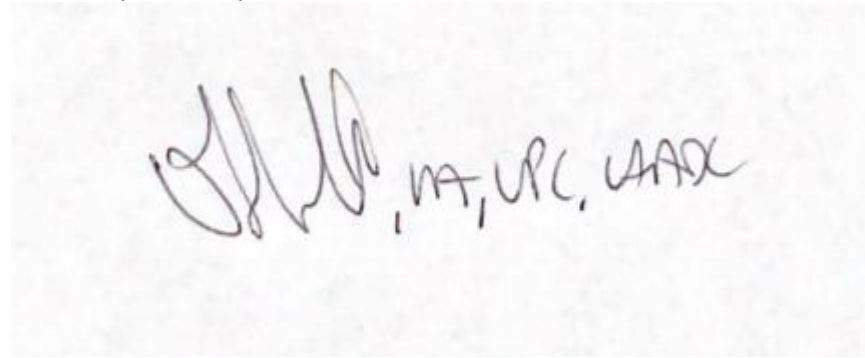
Internet for Clubhouse: Spectrum charges \$79 for installation, \$72 per month for internet (\$79 for internet and cable), and \$22 for a winter maintenance charge. Motion made by Denise H. to have internet installed at the clubhouse. Seconded by Len P. Motion passed. Mike C. volunteered to call for pricing and Barb D. volunteered to make recommendations and advise.

New Business from Members: Gwenn T. asked if the Transfer Station could be open more than two days per week. Janet C. answered for the Township stating that there is not funds to have it open additional days. If you should have expenses for Eight Point Lake Property Owners Corporation, please contact Janet C. for reimbursement. Expense sheets are available online. Dee H. updated the group on the Butterfly Garden. We have volunteers to move rocks, rototill, and for planting. Requests for help and pictures will be posted.

There being no further business to discuss, motion made by Janet T. to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Patty K. Meeting adjourned at 10:50 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Dee Hicks

Edited & proofed by Deanna Scott



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