

Thursday, October 21, 2021
Lake Hauto Club Meeting: 7:00 PM Community Center

Directors Present: RD, AY, CT, BF, SD, MM, RB, BS, JL
Directors Absent: 0

Began: 7:02 pm
Ended: 9:20 pm

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Agenda:

1. Steve Daderko, President
 - a. Calling the meeting to order.
 - b. Pledge of Allegiance
 - c. Welcome & Updates.
 1. Thank you to all our volunteers at the lake. If anyone would like to volunteer to help, please call the office or reach out to maintenance.
 2. We would like to especially thank the following volunteers for assisting with the recently completed dock removals:
 - Dale Kostick Eric Dalsted
 - Dave Kattner Ray Doyle
 - Steve Lukach Lenny Ciszek
 3. Thank you to everyone who donated to Summer Bands/Fireworks & Security.

2. Maria Matsago, Secretary
 - a. Reading of the September 12, 2021, minutes. (This can be by-passed by a motion).

2021-10-01: Motion to approve the September minutes.

Motion to approve the Sept 12, 2021 meeting minutes made by Craig Tiano, seconded by Amy York. All in favor, motion carried.

3. Craig Tiano, Treasurer
 - a. Treasurer's report

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report made by Maria Matsago, seconded by Ryan Barwis. All in favor, motion carried.

b. Motion to approve all bills received up to 10-21-21.

Motion to pay all bills up to and including 10/21/21 made by Craid Tiano, seconded by Ray Doyle. All in favor, motion carried

c. Results of 2019 Audit

The audit has been completed. No change to corporate tax return. The auditor re-classified certain expenses from professional services to legal, to better reflect the cost of litigation. This changed the previously reported legal category from \$36K to \$114K. The auditor also suggested our accounting would be easier if we did not invoice until January, (or quarterly or each 6 months) to make the income appear in the proper budget year. We will consider this for 2023. The full audit report is available for review in the office.

d. CPI increase explanation and motion to approve CPI increase for 2022 budget

Motion made to increase dues 8.6% made by Craig Tiano, seconded by Ryan Barwis. All in favor, motion carried

e. Presentation of 2022 budget and motion to approve

Motion to approve 2022 budget made by Maria Matsago, seconded by Bob Stewartz. All in favor, motion carried.

Committee Updates:

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

Ray Doyle

a. Oakwood Drain Update: Ryan Barwis

All docks, buoys, swim platforms are out of the lake for the winter

Maintenance cleaning out storm drains

Ryan Barwis addressed the Oak Court drainage issues - sent out requests for proposals; looking at work possibly done 2022

5. Sub-Committee:

a. Docks: Craig Tiano

All docks are out. Will be building new PWC slips for next year. Members with PWCs in boat slips at Crescent will be encouraged to move to a PWC slip

b. Dam/Water/Safety: Steve Daderko

a. Outlet pipe inspection

b. Emergency Action Plan update

Update every 5 yrs. 2011 was the last time the EAP was accepted by DEP. In Progress

c. Building, Grounds, & Roads: Ray Doyle

d. Beautification: Amy Yorke

Marcia Evans coordinating giving out candy at the Guard shack on Saturday, Oct. 30, 2021 during LH Trick or Treating

e. Recreation Areas: Jen Lavine

Bathrooms at Oakwood and Eastwood are winterized and closed for the winter. Crescent left open because it has heat.

Picnic tables - some in need of improvement (sand & paint) Can plan in spring.

TeePees - last been power washed 4 yrs ago - Frank did clean this year but did not power wash

f. Security: (Gates/Cameras/Personnel/Res:) Chair: Jen Lavine

g. Permits: Chair: Ray Doyle

Ray gave out 7 landscape permits

h. Recreation: (LH Events/Summer Entertainment/Lifeguards/Fish): Chair: Maria Matsago

Maria is starting to look into bands for next summer

Coordinating a craft day/night in December for the children. Will be either Winter or Christmas theme. Parents will need to sign their children up to participate. More information to come.

Co-Chair: (Fishing Club): Brady Forte

a. Poker Run Update

We had about 60 participants. Thanks to everyone who volunteered and donated. It was a fun day

Fishing club meeting next month - talking about a Chili Cook Off and Boilo Contest

New Business:

a. Motion to discontinue tree permits on improved lots. This only applies to improved lots. The Restrictive Covenants forbid cutting trees or making any improvements to an undeveloped lot without obtaining a building permit. This will not change by eliminating the requirement for tree permits.

Dean Evans, Manny Roman, Charlie Sincavage voiced concerns giving people free reign to clear cut their lots and asked the board to reconsider doing away with the tree permits.

Motion was made to discontinue the tree permits on improved lots, there was no second on the motion. No Vote. It now goes back to the board for further discussion.

Ryan Barwis asks members for more feedback on how to improve things moving forward.

b. Motion to change the fine for hitting the gate to \$200 for reported incidents, and \$500 for non-reported incidents.

Motion to approve changing the fines for hitting the gate to \$200 for reported incidents, and \$500 for non-reported incidents made by Craig Tiano, seconded by Brady Forte. All in favor, motion carried.

Welcoming New Members:

Kailee Lakitsky
Graham & Tara Barry

Open Discussion

Manny Roman inquired why fines for hitting gates have been reduced? Craig Tiano explained how the gate used to operate vs how it works now. Frank assured that the new fines of \$200 and \$500 definitely cover the cost of repairing the gate.

Marcia Evans read a letter and submitted it to the board regarding Amy Brown - the letter is made part of these minutes.

Charlie Sincavage - regarding the CPI - concerned not in alignment with the bylaws. Craig and Steve said it is within our Bylaws. Our Bylaws do not state which CPI we have to use.

Ray Doyle - LHC Budget - insufficient funds - we have a lot of projects that need to be done but we have no money to do it all - Ray resigns from Permits.

Marcia Evans asks if the road assessment of \$100 is paid off yet. Craig Tiano answers that we have 3 more years.

Lenny Ciscek - Oakwood would just like the drainage issues fixed. Ryan told him that it is in discussions with the board. Radocha is coming in to fix it.

Sue Nelson - it is common sense we need to raise dues. Things the board should put in a narrative budget explaining the funds that are needed to fix the road issues, drainage issues and other issues around the lake. Sue thinks we should ask for more than \$50, suggests maybe putting it out to the members and see how much they are willing to pay.

Motion to Adjourn.

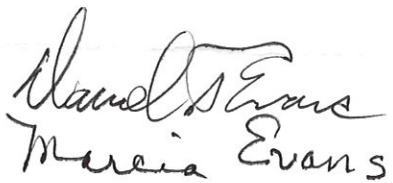
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Our thanks to the former board and its new counterpart for employing Amy Brown as Security Officer for the Lake Hauto community.

In the two years that Officer Brown has held this position, we have been consistently impressed with her dedication and diligence. She is consistent, hard working, and trustworthy. In our 40+ years as residents of the lake, we have witnessed many others fill the role of security. Officer Brown is exemplary. Thank you again for employing her


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