

Lake Fenton Property Owners Association
March 12, 2024 @7:00 pm

Call to Order and Welcome: Jim Root called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the March meeting.

Jim Root asked for a motion to approve the agenda with the "Introduction to Lakes Online" removed. Mark Lemon asked for the "Wake Boats" to be added to the agenda. Jim said he will address the Wake Boats during the Correspondence session. Jim for an approval of the amended agenda. The amended agenda was approved.

Roll Call: Jim Root, Dick Brown, George Dyball, Mark Lemon, Dan Crannie, Dick Cramer, Kurt Brown, Patrick O'Sullivan, Pat O'Keefe, Phyllis Forster.

Meeting Guests: Jon Jordan, Matt Pohlman and Cam Proos.

Minutes: Jim Root asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the February 13, 2024 meeting as submitted. Kurt Brown made a motion to approve the minutes and Dick Cramer supported the motion. The minutes were approved.

Treasure Report: Dick Brown reported that as March 13, 2024 there is \$3,483.70 in the checking account. Jim Root asked for a motion to approve the Treasure report. The Treasurer report was approved.

Membership Report: Dick Brown reported that as of March 1st there are 370 members. Dick is still sending out the new membership mailing to non-members and members who have expired memberships.

Committee Reports

Wildlife Committee: Nest Destruction Program: Jim Root reported that the Fenton Township had a second meeting on February 20th and voted 5-4 in favor of renewing the 5-year contract. The program will continue, beginning again this year.

Jim has submitted the resolutions to the Fenton Township and the City of Fenton. He is waiting for the DNR permits. Jim will be contacting Goose Busters to secure a new contract.

The board will track this program's results for the next five years so that we can give the Fenton Township Board and the property owners an accurate summary of the program results when the permit needs to be renewed in 2029.

The board wants to continue to make the Lake Fenton Property Owners aware that this is a control - not elimination - program.

Short Term Rentals: George Dyball and Jim Root have been attending the Fenton Township meetings. The planning commission is having another public hearing on Thursday, March 14 to put together their proposal. The draft proposal is available on the Fenton Township website.

George Dyball feels that in addition to the noise and fireworks ordinances, the new Short Term Rental ordinance needs Zoning Ordinance **Section 4.01 Access to water bodies/Riparian Use** as updated 1/1/2019 to be focused on in the draft. George will include this in his proposal to the Township Planning Commission.

ARTICLE 4 GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 4.01 Access to water bodies/Riparian Use

A riparian lot shall not be used for riparian purposes by more than one functional family and in the case of lots created after the effective date of this amendment; the riparian lot must have a minimum of one hundred (100) feet of frontage on the water. Where a lot is not contiguous to a body of water, it shall not be used in conjunction with a riparian lot to allow the owners or occupiers or the invitees of the non-riparian lot to engage in riparian uses, except as provided in Section 3.21 of this ordinance. For the purposes of this section, a riparian lot which is owned by a partnership, corporation, limited liability company or other legal entity is deemed to be owned solely by the entity and such a riparian lot shall not be used to provide riparian access to any owner of the entity unless all such owners are members of a single functional family. For the purposes of this section, the general common element of a condominium project is deemed to be owned by the condominium association as a whole and the ownership of a riparian lot by the association shall not be used to grant riparian access or rights to any of the individual members of the association or to any of the owners of the related condominium units. The intent of this section is to prevent non-riparian owners or occupiers or their invitees from engaging in riparian uses using riparian lots owned by others or riparian lots owned jointly or in common with others. This section is also intended to prevent the exercise of riparian rights by more than one functional family where a riparian lot is owned, in whole or in part, by a legal entity or in situations where the riparian lot is owned jointly or in common by multiple individuals, unless all such owners are members of a single functional family. This section shall not be construed to prevent riparian use from being engaged in by the members of a single functional family.

Wake Boats: Mark Lemon explained that the Michigan DNR has recommended that wake boats be 500 feet from shore, in greater than 15 feet of water and that all ballast tanks be emptied when leaving the lake. This language was used to draft HB (House Bill) 5532 that is in committee in the Michigan State House. The differences are HB 5532 makes the DNR recommendation a law and increases the depth requirement from 15 feet to 20 feet.

Mark Lemon made a motion that Jim Root send out a letter to our State legislators in support of HB 5532. George Dyball seconded the motion. Passed.

Fireworks Committee: Jim Root has received the permit from the Fenton Township and the DNR. The address for the shooting location on the permit was corrected. Jim would like the names of anyone who needs a copy of the permit.

Mark Lemon would like to begin following the firework draft document of steps that he put together last fall. The fireworks committee will schedule a separate meeting to confirm that we are on track.

The fireworks donor box will begin accepting donations on April 1st.

Roundtable: Discussion of Lights on the Lake: Pat O’Keefe and Cam Proos will be coordinating this event. The dates available for the parade are June 22, June 29, or July 13. We will finalize the date for the parade and house lighting judging at the April 9th meeting.

Future Meeting: Our next meeting will be on April 9, 2024 @7:00 pm.

Adjourn: Meeting Adjourned: 8:07 pm

Respectively submitted,
Phyllis Forster, Recording Secretary