

# Linda Walker

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To: Pam@LSPOA

Subject: Mar 2021 LSPOA minutes

LAKE SOMERSET PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MINUTES

March 11, 2021

Pledge of Allegiance: Jodi Dahlberg

Call to Order:

Jodi Dahlberg called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

**Board Members Present:**

President – Jodi Dahlberg

Vice President – Che-ray Bellingar

Treasurer – David Kelley

Building Control – Kelly Langley

Secretary – Linda Walker

Parks – Terry Taylor

Roads – Eric Mozer

Security – Jeff Bennett

Water Quality – Don Tappan

**Board members Absent:**

**Officers Reports:**

• **Secretary – Linda Walker**

Presented for approval the February 11, 2021 meeting minutes, on a motion by Cher-ray Bellingar and seconded by Kelly Langley the minutes were voted upon and approved.

• **President – Jodi Dalhberg**

Wier 1 proposed enhancement - Michigan department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE) has recommended to place ownership on natural remediation vs starting with creating a weir. According to EGLE the first ask should be with addressing the run off to the drains (farm land to the south of the lake and beyond US-12. Therefore, EGLE is denying the plan to put the weir on our lake property. Other concern of EGLE is bank erosion, plant disruption, and polluted soils (e.g. arsenic). According to Savin, Lake La Paz is experiencing the same issues with EGLE permitting with their dredging permit.

Alternative solutions to mitigate not performing enhancements on weir 1 – “Spot dredging in front of both weirs using the current dredge permits could be done as long as it’s completed prior to the expiration date, March 18<sup>th</sup> 2024. This will not help with

the additional phosphorous (fertilizer) that will continue to drain into the lake. Savin recommends that inlet 1 & 2 dredging should be performed during 2023 at an estimate of \$125,000. Another more economical, but less effective option would be to “vacuum” muck, this runs about \$50,000.

Note: Don Keiser consulting has been contacted to just to explore a comparison estimate for enhancements to weir 1.

Mail box vandalism – asking all neighbors to report. The youth that caused damage are being tried for 31 mail boxes being damaged. Baseball bats and kicking was used to damage. Video RING were submitted to catch the kids.

- **Vice President-Che-ray Bellingar**

**No report**

- **Treasurer-David Kelley**

Presented for approval was the February financial report on a motion by Linda Walker and seconded by Che-Ray Bellingar the minutes were voted upon and approved.

- **Security-Jeff Bennett**

Ice fishing is over with the thawing of the lake. Flags and car tags will remain valid for next year. Members can pick them up at the office for next year. No cars were towed this year due to tow driver availability. Most of the community has been on the lake, and when checked, we are finding a few non-members that are still sneaking on.

Spring GUARD meeting will be in March 20<sup>th</sup> for orientation, still looking for help and substitutes. Lock will be changed to the ramp gate in April. Keys are \$11, and existing \$50 deposit is being held. You must return your old key to get a new one, otherwise, you will need to pay another \$50 deposit.

- **Building Control-Kelly Langley**

Two permits (home \$250, outstanding permit for shed out of compliance \$50) were approved. All known building outside requires a permit. Please contact the Building Committee before you build so that you don't build out of compliance.

- **Parks-Terry Taylor**

Gearing up for the warm weather. Docks will be put in this month. Need help with park updates to toys, and other improvements. Port-a-Johns are being delivered in the beginning of April.

- **Roads-Eric Mozer**

Tim Shaw, Somerset Township stated that Killybegs going to be repaved (.3 miles or 1600 ft) this year and will cost \$98,000. Will use this cost to estimate the cost of the remaining roads that need to be repaired. Using this measure, LSPOA has approximately 12 miles of road. It will take \$6.5M to fix the remaining. An assessment would be voted on by the membership and be assessed on property taxes as a percentage if the membership approves this repair.

- **Water Quality-Don Tappan**

Requested Keiser to give us estimates on remediation of septic tank leakage, weir 1 options, water measurements for nutrients.

Talked to Savin to do outsource harvesting during peak bloom times. Do 10 acres (\$5000) to keep the plants down and less on shore.

Looking for more drivers for the harvester so we can keep weeds down. Ignition switch issue with the harvester needs to be fixed.

Goose busters is in business and EGLE permits are being applied for. Nest destruction will also be done. If you see nest, let Don Tappan know.

**Old Business:**

Reapplication of the association -Notice of claim and deed restrictions needs to be renewed. One person from every subdivision needs to be a representative to apply for the deed restriction in order to be in compliance. This is a Michigan wide requirement by the state and affects all subdivisions.

**New Business:**

None

**Audience Participation:**

Dam: Membership wanted to know who owns it. Hillsdale owns the dam, but the association pays for the repairs. There is a repair fund that was set up upon the development of the neighborhood, and should be used for such repairs. The fund will not be enough to fix the dam, so the association will need to pay. Work is starting soon. Keep distance from the construction site, and avoid using the dam with heavy motor vehicles and carts. Pedestrian and bicycle traffic is fine.

Requested that we plow in the winter both West and Main parks so people can park without sliding into the grass and damaging the grass/fences.

A motion to adjourn at 753pm was by presented by Che-Ray Bellingar and seconded by Kelly Langley which was voted and approved.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Linda Walker, Secretary

Lake Somerset Property Owners Association Board of Directors