

Eight Point Lake Property Owners' Corporation
Fall Membership Meeting
August 31, 2024 9:00 AM
Clubhouse 11020 Rock Rd

Executive Committee: Karla Hayden/ Chair, Kelly Rau/Vice Chair, Cindy Tank/Treasurer, Ralph Stewart/Assistant Treasurer, Deanna Scott/Secretary

Board Members present: Lisa Eurick, Janet Terrell, Roy Musgrove, Kim Monahan, Denise Cotter, Dee Hicks, Holly Paul, Todd Walters, Dick Pennoni, Mike Geary, Dave Gillison, Bill Galambos, Lisa Eurick

Call to order Karla H at 9:02am

Pledge of Allegiance, All

Share a moment of silence for the people we have lost - Marilyn Taylor, Jan Baret, Kelly Otto, Richard Valencia, Frances Eileen Kozlowski, Cheryl Bay, Ed Tank, Janet Wilson, Bonnie Rennaker, Tim Rau, Jonny Mack White. Please keep Dave & Pam Bowers in your prayers lost house to a fire last week.

Approval of May 25, 2024 Minutes - Deanna Scott, motion to accept with typos revisions made by Dick P, seconded by Lisa E. All ayes, motion carried.

Bylaws and Shore representatives, Karla- Many hours by the Bylaws committee were invested to revise the Corporation Bylaws, last revised in 2009. Focus has been to update for now & to serve us in the future. The board has reviewed & approved, the Membership vote is today.

Membership Dues Presentation, Karla – We increased the dues in 2023 to \$30, with costs & inflation we will need more to stay out of the red. On paper it looks like we have money in the bank, yet we have to keep the money earmarked for the specific fund that they are donated to. The specific funds do not go to property taxes, utilities, etc. The remaining balance is roughly \$3000 and our projected expenses for the rest of the year are roughly \$6000. There were suggestions to increase to \$50, Karla provided explanation for why board rested on \$45 as it gives us some reserve but not extra. Discussion whether to increase now or later. A motion was made to increase dues to \$50 and change ballot, made by Joyce Capman second by Janet T. All ayes, motion carried.

Voting procedures Rebeca Sabin – Explained ballot, those running were named, nominations from the floor were asked for all shores. Kim Monahan nominated from floor for West Beach. All nominations were given opportunity to speak to membership. Ballot collection.

Dave Byl, Garfield Township Supervisor, Running for re-election, Fire Department, past couple weeks saw a T bone, spent \$23,000 on a machine this year & unfortunately had to use it. House fires this year were many, we have a dedicated fire department, blessed to have them. Lowered taxes last year, aging fleet of fire trucks, have been replacing over the past 12 years. There is another person running as an independent. I ran because downtown looked like crap, thought I needed to change that. I beat on doors & asked for votes. Please vote.

North shore repaving question was asked – Dave said he is working with road commission, have list of all land owners, cost is \$332,000 about \$10,000 per lot owner, pay \$100 extra in taxes per year, road commission will match \$40,000 per year. Current thought is to break up project into 3-4 years, to get \$40,000 match each year. Might have to do a millage for whole county, roads continue to be a problem in this Township and Township has to participate in the funding. Have not seen support or comment from 8 pt lakers at the meetings for repaving North Shore. Brought up that when South Shore was paved the homeowners could pay extra for driveways.

Member asked for update on house with blight on Rock Road, blight officer quit, working on 70 house now, have abatement order on Rock but it is tied up in court. Call Jim Paetschow, Jim's Body Shop, to complain, he owns property now. Grants obtained over the years, \$5000 security system, \$25,000 cleaned up tires, depot, \$25,000 fire truck, \$75,000 air packs. Working on more. Friends of Garfield TWP has donated to put air conditioning in depot. \$50 to rent depot & pavilion for a day. *[correction: per lease agreement with DNR, Twp may not rent the pavilion or book it to anyone - remains open to public at all times at no charge. J Stewart]*

Safety issue on corner by boat launch – dip in the road that golf carts & bikers avoid which causes them to be in the middle of the road, asked Dave to address.

Finance/Treasurer's Report, Cindy Tank – sent via email, thanked everyone for donation to specific funds. Asked for questions. Thanks for moving to \$50 for dues vote. MI Riparian membership question, we belong to Michigan Lakes & Streams, one is membership for the corporation other is for the subscription for magazine for all board members to keep them informed. Motion to approve reports as written by Lisa E., seconded Kim M, All ayes, motion carried.

Lake Improvement, Ralph Stewart – emails sent, treated lake June 13 annual treatment, expenses include treatment permit, takes month or 2 to get from state, treatment maps taken by water samples, expense \$30,000 for 2024. Ralph reported that one member reported they had slit & muck, had it investigated independently, this is not part of weed treatment program, not legally authorized to do, invasive species only. Treatment available to individual property owners to purchase on their own. Karlyn, person with silt & muck, seeing a difference in last 3 years, seeing black slit. Company came over to investigate. They purchased pellets from company, experimented, no change, would not recommend to purchase. Karlyn reported that MSU extension is working with them, testing our lake. Samples from 300 points on lake, decaying matter that could be the result, uncertain at this time. Water level is low, worse now, might be connected. Ralph – in the 50's neighbour would drag an old bedspring to move it, so it has been here a long time. Comes & goes, seems worse now, more black. Lake level question was posed – how is it now to 10 yrs ago. Ralph's research – association has managed beaver damn on North Shore, managed DNR access site were building damns there, trapped beavers to remove them, opened up water flow pathways off Twin Lakes road area, culverts under Garfield, South of Franklin Street, Brian Wood found backup of water on Garfield & asked owners to replace culverts to improve water flow, association paid for these and worked with County to increase flow. Bottom line, we are not getting rain or snow like we used to, waiting for weather patterns to change. Again, request to not put leaves into lake, creates silt. If fertilizer, go to Dairy Doo & get Lake safe kind so we don't feed the weeds.

Question of tanker taking water out of the lake – legally 10,000 a day can be taken out of lake, not publicized by the State, nor should we. Suggested the need to work on state level to get the law changed.

Suggestion made to write Representatives about House Bill HB5532 of 2024 regarding wake boats.

Membership update, Ralph – emailed reports. Good year overall, ask for questions, none.

Jobs to bid out – 2 jobs, Lake Directory Chair, lawn services. Please get with Chairperson/Karla if you want to bid on either position, 1099 issued, by Sept 15th. We use the income from directory revenue for annual expenses.

Committee sign up clipboards, Karla – inside the building.

Fireworks update Jack Hutfilz- nice day, show should start by 9pm, if cloudy might move to 8:30pm. Setting up at 11am. Retiring next year will need a volunteer to take over crew, \$2,500-\$3,000 a month in can donations, big job.

Fish Stocking for 2024, Mike Otto – fish stocking this year is on us, DNR will be next year.

Club House report, Ron Rau – Collecting money for the last 2 years, have enough for bathrooms, starting in 2 weeks, handicap accessible. Recruiting volunteers, we will be starting with those who have already volunteered if need more will reach out via FB. Clubhouse can be used but not bathrooms for a month.

Awards / recognition, Dick Pennoni – Recognizing Bill for 6 yrs of service as Chairperson. Lifetime membership award & name on plaque in the clubhouse.

Member questions/concerns, Jane Seibt, I would like to continue do the directory, it is a book for all seasons. If you use a service please let them know that you saw the ad in the directory so they know their advertising money is going to good use. If you find a contractor who does good work please let me know as I approach them for advertising. Member said that he received extra fliers in his envelope – no one else experienced it. One member received open envelope with only the proxy in it. Janet suggested to file complaint with USPS. Discussion of how it might have happened & assurances of mailing committee of process of accurate mailing.

Elections Results Rebecca – East Shore: Jodi Totte, North Shore: Denise Cotter & Holly Paul, Ravena Shores: Mike Coley & Ron Rau, South Shore: Janet Terrell, West Beach: Kim Monahan

Proposal 1, adopt newly written Bylaws - approved

Proposal 2, increase annual dues to \$50 - approved

Meeting adjourned at 10:30am

Written & submitted by Deanna Scott

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