

**LAKE HAUTO CLUB
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MONTHLY MEETING
May 16, 2006 – 7:00 P.M.**

Present: K. Snyder, H. Tokosh, R. Brightman, M. Infante, N. Seifert, J. Totani, J. Wink
Absent: J. Mikovich
Presiding: K. Snyder

1. Approval of the Regular Minutes

- Motion made by R. Brightman, seconded by N. Seifert, to approve the April minutes as amended. All in favor, motion carried.

2. Approval of Bills to Be Paid

- Motion made by M. Infante, seconded by R. Brightman to approve the bills to be paid. All in favor, motion carried.

3. Approval of the Treasurers Report

- a) Motion made by N. Seifert, seconded by H. Tokosh to accept the Treasurer's Report. All in favor, motion carried.
- b) K. Snyder to investigate better interest rates for our accounts.

4. Legal

- K. Snyder reported that T. Watkins is still insisting on maintaining July 22 as the trial date (a Saturday.) He also reports there is a pre-trial meeting scheduled for May 30.

5. Correspondence

- Motion made by R. Brightman, seconded by M. Infante to accept for membership George Baxaveos, James Vetterlein and Mildred Lempa. All in favor, motion carried.

6. Committee Reports

- a) Recreation – N. Seifert announced the Tamaqua YMCA will handle swim lessons again this year. The lessons will be held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from June 20 to August 10. The fee will be \$20.00 per child. Motion made by R. Brightman, seconded by H. Tokosh to hold the annual "Run Around the Lake" 5 kilometer race / fun walk on Saturday, July 29. All in favor, motion carried.
- b) Water Quality – J. Wink announced that Pottsville Environmental Testing had tested the well and will issue a report shortly. They will also be testing the beaches shortly. Discussion held on testing the lake for heavy metals. Board consensus is to continue with our regular testing.
- c) Building Plans – Motion made by J. Wink, seconded by M. Infante to permit Bonnie Kopie to build either retaining wall or a gutter to divert rain water runoff. All in favor, motion carried.
- d) Security – M. Infante announced there will be a meeting of the volunteer block watchers and beach tag checkers Tuesday May 23 at 7:00 P.M. Motion made by M. Infante, seconded by H. Tokosh to allocate \$13,995.00 to hire the Charlesworth Company to provide security, from May 27 through September 4. Security to be provided on all Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays and on various other days of the week. In favor: K. Snyder, H. Tokosh, R. Brightman, M. Infante, J. Totani, J. Wink; abstain: N. Seifert. Motion carried. Motion made by

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R. Brightman, seconded by H. Tokosh to adjust the following budget line items: Buildings from \$25,000 to \$20,000; Professional Fees from \$20,000 to \$15,000; Sanitation / Sewer from \$10,500 to \$5,500 and Security from zero to \$15,000. In favor: K. Snyder, H. Tokosh, R. Brightman, M. Infante, J. Totani, J. Wink; against: N. Seifert. Motion carried.

- e) Building & Grounds – Discussion held on Joseph Tout’s request for club to spread calcium chloride on his portion of the east entrance to reduce dust levels. K. Snyder to get cost. K. Snyder also said that approximately 25 feet of chain will be stretched across the southern end of the dam, supported by 4 x 4 posts, to try to prevent recreational vehicles from crossing the breast. Motion made by R. Brightman, seconded by N. Seifert to allocate \$1,350.00 to have Malliet’s clean the beaches in preparation for Memorial Day. All in favor, motion carried. Motion made by R. Brightman, seconded by N. Seifert to hire Joe Mikruk at \$6.00 per hour to clean the restrooms and keep the grass alongside the roads mowed starting the second week in June through Labor Day. All in favor, motion carried. K. Snyder announced that any club member wishing to run in the next board election must use the standard club petition as a nominating petition. Discussion held on methods of controlling RV drivers crossing the bridge at Crescent Beach. Suggestion made by a club member to require all RVs to have flags so they can be identified as members. Motion made by H. Tokosh, seconded by J. Wink to drive a post in front of either side of the walking path bridge leading to Crescent Beach so as to prevent ATVs from crossing the bridge. In favor: H. Tokosh, J. Wink and K. Snyder; against: J. Totani, M. Infante and R. Brightman; abstain: N. Seifert. Motion failed. Motion made by M. Infante, seconded by J. Wink to permit soccer teams to use the Crescent ball field for practice given that a liability waiver is signed. All in favor, motion carried.
- f) Docks & Fish – H. Tokosh said that all docks will be in the water by Memorial Day. The children’s fishing derby was a great success. \$1,500.00 worth of trout were stocked that morning. \$1,000.00 worth of catfish will be stocked on June 3.
- e) Audit/Budget – H. Tokosh said the auditors are actively working and we are providing them with a great deal of photocopied material.
- f) Communications – R. Brightman said that social activities letters went out to members who had indicated interest in last fall’s survey. Work has begun on the next newsletter. The board had its first bylaws review meeting on May 3, which was very productive.
- g) Dam Safety – H. Tokosh mentioned that the dam valve needs to be worked on.

6. Old Business

Discussion held on removing the Lake Drive gates. This will be a subject at the next workshop.

7. New Business

- None.

8. Member Discussion

- A member asked if the board still intends to reimburse the members for the unspent dam assessment money. The board intends to do so once it is sure it does not need to borrow from this fund as it did late last year.

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Adjournment:

Motion made by N. Seifert, seconded by H. Tokosh to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by,

Richard Brightman
Treasurer, Lake Hauto Club