

LAKE SOMERSET PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION
September 19, 2009

MEETING MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Al Hoffmann (President)	Albert Lawrence (Treasurer)
Larry McNeal (Secretary)	Larry Wright (Water Quality)
Tony Harsch (Roads)	Gary Grandy (Building Control)

Board Members Absent:

Carl Reuter (Security)	Jim MacRitchie (Vice President)
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Others Present:

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President Al Hoffmann and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

I. Board Meeting Minutes (Larry McNeal)

The dates of the Annual Membership and Board meetings were corrected to read October 4, 2009. On a motion Tony Harsch, seconded by Larry Wright, the minutes of the August 15, 2009 Board meeting were **approved as corrected**.

II. Treasurer's Report (Bert Lawrence)

Bert will research the Treasurer's Report format and report back at the October 17 Board meeting. Al Hoffmann said that Somerset Township last year agreed to accept certified appraisals to alter property assessments in the township.

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

III. Committee Reports

Community Council (Sharon Badders)

Sue Thompson will take Sharon Badder's place as Community Council spokesperson.

Building Control (Gary Grandy)

One permit was approved for a deck. Fee was \$50. Year To Date fees total \$50.

Water Quality (Larry Wright)

Patty from Keiser was out September 4 to do a weed study. More of a blend of weeds than in the past. Still having problems with erosion at the pole barn. Larry will get cost of ground cover plants for the area. Weeds are at the bottom of the lake and the harvester can't get to them. May not run the harvester any more. John Dickleman will need his 2-year physical next year to qualify for operating the harvester.

Tony reviewed a bid by WaterMark Dredging to dredge the holding pond at Inlet #2. WaterMark will dredge the entire holding pond for a total cost of \$4,200 which includes \$3,000 for excavation, \$900 for grading and disposal, and \$300 for installing a silt screen. Bert Lawrence said the Board should look at a way to circulate water in the cove at the West Park where Chris Scheitauer lives. On a motion by Tony, seconded by Gary Grandy, the Board **approved** the proposal by WaterMark to dredge the Inlet #2 pond.

Gary said a regular schedule is needed for work at the pond. Larry Wright said he will get an engineer to assess the rock dam at the pond once the dredging is complete.

Larry said Bert Lawrence and Steve Brennan have been added to the Water Quality Committee. He said that there is a person at Jackson Community College who has agreed to evaluate the harvester re: maintenance and ways to extend its life.

Parks

Chris Scheitauer said that the first 5 of the ten picnic tables have been assembled. The second set of 5 tables should arrive in the next week or so. Portable toilets will be pulled when the weather turns. Tree work is complete. A 22-foot section of stump has been left in the West Park for children to play on. Will start pulling docks October 1 except for the Main Park docks which will be pulled at the end of October. Ray Wills will submit a bid for roto tilling the beaches. John Dickleman said something needs to be done with the shore along the channel side of the West Park.

Roads (Tony Harsch)

Tony said he received just one response to his proposal for the Association to help fund road repairs around the lake and the person was opposed to the idea.

Security (Carl Reuter)

Thelma said that the gate to the boat ramps will be open all of October.

IV. President's Report (Al Hoffmanner)

Al said that the harvester should not be out on Saturdays. Larry Wright said the schedule has been adjusted to that each operator has one day. Al asked if Larry was holding regular meetings with the harvester operators. Larry said he calls the operators when there is an issue that needs to be discussed. Al said the hydrothol application needs to be adjusted. Larry said it was applied the Tuesday after July 4. Al agreed with the wording in the Red Book regarding renters. It was suggested that when an issue comes up that the Board deal directly with the property owner and not the renter.

V. Vice President's Report (Jim MacRitchie)

No report.

VI. Old Business

Larry McNeal said new sign for the gazebo on the island has been installed.

VII. New Business

100 copies each of the Annual Membership Meeting agenda, 2008 minutes, and end-of-year Treasurer's Report. 50 blank ballots. On a motion by Larry Wright, seconded by Gary Grandy, the Board **approved** spending up to \$100 on refreshments for the Annual Meeting. Marion will help again this year with the organization of the meeting.

VIII. Audience Participation

None

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Larry McNeal, Secretary