

LAKE HAUTO CLUB
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MONTHLY MEETING
November 15, 2005 – 7:00 P.M.

Present: K. Snyder, H. Tokosh, R. Brightman, L. Mosser, M. Infante, J. Totani, J. Mikovich,
J. Pilla, N. Seifert
Presiding: K. Snyder

1. Initial Motions

- a) Motion made by R. Brightman, seconded by J. Totani, to modify the Building Permit Application text to state that permits are to be affixed to the tree nearest the street such that it is easily viewable by passersby; and that the house location should be staked out prior to permit application.. All in favor, motion carried.
- b) Motion made by R. Brightman, to acquire a permanent Post Office box for all club mail. No second.
- c) Motion made by R. Brightman, seconded by J. Mikovich, to accept the October Treasurers Report. (General Fund discrepancy clarification was requested last month.) All in favor, motion carried.
- d) K. Snyder discussed the breakdown of the Lake Drive well. Motion made by M. Infante, seconded by H. Tokosh, to repair the well. All in favor, motion carried.
- e) Motion made by R. Brightman, seconded by M. Infante, to purchase ten new stop signs with posts. All in favor, motion carried.
- f) Motion made by R. Brightman, seconded by H. Tokosh, to borrow the second \$20,000 from the Dam Fund for use in the General Fund. All in favor, motion carried.
- g) K. Snyder stated that the Snack Shop profit, excluding wages, was \$2,899.01 and that the Snack Shop fund (seed money) is approximately \$3,300.00, which he would like to use on community center improvements. Motion made by R. Brightman, seconded by L. Mosser, to use the Snack Shop fund money to purchase new ceiling tiles, paint and re-tile the building. All in favor, motion carried.
- h) K. Snyder stated that the east entrance Board of View has returned a recommendation that the club be awarded rights to a 25 foot right of way from the club property line to the railroad tracks by Tippets Road. All parties involved have 30 days to appeal this ruling to the judge. Motion made by H. Tokosh, seconded by J. Pilla that the board would not appeal this recommendation. All in favor, motion carried.
- i) K. Snyder stated that members of the board met on November 8 with representatives from PPL and PennDOT to discuss the proposed Route 54 realignment. Under the proposed new route, PennDOT would purchase an additional ten acres of the former PPL property from the Lake Hauto Club. A PennDOT representative stated that there has only been funding to do the engineering study, so no date for the work can be set until the state legislature budgets for it.
- j) K. Snyder stated that Mr. Watkins requested an extension of the hearing of the lawsuit against him until May 2006. He is requesting a repayment of his legal fees by the club in return for agreeing to drop the suit. The board does not plan to return any legal fees.
- k) K. Snyder stated that the new club website is up and running; that social security numbers have been purged from the club records and files; that a new dual heating / air conditioning system has been installed in the community center; that additional lighting will be installed in the meeting room when the ceiling tiles get replaced; and that the 2006 dues letters will go out on December 1, but that none of these funds received in 2005 will be spent until January 1, 2006.
- l) Motion made by R. Brightman, seconded by H. Tokosh to restrict certain types of commercial vehicles and equipment in the lake. Discussion held. Motion was withdrawn.

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2. Approval of the Regular Minutes

- Motion made by H. Tokosh, seconded by M. Infante, to approve the October minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

3. Approval of Bills to Be Paid

- Motion made by J. Mikovich, seconded by N. Seifert to approve bills to be paid with the exception of the legal bill. All in favor, motion carried. K. Snyder to discuss details of the legal bill with Stan Burke.

4. Correspondence

- Membership application received from Salena Herbinko, daughter of club members Dan and Gloria Bingaman. This is a transfer of property to a relative. Motion made by R. Brightman, seconded by J. Mikovich, to accept the new members pending completion of documentation and to waive the initiation fee. All in favor, motion carried.

5. Committee Reports

- a) Water Quality – The lake water is tested every three months.
- b) Insurance – Willie’s family coverage problem has been resolved.
- c) Building Plans – Already covered.
- d) Grounds & Maintenance - J. Totani suggested that people who have shrubs that block drivers’ views should cut them back a bit to permit clear site views.
- e) Docks - H. Tokosh stated that new swim area rafts will be built over the winter, including a wooden one at Crescent Beach. He stated that the Crescent trampoline, which cost \$3500.00, is shot after three years of use. A new wooden raft will cost \$800.00 and last 20 years. Also, only one lifeguard will be required instead of two. Lastly, a new fishing dock will be built for Eastwood.
- f) Communications – Working on a newsletter. Need articles from committee people. R. Brightman stated that he misunderstood Irene Genter’s statement concerning her participation in the Panther Creek Partners Advisory Committee meetings AND that she would not be alternating with her husband. Motion made by R. Brightman, seconded by L. Mosser, to reverse the appointment of Frank Genter as a committee alternate. All in favor, motion carried.
- g) Audit & Budget – Requests for Proposals have been sent out to regional accounting firms. The meeting to determine the 2006 budget is set for December 7.
- h) Dam Safety - H. Tokosh presented the following report:

On 19 October I met with our dam inspector, Joe Ellam, and accompanied him as he inspected the dam. He advised the following:

1. On the upstream part of the flat area of the breast, where the RCC meet the vertical concrete face he suggests chipping out the loose mortar and sealing it with mastic (the black sealer used on roads). Action: This will be done in the spring
2. Brush that is growing in the rip rap of the upstream face of the breast needs to be cleared. Winter might be a good time to do this since the water level will be lower and the maintenance people can stand on the ice. Action: The work will be done by the maintenance people in the winter.
3. Longer term he advises that the rip rap be re grouted. Action: Will be considered in the future.

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4. The downstream face of the breast needs to have the brush, which is beginning to grow, cut. He suggests using a brush hog to do the job. Action: Will be done next season.
5. An attempt was made, using the pay loader to uncover the drains at the base of the dam to see if they were unobstructed. The drains could not be located. He suggests measuring to where the drains should be and placing markers like fire departments use to locate fire hydrants. Action: Maintenance will do.
6. A large rock, located at the North side of the bottom of the spillway, obstructs a drainage pipe and should be removed. Action: The rock was removed.
7. A pipe should be installed from the base of the spillway, under the access road to the breast, and run into the .37 acre wetland area. The function of this pipe is to allow water to enter the wetland area which currently gets little water. On the same day 200 ft. of flexible pipe was purchased and this project was commenced. Action: done
8. The wetland area should be seeded. Wetland seeds have been purchased and will be sown.

6. Old Business

- K. Snyder mentioned that he had located the light switch for the lights over the meeting room entrance. It was on the outside of the building.

7. New Business

- a) K. Snyder announced that there will be light refreshments at the December board meeting at no cost to the club.

8. Club Member Discussion

- a) Discussion held on plowing dangers around the Eastwood tennis courts due to drainage ditches eroding the shoulders of the road.
- b) N. Seifert inquired about a response to the October 17 William Packer letter. [To be discussed at the January workshop.]

Adjournment:

Motion made by J. Mikovich, seconded by R. Brightman to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 9:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by,

Richard Brightman
Treasurer, Lake Hauto Club