

Lake Hauto Club Meeting Minutes
19 August 2010

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

1. Approval of minutes for July

K. Snyder moved and H. Tokosh seconded to approval the minutes for July. All voted yes. Motion passed.

2. Approval to 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, approve all bills to be ratified and pay all other bills. All voted yes. Motion passed.

3. Treasurer's Report – bank accounts and budget comparison

H. Tokosh moved and C. Gangaware seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report, etc. All voted yes. Motion passed.

K. Snyder asked whether the Treasurer's Report should be up to the date of the meeting. A. Higgins replied that it should be to the last day of the month to coincide with the bank statements.

4. Legal

D. Seiwell stated that H. Tokosh (with President Seiwell's approval) asked our Solicitor whether we needed to send out ballots for the election of three open positions on the Board of Directors. Our Solicitor recommended that because we have no other process to conduct an election, the ballot should be sent out

D. Seiwell reports that we have been able to recoup a nice amount on delinquent members. Things are going well.

5. Correspondence

C. Gangaware moved and K. Snyder seconded to accept Thomas Wells and Sheila Bistany as new members. All voted yes. Motion passed.

6. Committee Reports

6a. Recreation – A. Higgins gave a report on the picnic. Reported that the Anniversary Celebration is ongoing. Saturday movie nights are a big success.

6b. Water Quality – C. Gangaware reported there was a sewer line break on Great Oaks Drive on Saturday, the 14th. The leak was traced to the end of the road project on Acorn and Great Oaks Drive. There was trouble with a drain connection. A pressurized pipe broke and sewage leaked into the lake. All beaches were closed until Tuesday morning, at which time the beaches tested okay and they were reopened. Subsequent samples were taken and tested good. Rush Township and DEP were notified and we will be getting a report from them. There will be a citation; but C.

Gangaware does not know who will be responsible, LHC or Rush Township. There was a small fish kill associated with the spill.

B. Schmitt asked if Hawk Mt. Labs will be doing another test. C. Gangaware replied “no”. Pottsville Testing Labs did the test.

6c. Building Plans – K. Snyder reported that he approved one rotten tree to be cut down.

6d. Insurance – Nothing to report.

6e. Security –D. Seiwell reported that a majority of the Board held a Security meeting before the regularly scheduled monthly meeting. After reviewing the security reports from Jim Henry Investigations, five parties will be sent citations for violations of our Rules and Regulations.

6f. Building, Grounds, Beaches, Maintenance – K. Snyder reported that G. Makovec is asking members who are putting in macadam driveways to put a small swale at the end of the driveway where the driveway meets the road to avoid water from running over the road in the winter causing ice to form.

6g. Roads – No report.

6h. Fish – No report.

6i. Docks – K. Snyder reported that they are working on docks for zero beach.

6j. Dam – H. Tokosh reported that our maintenance men are working on the sides and floor of the spillway and also on the upstream face of the dam. They have a problem with access to the south side of the dam because they cannot go across the wetlands. The railroad dug out the riprap which we were originally asked to install and put in a berm by the tracks. So we no longer have access to our dam from the south shore.

7. Old Business

Topics discussed

K. Snyder says we need to examine all the phone lines to see if we can save some money here.

K. Snyder spoke with Dr. Meade about the sign problem and they have a good working relationship.

B. Schmitt reports that Rush Township wants to establish a better working relationship with LHC. He asked them to trim the trees from Route 54 down to our boundary line at the west entrance. B. Schmitt asked PPL to keep the vegetation trimmed at their substation. The Beautification Committee is going to have a wreath sale coming up. The Beautification Committee is going to take a trip around the community to see what needs to be done.

8. Club Member’s Discussion

Topics Discussed

The need to inform Security of the rules and regulations concerning recreation vehicles

The survey concerning the gates needs more information
The current state of the budget
Putting a bulletin board at the east entrance
How much will the gates cost?
Acquiring another expense when we don't have the money
Member wanted to know what was happening in his circle. Shots being fired, delinquents using the lake
Where do you park when you want to fish off the breast of the dam.
Extending the fishing docks

9. New Business

Next meeting date for LHC will be on Thursday, 23 September 2010. Reorganization will be at 6:30 with the regular monthly meeting at 7:00 p.m.

K. Snyder moved and C. Gangaware seconded that all recreation vehicles/equipment have only one sticker. All voted yes. Motion carried.

K. Snyder moved and B. Schmitt seconded that beginning next year, when a member picks up his sticker for his Watercraft, he needs to read Section B - Watercraft of the Rules and Regulations concerning Watercraft at LHC. He then needs to sign and date the form affirming that he has read the rules and will abide by them. A copy of the signed form will be given to that member registering his Watercraft. All voted yes. Motion passed.

K. Snyder moved and H. Tokosh seconded that beginning next year, when a member picks up his sticker for his Recreational Vehicle(s), he needs to read Section C – Snowmobiles, Motorized & Miscellaneous Recreation Vehicles at LHC. He then needs to sign and date the form affirming that he has read the rules and will abide by them. A copy of the signed form will be given to that member registering his Recreation Vehicle. All voted yes. Motion passed.

10. Club Member's Discussion

Topics Discussed

How do you get a Lake Hauto sticker for a boat when there is no PA registration on that boat?
Does the closed circuit TV still work?

11. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Althea M. Higgins
Acting Secretary