

Thursday, June 17, 2021
Lake Hauto Club Meeting: 7:00 PM Community Center

Zoom Link:

When: Jun 17, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Meeting Began: 7:04

Meeting Ended: 9:20

Directors Present: JH, MB, BS, CT, SD, RD, BF

Absent (Excused): AM, JL

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Agenda:

1. Janene Holter, President
 - Calling the meeting to order.
 - Welcome & Updates.
 1. Thank you to all our volunteers at the lake. Cleaning the beaches, helping with the docks, cutting grass. If anyone would like to volunteer to help, please call the office or reach out to maintenance.
 2. Thank you to everyone who donated to Summer Bands/Fireworks & Security.
 3. Pittsburgh Trip: September 13, 14, & 15 if you are interested. Please reach out to Terri Lukach or the office.
 4. Thank You to the Beautification Committee for the beautiful Veterans Dedication & Service. If you missed the service, the video is on our LH website. Thank you to the O'Neil Family.
2. Megan Berezwick, Secretary
 - Reading of the May 20, 2021, minutes. (This can be by-passed by a motion).
2021-6-01: Motion to approve the May minutes.
 - Motion made by Craig Tiano, Seconded by Steve Daderko
 - All in favor; Motion carried
3. Craig Tiano, Treasurer
 - Treasurer Report
 1. **2021-6-02**: Motion to approve the treasurer's report.

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1. Motion made by [Steve Daderko](#), Seconded by Ray Doyle
2. All in favor; motion carried
2. **2021-6-03**: Motion to pay all bills up to and including 6/17/2021.
 1. Motion made by Craig Tiano, Seconded by Bryan Smith
 2. All in favor; motion carried
4. Office: Holter
 - Lake Hauto Beach/Recreation tags and stickers have arrived at the office. Please call the office ahead of time to help the office prepare your items.

Committee Updates:

5. Legal (Craig) (Rule Changes)

The Supreme Court struck down various limitations on rentals in 2018. While we can still prevent rentals of rooms, we cannot prevent rentals of lots and homes, or set a minimum number of days for the rental.

 1. **2021-6-04**: Motion to approve:
 - a. *Current*:
N2. The rental time period cannot be less than four months. Weekly rentals are not permitted.
Revised:
N2. Deleted
 - 2021-6-05**: Motion to approve:
 - b. *Current*:
N3. Rentals can only be for improved lots with a dwelling. Empty lot rentals are not permitted.
Revised:
N3. Deleted
 - 2021-6-06**: Motion to approve:
 - c. *Current*:
Y. Sheds
Revised:
Y. Sheds and Temporary Storage Structures
 - Motion made by Craig Tiano, seconded by Steve Daderko
 - All in favor; motion carried
2. **2021-06-05**: Motion to approve:
 - a. *Current*:
J3: The recreation areas and other Club facilities are for the entertainment and enjoyment of all facilities for business, pecuniary or monetary gain is forbidden.

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Revised:

J3: The recreation areas and other Club facilities are for the entertainment and enjoyment of Members.

3.1 Use of these areas for business, pecuniary, or monetary gain ("Business Purpose") is only permitted with specific permission by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

3.2 The Board of Directors, in determining whether recreation areas or other Club facilities may be used for a "Business Purpose", shall review the proposed use to determine whether the following criteria are met:

3.2.1 Interest by Members in using or attending the proposed use. A Business Purpose with little interest from the Members will be refused.

3.2.2 The scope of the Business Purpose. A Business Purpose without specific and well-defined limits will be refused.

3.2.3 The benefit to the Members. A benefit, whether it is economic or not, has to be shown.

3.2.4 The cost to Lake Hauto Club to allow the Business Purpose to take place. The cost to Lake Hauto Club must be negligible, or fully reimbursed.

3.2.5 The number of non-Members versus Members. In general, the number of Members using the Business Purpose must be overwhelmingly larger than the number of non-Members using it.

Comment on J3 revisions:

In the past:

1. We've rented the diner area of the community center (where the gym is today). The use of this as a commercial diner meets the criteria above, especially since there was rent paid.
2. We've permitted swimming lessons. These were for LHC Members and their families. This meets the criteria above.
3. We've permitted yoga on the beach. This was for LHC Members and their families. This meets the criteria above.
4. We shut down a basketball camp years ago because it was mostly non-members. This meets the criteria above.
5. We permit vendors at our summer picnic. These meet the criteria above.
6. We permit Mr. Softee to stop at our beaches during the summer. This meets the criteria above.

- Motion made by Craig Tiano, seconded by [Steve Daderko](#)
- All in favor; motion carried

6. Maintenance (Docks/Dam/Water Safety/Beaches/Building & Grounds/Beautification):

Chair: Steve Daderko

- Maintenance has been busy keeping things running smoothly (cleanliness, garbage, beaches, constructed new dock slips at Crescent Beach)
 1. Contractors dumping at our dump site: large logs, construction debris
 2. Fire pit built @ Eastwood where a tire was burned

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3. Oakwood Beach Tire burnt in the fire pit, large logs in the fire pit, etc.
4. Need member support to address those issues when they are occurring
5. Pins being removed from dock fingers recently
6. Birch Pools-floating bridge had pins removed
7. Projects moving forward-rebuilding Lake Drive shoulders, painting the roads to identify new stop signs, slow down, etc.
 1. One lane of Lake Drive will be shut down while the shoulders are being rebuilt and settling
8. Tennis Courts-The contractor has not completed the work that they were paid to complete. Our attorney has sent a letter to the company regarding the contract.
 1. Please be patient

7. Sub-Committee:

d. Docks: Craig Tiano

- Added four-10 ft wide docks at the end of Crescent A & B docks
- Going to be working on increasing the width of the docks at Crescent over a several year plan along with adding additional dock slips
- Evaluating slips closest to shore for jet skis, etc. that do not need deep slips
- Gretchen is working on calling people who have been on the list about moving out at Crescent

e. Dam/Water/Safety: Steve Daderko

- Coliform Bacteria-We are required by the state to test weekly. The lake does not have discretion regarding this.
- Retested early the next week; Steve had them test three samples per beach to eliminate any anomaly readings
 1. One of the primary causes of this is water fowl. We cannot really address this.
- Dam-Must be maintained. June 8th received a letter from the DEP regarding our dam inspection:
 1. We need to make sure we report any repairs to our engineer
 2. Emergency Action Plan-Hasn't be updated since 2011
 - a. We are working on updating this. It evaluates the potential of a dam breach, scenarios for certain

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water levels, identifies all of the impacted people downstream, etc. It is a significant project.

b. Require close inspection of the pipes that run underneath the dam

c. Proof of Financial Responsibility

f. Building, Grounds, & Roads: Ray Doyle

■ Frank covered roads

■ Grounds-Mulch at all playground areas, mulched Crescent and Oakwood flower beds

1. Mulch area-new signs will be placed reviewing what is permitted at to be dumped

g. Beautification: Steve Daderko

■ Wonderful job done by the committee overall

■ Marcia-Wanted to thank everyone who has donated to the No-Bake Bake Sale

h. Recreation Areas: Jen Lavine

i. Security: (Gates/Cameras/Personnel/Resources):

Chair: Janene Holter

■ Security Update:

1. No trespassing at the pump house. People have been observed and removed from fishing and swimming at this location.

a. Large fishing hook stuck on the Eastwood Swim Dock. Please be careful when fishing.

b. Please say something if you see something that is a concern (email security, email maintenance, contact the office, email or call a board member)

■ Key Fobs & Gate Cards: 4 devices per lot.

1. They were ordered and should be in shortly

■ Citations have been sent out

1. 5-boats/kayaks without stickers

2. 2-gate damages

3. 1-illegal dumping

Co-Chair: Bryan Smith

4. Gates

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- a. Working great; have the ability to reset remotely
- b. Frank is going to paint down at the gate (slow down, etc.)
- 5. Cameras
 - a. Working well
 - b. 1-Faulty one at Eastwood. Bryan is going to look at it
 - c. We do not have infrared cameras to identify at night
- 6. Website
 - a. Completed and easier to navigate
 - b. Office is going to work on updating it daily
 - i. Photos from members, announcements, etc.
- j. Permits: Chair: Ray Doyle/ Co-Chair: Steve Daderko
 - 6-Tree Permits
 - 2-Houses
 - 2-Landscaping Permits
- k. Recreation: (LH Events/Summer Entertainment/Lifeguards/Fish): Chair: Jen Lavine
 - Thank you to the members of 3PM who played at Crescent Beach on Saturday evening with sets covering bands such as The Rolling Stones, Billy Joel, and The Cars. There was a decent crowd despite the weather (which got a little chilly).
 - Our next band will be Saturday, July 3rd (the band “Six to Midnight” starting at 7pm with our fireworks display at dark) and then Sunday, July 4th we have an afternoon duo “Honey and Nuts” - both performances at Crescent Beach!
 - Jen has had emails and calls from members suggesting bands - the issues we’ve had with, for example the “Local Boys” band is that they only had one date available and we already had a band scheduled for that date - or sometimes there’s already someone using the pavilion and the office & I are using a google doc to make sure the pavilion table renter has their day without a band setting up at 4:30/5pm. If you have contacted a band and want to book them for your beach the office or myself can check the status of the pavilion for that specific date. Overall - I am glad to see/hear that bands’ schedules are filling up, regardless of where they are playing!
 - Contact Jen at recreation@lakehauto.org

New Business

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- Looking for anyone interested in some adult kickball and volleyball activities on Friday evenings or even Saturday mornings (there used to be a bunch of adult guys that would play basketball at Crescent - before COVID)- we would like to resume and add activities with possibly a small donation to Recreation. This donation could be used to take care of our three beaches with items that may need to be replaced or updated.

1. Looking for members to get involved with these things.
Contact Jen about what you would like to run/have.

- Courtney Taylor has created our Picnic T-shirt! An email was sent to members with her website - Shirts are \$15, also please remember to place your order on or before July 16th in order to receive your shirts in time for the Picnic on Saturday, July 24th.

www.tayloroutfitters.com

Upper right-hand corner click on the 3 lines. Click Lake Hauto

- July 24: Lake Swim & Summer Picnic

1. Looking for LH Vendors (Ann)
2. Looking for volunteers with power boats for the Lake Swim.
 - a. Asking that boats not be out on the lake from 8-11 am
 - b. Medals have been donated by Tony D'Amico and Craig Tiano

Co-Chair: (Summer Entertainment): Janene Holter, Megan Berezwick, and Ann Miller
Co-Chair: (Lifeguards): Ann Miller

Co-Chair: (Fishing Club): Brady Forte

- Bass Tournament this Saturday at 6:00AM start, weigh in between 10:30-11:00 AM.
- Picnic Raffle in the office: Deadline is June 27
- *June 9*: Stocking:475 Oswago Bass, 500 Blue Gills
Birch Pools Stocked: 120 12–14-inch trout.
June 15: Stocking: 300 Black Crappie, 300 Yellow Perch, 300 Blue Gills, 400 lbs. of fatheads.

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1. In the process of planning the Poker Run. They are looking at dates currently.

8. New Business:

A. Fish raffle Discussion (Craig):

Last year, it cost us \$365 for the tickets, plus \$250 in extra postage, plus \$80 for the envelopes, and \$200 in prizes, a total of \$895. Revenue in 2020 was \$965.

In its present incarnation, we are not making anything once you include the cost of the office staff.

Here are some suggestions:

1. Instead of mailing the tickets, sell the tickets at the office, picnic, or have the fish club do it.
2. Eliminate it and replace it with a 50/50 at the picnic, 4th of July weekend, and Labor Day.

- Craig suggests that we sell the tickets at the Office
- Sue Nelson suggested doing a No-Fish Fish Raffle because the No-Bake Bake Sale has been doing well
- Warren Nelson suggested adding Fish Raffle to the Summer Entertainment Donation Letter
- Brady is going to run these ideas regarding by the Fish Committee

B. Board of Directors Elections are now open.

a. [Bryan Smith](#) announced that he will not be completing the final year of his term

If interested here is the procedure:

Procedure:

1. A member requests a petition to run for the Board of Directors in the office.
2. The member gets at least 10 signatures of members in good standing to sign the petition.
3. This completed petition is returned to the office during office hours prior to 2:00 PM on whatever date is the Saturday (July 10, 2021) before the monthly Board of Directors meeting in July.
4. The office will determine if the signatures are of current members (whose names are on the deed) and who are in good standing with all fees paid and no litigation with the Lake Hauto Club.

NOTE: Only one member per lot can sign the petition. For example, a husband and wife cannot sign the petition from one lot.

5. The candidate will then be requested to provide a short biography (less than 4 inches in length) to be sent out with the ballot. The biographies must be short to fit on one page

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(front and back).

6. The order of the names on the ballot will be chosen at the July Board of Directors meeting. This will also be the order of the biographies.

7. The ballot and biographies will then be printed. These two items along with the Fish Raffle will be mailed. This packet will also include the white ballot envelope, the ballot return #2 envelope and the Fish ticket return envelope. These six items should be less than 1 ounce. This envelope will have a postage stamp in case any forwarding is required.

8. The due date for the ballot returns is the Saturday before the Annual meeting in September. The counting will be on the day of the Annual meeting, which is the second Sunday in September.

9. RETURNED BALLOTS CANNOT BE RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE. THEY MUST BE MAILED.

10. The candidates are asked if they wish to have one observer present during the counting. It is up to the candidate to supply the name of the observer to the office prior to the counting

9. Open Discussion.

○ John Kwiecinski-Transient Rentals:

1. Asking who told us that we have to do this?
 1. Our Attorney told us that we have to do this
2. Can we change this with an update to our by-laws?
 1. No, it would have to be voted on by the supermajority (66%) of each Restrictive Covenant Section.
3. Who is enforcing this?
 1. Lake Hauto will be monitoring this and reporting things to the township.
 - a. They have the ability to enforce this.
 2. Property owners are responsible for their guests.

○ Carolyn Jensen-What does this ruling mean in a day-to-day situation. How does this affect everyone here?

1. Last year someone was advertising their property for short-term rentals. We went to our attorney to stop it, and he told the board that the rule was against a PA Supreme Court ruling.

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- Lori Nace-People walking on the boat docks at Eastwood where it says only boat owners permitted.
 1. We have to evaluate the cost of enforcement.
- Marcia Evans-From Craig earlier-"We cannot approve the rental of lots and homes"...Can someone come in and put in a tent or camper?
 1. No, that is in the restrictive covenants so that can be enforced.
 2. What about waterfronts?
 1. The club owns it, but is leased back the member
 3. Can the owner give the renters their tags?
 1. No, they must be with the member
- Irene Ginther-Is the Carbon side part of the Nesquehoning? Why would we hand over transient rentals?
 1. [Steve Daderko](#) responded how much are people willing to pay for legal fees?
- Ken Snyder-When is the newsletter going on the new website?
 1. Bryan said they are on the website
 2. Zoning Regulations in Nesquehoning-Another animal
 3. Tent City on Lake Drive last year-He told them to leave
 4. Thinks we should try to change the covenants even though the bar is high
- Sue Nelson-Clothing Drive for School Children very successful
 1. Two-\$200 donations that she could buy items wholesale
 2. She has two boxes to go to each school
 3. Wanted to thank Lake Hauto for their generous donations
- Sue Nelson-Golf Cart Decoration Parade for our picnic or boat parade
- Sue Nelson-House at Pine Terrace and Beach Lane concern regarding water drainage
- Two small motor bikes-being ridden by children at Oakwood
 1. Mini-bikes are not permitted in the community
- Marcia Evans-Thank you for the stop signs
- Ryan Barwis-Why would someone not want the workshops on Zoom?
 1. Steve does not believe it permits us to have open and honest discussions.
- Marcia Evans-Can we send a letter/email explaining the Air Bnb rental issue and how the process will restrict it (Township)
- Carolyn Jensen-Can we do a survey to see what the residents prioritize?
- Doris Branson-When walking on Lake Drive, there is a lot of trash. Who is responsible for correcting this?
 1. Frank can coordinate with bags and bag pick up.
- Charlie Sincavage-Significant amount of junk on the old Provznick property. Janene asked Charlie to contact the office. Amy will call the owner and speak with them regarding the junk on the property.
- Charlie Sincavage-Will bills for payment be on the website?

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1. Yes-Spreadsheet with that will be uploaded. There have been some issues with getting it on.

- Charlie Sincavage-There are a lot of lake front properties that have boats without stickers on them.
- Charlie Sincavage-There is a boat continuously towing someone around the lake on a tube.
- Charlie Sincavage-Is the club stocking firewood for the fire pits?

1. No

- Charlie Sincavage-Rule change-Are we just deleting it? Yes, deleting it.
- Manny Roman-Stickers for ATV and boats-There is a boat at Crescent that has a kayak sticker on a motor boat.
- Warren Nelson-Boat Stickers: House on the channel without a Hauto Sticker or State Stickers
- Sue Nelson-Did we get the fireworks contract?

1. Yes

- Sue Nelson-Covenants: Can we put out the absurd parts of the covenants to the membership to try to get the 66% vote?
- Irene Ginther-Do we have a rule that limits Bed and Breakfasts as a business?

10. Motion to Adjourn.

- Motion made by Megan Berezwick, Seconded by Bryan Smith
- All in favor; motion carried