

Lake Fenton Property Owners Association
November 14, 2023 @7:00 pm

Call to Order and Welcome: Jim Root welcomed everyone to the November meeting.

Jim Root asked for a motion to approve the agenda. The agenda was approved by Mark Lemon and supported.

Roll Call: Jim Root, Dick Brown, George Dyball, Rick Klemett, Mark Lemon, Dan Crannie, Tom Lazar, Susan Slone, Kurt Brown, Patrick O'Sullivan, Pat O'Keefe, Phyllis Forster.

Meeting Guests: Jon Jordan and Alan Fee.

Minutes: Jim Root asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the October 10, 2023, meeting as submitted. The motion was approved to by Pat O'Keefe and supported.

Treasure Report: Dick Brown reported that as of the end of October, there is \$5,256.18 in the checking account. Pat O'Keefe made a motion to accept the treasurer's report supported by Dan Crannie.

Membership Report: Dick Brown reported that there were no additional members added since the June meeting. There are currently 376 members. 103 members in District 1; 87 in District 2; 91 in District 3 and 95 in District 4.

Lake Levels: Jim Root checked the Swanee Beach and Crane Road weir today. They were down 1.5 inches from last month, which is 873.45 ft above sea level. Jim spoke with Tom Jones; they believe that there are beavers in both weirs that they will be removing.

Short Term Rentals (STR): Jim Root, George Dyball and Mark Lemon have been attending the Planning Commission meetings and continue to express the board's concern about having STR businesses in residential areas on the lake.

Jim reported that he understands that the Planning Commission and the Township Board are working together to determine if Short Term Rentals (a residence that will be rented for less than 30 days) will be allowed with regulations.

Committee Reports

Wildlife Committee: Nest Destruction Program: We are in the fifth year of a five-year resolution for the geese and swan programs. Jim Root has contacted Fenton Township, the City of Fenton and DNR about renewing the contract and continuing the program next year.

E coli Testing: Dan Daniels will be resuming this testing again next year.

Display Case: Susan Slone and Dan Crannie presented the board with an updated Lake Fenton map and rules that will appear in the display case, at the public access at the October meeting. Susan is looking for grant money to help fund this project.

The board discussed the hierarchy of Right- of-Way Rules on the lake. Unpowered boats (Sailboats, kayaks) always have the right of way over powered boats (including jet skis).

Susan Slone and Dan Crannie have developed a new LFPOA logo and are working with Mark Lemon to implement the new logo.

Fireworks Committee: Jim Root is in contact with Duane Mocherman. Richard Roth made some changes to the contract and Duane is currently reviewing the contract. The most notable change was adding a statement confirming that Duane will be at the fireworks shows.

Jim asked Kurt Brown if a motion could be made so that the fireworks committee could approve the new contract. Kurt made a motion to approve, and Dick Brown supported this motion. Rick Klemett suggested that the committee also be given the opportunity to approve the contracted price of the show up to the amount approved by the board. The amended motion was approved by Kurt Brown and supported by Dick Brown. The motion was carried.

Laura Quillen will coordinate with the fire department, DNR and the marine patrol services for the night of the fireworks.

Jim Root also suggested that the board establish a contract with Chris Redloske to rent his barge for \$500.00. Kurt Brown agreed to design a contract. Kurt Brown made a motion to obtain board approval to design a contract which includes a payment of up to \$500.00 to Chris Redloske. Mark Lemon approved the motion and Dick Brown second the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by the board.

Entertainment Committee: Pat O'Keefe is coordinating the Tuesday, December 12 dinner meeting at the Fenton Hotel.

Authorizations for Payments Due: Dick Brown does not have anything to report.

Correspondence Received: Wake Boats: Mark Lemon shared information and a video (Wake Surfing-A Threat to Our Lakes) about impact of Wake Boats on a lake. Mark would like to send the information out to the LFPOA member email list and make

residents aware of the issues and potential challenges. Mark would like to put this topic on the agenda and talk about this again at our January 2024 meeting.

Lime Lake. Patrick O’Sullivan shared information on an article that appeared in the fall Michigan Riparian magazine on the Property Owners Association for Lime Lake (Limelake.org). Pat encouraged the board to read the article for innovative ideas on things the board is doing to protect their lake.

Pat also let the board know that the MSU “Introduction to Lakes” online is being offered again in January.

Keyholing and Riparian Law: Jim Root contacted Jason at the City of Fenton. Susan Slone and Jim Root will continue to investigate the available options, so this is resolved and does not become a bigger issue.

Roundtable and Adjourn: Mark Lemon and Dan Crannie are working on a new LFPOA logo to replace the existing logo from 1965. They also shared their ideas for a new membership tri-fold brochure.

Future Meeting: Our next meeting will be on January 9, 2024.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:28 pm

Respectively submitted,
Phyllis Forster, Recording Secretary