

LAKE SOMERSET PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION
Board of Directors Meeting
March 20, 2010

Board Members Present:

Al Hoffmanner	Bert Lawrence
Jim MacRitchie	Tony Harsch
Mike Gossett	Gary Grandy
Mitch Wetzler	Karen Macpherson
Larry Wright	

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by president Al Hoffmanner, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Minutes were reviewed and a motion to accept was made by Mitch Wetzler seconded by Tony Harsch with the following changes: \$399 plus shipping was placed on Bert Lawrence's credit card for computer training and will require reimbursement not \$200.

Treasurer's Report: Bert Lawrence

The treasurer's reports were distributed, reviewed and approved by a motion made by Larry Wright seconded by Mitch Wetzler. Bert stated that the office printer failed, is not repairable and stated that a new printer will be purchased for \$250. All were in agreement. He also stated that we are not able to print statements for those that are in the rear with our current computer program. The problem will either be corrected or statements will be hand written. A repair bill for \$2,000 was found in the truck. Bert stated that all receipts and paperwork removed from the office needs to be returned for audit purposes. Bert contacted the local insurance agent for the truck. We can save \$200 yr if it is not insured all year long. He also brought up the fact that there is not a current list of drivers. Those on the list must have a clean drivers license.

A new strut has been replaced on the harvester and a door still needs to be repaired. He also stated that there is an electrical device in the pole barn that is hazardous and will be removed.

Bert stated that if anyone notices any errors in the statements or reports that they need to inform him or Pam. Quickbook is not calculating the interest and is not consistent. He is trying to correct this as soon as possible and will hand write statements if necessary.

Committee Reports

1. Community Council: Sue Thompson
Sharon Batters did a presentation on the Addison School Bond that will be proposed on May 4th. This is the first increase in 25 yrs and will provide a 15 million dollar loan interest free.
2. Building: Gary Grandy
There are no additional requests for permits. Two new homes are being built and two scheduled.
3. Water Quality: Larry Wright
Larry will contact the Harvester Manufacturer for a repair manual. There will be 5 or 6 operators this year. Discussion followed on the use of the harvester .

DNRE Meeting - There is a good chance that dredging sediment can be placed in the brush area. Permits can only be obtained for those areas 10' from shore that are less that 4'. Lake lowering is no longer an option during the winter because it is felt to damage frog and turtle population. The area near Goose Creek may be the only area that meets these requirements. Herbicide can no longer be applied within 10 feet of the shoreline. The only way the weeds can be controlled in these areas is through the use of the harvester and down the road that will no longer be allowed due to fish damage. They want the aquatic plant growth. There is a possibility that the spillway can be blocked for weed treatment but that will require approval from the Hillsdale County Drain Commission. Bert asked that Al clarify the current written state rules.

Larry stated that he sent six letters out to weed applicators for bid. One response was returned, Aquaweed. Bert made a motion that we renew a one year contract with Aquaweed seconded by Jim MacRitchie. The motion carried.

4. Parks: Mike Gossett
No report
5. Roads: Tony Harsch
There are several areas that need cold patching including Emerald & Shannon.
6. Security: Mitch Wetzel
Guard contracts need to be approved. They have not had a raise in over 5 years. A motion was made by Jim MacRitchie seconded by Gary Grandy to increase guard pay to \$10 hr. This is already in the budget for this year.

Bert made changes to the boat registration form as requested. A copy was handed out for approval and a motion was made to accept the form as presented by Mitch Wetzler seconded by Jim MacRitchie. Motion carried.

Kaiser Presentation & Summary

Mark Kaiser, Patty & Brian provided us with a power point presentation summarizing our current and past weed situation. Mark stated that they began collecting data in Nov. 2004. The claudophora survey showed that the septic systems were our largest source of phosphorous followed by Goose Creek. Filtering with native plants was suggested in the drainage channels. Mark stressed that a balance is needed to control weeds and maintain lake use.

Patty reviewed the aquatic vegetation survey and stressed the importance of coordinating these surveys with the weed applicator and application. Recommendations were:

- Determine Goal*
- Appoint 1 lake management representative
- Compile all data in database (including applicator data)
- Enroll in MDEQ Co-op lake monitoring program (DEQ will manage data)

Brian followed with the 2008 sediment survey. He stated that 57 locations were measured for water & sediment depth and composition of material. Mapping was done and dredging options discussed. Elevated arsenic was found in the dry core samples that were above acceptable levels. Wet samples were acceptable.

The LSPOA contract has expired. They presented this material free of charge and will send a revised contract including our additional requests within the next week for review.

Presidents Report: Al Hoffmanner

Al asked if they board would like to pay travel expenses for Doug Pullman. Discussion followed and board majority did not feel this was necessary.

Vice-Presidents Report: Jim MacRitchie

Jim asked that all Board members submit what they would like to see in the Kaiser contract to Larry by Wed. so that Kaiser can revise a contract for board approval. Bert made a motion that we renew the existing Kaiser contract and at the next board meeting review any additional duties and expenses. This was seconded by Jim MacRitchie and approved. Larry will send a summary to all board members.

A motion to adjourn was made by Tony Harsch seconded by Jim MacRitchie at 12:35. P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen MacPheerson