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To: Pam@LSPOA

Subject: SEPTEMBER 2021 LSPOA minutes

LAKE SOMERSET PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION

REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MINUTES

September 9, 2021

Pledge of Allegiance: Jodi Dahlberg

Call to Order:

Jodi Dahlberg called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Board Members Present:

President – Jodi Dahlberg

Vice President – Cher-ray Bellingar

Secretary – Linda Walker

Roads - Eric Moser

Parks – Terry Taylor

Water Quality – Don Tappan

Building Control – Kelly Langley

Treasurer – David Kelley

Security – Jeff Bennett

Board members Absent:

Officers Reports:

• Secretary – Linda Walker

Presented August 12, 2021 meeting minutes, on a motion to approve by Cher-ray Bellingar and seconded by Kelly Langley, the minutes voted on and approved.

• President – Jodi Dalhberg

Request the board members to get their Gazette articles submitted as soon as possible.

Dredging – second spoils area is being filled. This will conclude the activities of the dredging projects for Savin.

Drain issue - Corner of Somerset and Shannon roads drain will be fixed by LSPOA to return back to original size. Escrow account as part of the sale of the house for the drain issue will be used for payment.

Dam maintenance – Delay in contractors starting work, requests are not being answered in a timely manner. Goal is to fix things before cold weather.

Fix the road Vote clarification – This vote is solely to start the process (discussion) about starting to fix the roads (which ones, how to pay, etc.) not the final vote to

actually fix them. Road contractors will be procured through the county. LSPOA are working with the township lawyer to understand the process. In order to put an assessment on your taxes, a vote through the township needs to be done. The LSPOA association vote is to start the process. Include all roads, not the private roads (however these could be added if the association so deems). Members suggested is to use a contractor who recycles asphalt.

Tim Shaw comments:

- \$59k is spent yearly on roads (40k for brining alone) entire township.
- Kellybegs is costing 1.3M.
- Other lakes associations or residents are investigating to pay for their own roads as well.
- Many options to fix your roads can be discussed.
- Road estimates are based on the tearing down the roads, and resurfacing. We recognize that some roads are in worse shape. The determination of which roads, what fixes to these roads will be determined after a positive vote to start the process.
- Regarding applying for grant money, the township would have a difficult time because of the other surrounding lakes subdivisions and township residences, why is Somerset different than others.
- Timing for the process can take up to 8-9 months. Currently, Crystal Lake residents are in discussion on how to fix their roads.

New Owners be informed: Excited to have so many new members in our association. Learn the rules of the lake, as members are reporting unsafe practices on the lake. Member suggested safety zones where boats gather to swim or possible time ranges where we can dedicate fishing or skiing times during busy weekend. We need to be more aware of others on the lake and respectful of each other.

• **Vice President - Cher-ray Bellinger**

Safety in boating booklet will be published. We really need to be more considerate. Lake Somerset is an all sports lake where ALL are welcomed and should be tolerated. This doesn't mean that any one group should take advantage, and should always look to safety as a priority.

• **Treasurer - David Kelley**

The August 2021 financial report was presented. A motion to approve the financial report was presented by Cher-ray Bellinger, and seconded by Linda Walker, voted on and approved.

- **Security-Jeff Bennett**

Final boat launch schedule was emailed. Please be considerate to notify a key holder a day in advance or more if you need to access the gate when a guard is not present, or check out a key at the office. Looking for ice fishing volunteers for this winter.

- **Building Control-Kelly Langley**

Rejected two permits (house and fence) due to being incomplete. Please read the permit instructions before submitting. A deck permit was approved.

- **Parks-Terry Taylor**

Parks are winding down. Everything seems to have gone well. Toys continue to be refurbished. Still looking for a part time maintenance person possibly to help with daily work like cleaning the beaches, fixing lights, building issues, etc.

- **Roads-Eric Mozer**

Please vote in favor of starting the discussion about fixing our roads.

- **Water Quality-Don Tappan**

Mini harvester – trial was done. It pulls weeds and skims the top to grab floaters. Goes down to 5 ft. Can rent or looking to buy if feasible. Need to do more research. \$7k was spent on weed prevention was too late, but the cost had increased to 35%. \$46k was spent on herbicide this year. Savin will come in for the annual meeting to review water quality, what was done with weeds, and future plans.

Old Business:

Weeds, it's just not our lake that is having this issue. Vineyard, Lach Erin, and others have noticed a lot weeds due to the weather, and warm environment. Prevention is best; keep trees leaves out of the lake, do not fertilize your grass, and pump your septic tank regularly.

New Business:

None

Audience Participation:

Member asked if the swimming area sized had been diminished. Seems like to deeper end isn't as deep as before.

A motion to adjourned was made by Terry Taylor and seconded by Che-ray Bellingar. The motion was voted on and approved. The meeting was adjourned at 810pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Walker, Secretary

Lake Somerset Property Owners Association Board of Directors