

LAKE SOMERSET PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION
Board of Directors Meeting
January 16, 2010

Board Members Present:

Al Hoffmanner
Larry Wright
Mitch Wetzel

Bert Lawrence
Tony Harsch
Mike Gossett

Board Members Absent:

Jim MacRitchie (Excused)
Gary Grandy (Excused)

Karen McPherson (Excused)

Others Present:

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President Al Hoffmanner.

Minutes - Corrections: (1) Pg. 2 - Water Quality Report, "lake levels" changed to "arsenic". (2) Pg. 3 - Old Business "FRP" changed to "RFP". On a motion by Bert Lawrence, seconded by Tony Harsch, the minutes of the November 2009 Board meeting were **approved as corrected**.

Bert said that the electrical work at the barn is being done. The panel is on the wall but there is no cover yet. Bert said he will donate some circuit breakers.

Treasurer's Report (Bert Lawrence) - presented financial reports for November and December 2009. On a motion by Mitch Wetzel, seconded by Larry Wright, the November 2009 financial report was **accepted**.

Bert said he signed letters removing the liens from 14 lots and doesn't understand why the number of people in arrears did not decline. May see it in the January report.

On a motion by Mitch Wetzel, seconded by Tony Harsch, the December financial report was **accepted**.

On a motion by Mitch Wetzel, seconded by Tony Harsch, the board **approved** the expenditure of \$400 to train Bert on QuickBooks. Pam Mac Andrews will sit in on the training, but not participate.

Bert recommended giving Pam a pay raise after the Quick Books training sessions. He will research other association situations and bring a recommendation to the Board at its

February 2009 meeting. Tony said Pam has an \$8,000 cap on her annual pay. He suggested an hourly increase. Bert said contracts must be approved at the February meeting.

Larry Wright said the Association should have copies of boat owner's registrations.

Committee Reports

Community Council - No report.

Building Control - One renovation approved. Fee was \$125. Project originally encroached on the property line. Problem has been solved.

Water Quality - Larry Wright said he will have a report and a recommendation on dredging for the Board to consider at the February meeting. Tony suggested delaying discussion on arsenic until after water samples are taken. Al said a repair manual is needed for the current harvester engine. Larry said he will check on a manual. Water Quality Committee will meet the 1st week in February.

Parks - Mike Gossett brought up a fence at the brush area. John Dickleman suggested a 6-foot high stockade type fence. Mike said it will block view from both sides. Leave a walking path. Wolmanized material. Larry Wright said a five foot fence would be just as good. Al suggested a snow fence with signs on it. The Parks committee recommends a privacy fence. General agreement on the privacy fence.

Larry Wright said he has the file on dredging. Discussion about where to put dredged material.

Roads - Tony said he will talk with Don Figel about a section on Killeybigs that didn't get done last time around, and complaints about problems where the road meets Pam's driveway, and a dip in the road on Shannon. He'll ask Don to take them to the road Commission.

Security - Mitch Wetzel said the 2010 boat stickers have arrived. Only had to ask a few non-resident ice fishermen to not fish on the lake. Generally good conversations. Suggest putting stickers on resident's ice shanties. Has article for Spring Gazette. Pete said try to get it out around April 1, so start getting articles by February board meeting. Articles can be sent to Larry McNeal and he will forward them to Pete.

President's Report - Al is asking the EPA for procedures for sampling lake water. Need to have copies of transmittals in office files. Will also ask for changes in Township nuisance ordinance.

Old Business

Meeting schedules - Bert said April meeting will be at Noon instead of 10:00 a.m.

Audience Participation

Ken Van Dorin, 10880 Emerald Court, advised the board of changes effective January 1, 2010 in EPA regulations affecting lakes. Impacts installation and removal of sea walls and tires.

Tony suggested changing monthly board meeting to a weekday evening instead of Saturday morning. Could put the idea in the Spring Gazette to get member input. Also suggested having Mark Keiser at a board meeting, possible in March, to meet new board members and report on dredging status.

Bert said that he has not volunteered to paint the pole barn. He said he may be willing to paint the barn for about \$1,200. Need a work party to do repairs to the barn.

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Larry McNeal (For Karen McPherson)