

Lake Hauto Club Meeting Minutes
April 15, 2010

Present: J. Mikovich, K. Snyder, A. Higgins, H. Tokosh, G. Makovec, B. Schmitt, President Seiwell
Presiding: D. Seiwell
Absent: G. Deppen, C. Gangaware

1. Opening Remarks

President Seiwell welcomed all. He reminded everyone that if anyone wanted to run for the Board of Directors, they would need to get an official petition from the LHC office. The office is open on a Wednesday, Friday and Saturday.

2. Approval of the Regular Minutes

Minutes for February and March were tabled until the next meeting.

3. Approval of deposit all receipts, approve all bills to be ratified and pay all other bills

- A. Higgins moved and H. Tokosh seconded to approve the deposit of all receipts, ratify all bills and pay all other bills. All voted yes. Motion carried.

4. Approval of the treasurer's report

- K. Snyder moved and J. Mikovich seconded to approve the Treasurer's report. All voted yes. Motion Carried.

5. Legal:

President Seiwell reported on two legal situations. The Carbon County Sheriff's Office is scheduling a sale of Mr. Stewart's personal property on 13 October 2010. The estate of Francis Buffett has made an offer to settle the delinquent amount due. However, the Board feels that it will not negotiate the amount and the full amount needs to be paid to the Lake Hauto Club.

6. Correspondence / communication –

K. Snyder moved and H. Tokosh seconded to grant permission for Chuck Joseph to use the Crescent ball field. All voted yes. Motion carried.

J. Mikovich reported that Chuck Joseph, Bob Agosti, and he will trim back the white birch trees.

7. Committee Reports

- a) **Recreation** – No report.
- **b) Water quality** – No report.
- **c) Building plans** – K. Snyder reported that there is only one plan which is to demolish one home and build a new home in its place.
- **d) Insurance** – Nothing to report.
- **e) Security** – G. Deppen to contact our security company from last year.
- **f) Buildings, grounds, beaches** – K. Snyder will be putting up four cameras at Crescent Beach area. The area will be recorded on tape for our review. Infrared cameras will be made operational at the west entrance which will read license plate numbers. The infrared cameras stored at the garage will also be made operational at the east entrance. A new combination lock will be installed at the dump on the South shore at curb dumping by unauthorized individuals. J. Mikovich had a question to be asked of our Solicitor – How many feet must we give PennDOT at the turn around? Then line again with boulders.
- **g) Roads** – Dogwood Lane should be started again next week. Potholes are to be fixed and tampered. President Seiwell reported that a new estimate has been received from Slusser Brothers for Dogwood

Lane - \$102,000. He also reported that we are in better shape this year than we were last year. We still need to come up with ideas to fix Fern Terrace. J. Mikovich reported that the shoulders on Acorn should be paved so as not to block pipes.

h) Fish, docks & dam – J. Mikovich reports that five hundred 14” fish have been stocked in Birch Pools. He has had many compliments from members who appreciated the stocking of the fish. He also reports that the Fishing Derby for the kids will be held on 8 May 2010 and the cost is \$3.00 per child. He also will need volunteers to help.

i) Docks - K. Snyder reports that the docks are all in. Zero Beach will be getting a fishing dock this year.

j) Dam – H. Tokosh reports that mortaring still needs to be done. Caulking and sides of the spillway needs to be done. Curbing on the upstream side of the dam needs to be done. We also need to get quotes for the spillway.

- **k) New Members Committee, etc.** – no report

- **l) Safety and employee relations** – no report

8. Old business

Regarding the forester from Tioga County who gave us an estimate on the selective cutting of Timber on the South shore, his contract would be good for two (2) years. B. Schmitt recommends doing the project in two phases, Block A and Block B. It is now time to take action if we want to do the job. President Seiwel reports that selective cutting will be good for our forest over there and will give us about \$60,000 or \$75,000. B. Schmitt reports that there are two prime times to do the work. One time would be in August and another time would be in February or March; during the dry season.

B. Schmitt moved and G. Makovec seconded to sign a contract with the forester to begin the process for selective cutting on the South shore. All voted yes. Motion carried.

J. Mikovich had two questions concerning the selective cutting. (1) What did the Solicitor say about the right-of-way with the railroad and (2) does anyone know where our land actually starts as far as Greenwood is concerned.

9. Member discussion

- A member asked if Greenwood contributes anything to Lake Hautau. J. Mikovich reported that there is nothing. G. Makovec asked if we could assess them anything for the repair of the roads. K. Snyder is looking for some information about the Agreement with Greenwood.
- Another member asked if we own land on the South side of Route 54. J. Mikovich reported that there is nothing big enough to harvest over there.
- Another member wanted to know where one could get the combination for the new lock over at the dump.
- Another member asked if they could place a plaque in memory of Jim Mock at Eastwood beach. Mr. Mock passes away in December 2009.
- K. Snyder moved and J. Mikovich seconded to allow the member to place a plaque in memory of Jim Mock at Eastwood Beach. All voted yes. Motion carried.
- Another member asked if the dump will be open on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. J. Mikovich replied “yes”.
- Another member stated that some of the houses at the Lake need to be cleaned up. Some people do not take care of their homes. President Seiwel stated that we need to come up with a rule to get everyone to clean up their property.
- B. Schmitt reported that the Beautification Committee has started their restoration project at the teepees.

- C. Cochran reports that the Beautification Committee will have a bake sale at Crescent Beach on 26 June and A Chinese Auction at the annual Picnic in July. They will be asking every family to make up a basket.

10. New business

- New items in stock – fleece blanket (navy), beach towel, canvas tote bag.

11. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

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Acting Secretary