

LAKE SOMERSET PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION
April 18, 2009

MEETING MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Al Hoffmann (President)	Chris Scollard (Treasurer)
Larry McNeal (Secretary)	Rick Meyer (Parks)
Carl Reuter (Security)	Gary Grandy (Building Control)
Larry Wright (Water Quality)	Tony Harsch (Roads)

Board Members Absent:

Others Present:

Meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m. by President Al Hoffmann and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

I. **Board Meeting Minutes (Larry McNeal)**

On a motion by Tony Harsch, seconded by Carl Reuter, the minutes of the March 21, 2009 Board meeting were **approved**.

II. **Treasurer's Report (Chris Scollard)**

Income for March 2009 was \$6,544.00. Expenditures for March 2009 totaled \$7,102.30. Total assets as of March 31, 2009 were \$177,329.16. As of March 31, 2009, 79 lots owned by 54 members were delinquent in payment of dues totaling \$34,904.25. Chris said Board members should review the Reserves Plan which will be updated at the annual budget meeting in June.

On a motion by Tony Harsch, seconded by Gary Grandy, the Treasurer's Report was **approved**.

III. **President's Report (Al Hoffmann)**

Al asked Board members to think about modifying the Association's Restrictive Covenants. He reported on a conversation he had with Consumers Energy regarding tree trimming around the lake. Al reported on an MSU Extension Course he attended in Hillsdale dealing with lakes; welcomed Rick Meyer back to the Board as Parks Chair and noted there will be a parks cleanup after the meeting starting at 1:00 p.m. He said he is expecting a quote soon on repairing the merry-go-round at the main park. He updated the Board on the Meckley rezoning request. And, said winter damage appears minimal with some critter damage at the pole barn which houses the harvester.

IV. **Vice President's Report**

On a motion by Chris Scollard, seconded by Tony Harsch, the Board **approved** accepting Vice President Debra Gossett's letter of resignation from the Board. On a motion by Chris Scollard, seconded by Larry Wright, the Board **approved** the appointment of Jim Mac Ritchie to fill out the remaining

term on the Board of Debra Gossett. On a motion by Larry Wright, seconded by Carl Reuter, the Board **approved** the election of Jim Mac Ritchie to the position of Board Vice President.

V. Committee Reports

Building Control (Gary Grandy)

Gary Grandy said the Building Control Committee approved three permits since the Board's last meeting. One permit was for the construction of a 1275 square foot home with a two-car garage, a deck and a 12x16 foot shed on Lot 255 in the Rolling Meadows Subdivision. Another permit was for a three-foot variance for a garage on Lot 237 in the Rolling Meadows Subdivision. The third permit was to replacing an existing deck. Fees totaling \$350 were collected for the house and the garage. There was no charge for the deck replacement. Fees collected for the year to date total \$700. Gary said he has had no response from the owner of a property where a renter has constructed a shed without getting a permit from the Building Control Committee.

Water Quality (Larry Wright)

Larry said he, Tony and George Rausch attended a dredging presentation at Mirror Lake and that they were not impressed with the company making the presentation. The Association's truck has been serviced and inspection showed that there are problems with the rear seal on the transmission, the ball joints and the heater. On a motion by Tony Harsch, seconded by Rick Meyer, the Board **approved** allocating up to \$1,000 for repairs to the Association truck.

Larry presented the contract from Kieser for dredging activity this year. Larry recommended that the Board approve the dredging Phase II contract with Kieser & Associates with clarification that each individual step outlined in the contract must be approved by the LSPOA Board prior to any expenditure of funds. The recommendation was seconded by Tony Harsch and **approved** by the Board.

Larry also presented a contract from Keiser for aquatic plant management on Lake Somerset. Action on the weed contract was tabled to the May meeting.

Larry said he has two contracts from harvester operators in hand. He said the harvester is scheduled to be launched on Saturday, April 25.

Parks (Rick Meyer)

Rick estimated it will cost about \$1,800 to install a vinyl fence at the East Park. On a motion by Tony Harsch, seconded by Jim Mac Ritchie, the Board **approved** spending up to \$2,000 for fencing for the East Park. On a motion by Larry Wright, seconded by Carl Reuter, the Board **approved** spending up to \$3,000 for seal coating the blacktop at the Main and West Parks. Rick will follow up on water samples for the Health Department. Chris said that the fee for the dumpster in the main park is three dollars a month less this year than last. She said the privy's will cost \$85 a month, the same as last year.

Roads (Tony Harsch)

Tony said he has been talking with Don Figel about the roads around Lake Somerset. He said three projects have been approved that will affect Association residents: resurface 400 feet of Somerset from Blarney to Killeybegs; upgrade Harper Road from Crestridge to U.S. 127; and upgrade Crestridge from Northmoor to Harper.

Security (Carl Reuter)

Carl said for the next two Saturdays and Sundays guards will be at the Main Park from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Beginning May 2, guards will be on duty from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. There is a new lock on the gate to the brush pile. Security guards are worried about people parking on the driveway below the gate at the Main Park during the Pig Roast/Picnic.

Community Council (Sharon Badders)

Sharon said they are ready to put out the flyers for the Garage Sale.

VI. Old Business

Letter is approved for the Goose Roundup permit.

Board Responsibilities – Referred to Vice President Jim Mac Ritchie for a recommendation.

VII. New Business

None.

VIII. Audience Participation

Pete Tochman asked the Board to pass a resolution objecting to the alleged Meckley gravel pit proposal and send an email to the membership outlining the situation.

On a motion by Chris Scollard, seconded by Gary Grandy, the Board **approved** asking Pete to add a Current Events page to the Association Web site.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Larry McNeal, Secretary.