

LAKE HAUTO CLUB
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MONTHLY MEETING
April 19, 2012

Present: Ken Snyder, Bill Schmitt, Cindy Cochran, Jamie Kane, George Demetriades, Jennifer Lavine
Presiding: Ken Snyder
Absent: George Makovec
Excused: Chester Gangaware, Paul Whitley

VICE-PRESIDENTS REMARKS:

1. We have sent out the bids and 4-5 contractors came to the walk through. Whatever bids are received for White Oak Road, part of Hemlock and Fern Terrace will be opened on April 30, 2012.
2. Greenwood has not paid the \$1500.00 for use of the road. They are requesting a breakdown of how the figured was determined. J. Kane will be working on the calculations.
3. The new maintenance employee was hired last month and is working out.
4. Will be getting new playground equipment for Eastwood. This will be explained later in the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR MARCH MEETING

B. Schmitt made a motion, seconded by C. Cochran, to accept the March minutes. All in favor, motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR APRIL SPECIAL MEETING

G. Demetriades made a motion, seconded by J. Lavine, to accept the April Special meeting minutes. All in favor, motion passed.

MOTION FOR BILLS TO BE PAID, DEPOSIT ALL RECEIPTS, AND BILLS TO BE RATIFIED

A motion was made by G. Demetriades, and seconded by B. Schmitt, to accept the bills to be paid. All in favor-motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT: Read by Bill Schmitt, treasurer

A motion was made by G. Demetriades, and seconded by C. Cochran, to accept the treasurer's report. All in favor-motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

LEGAL: K. Snyder reported

1. Missy Griffith's issue is ongoing. So far we have spent about \$200.00 in attorney fees and \$2000.00 in engineering fees. The Board has decided not to have a meeting with the attorneys. We will go ahead with the drainage plans that our engineer did.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. G. Demetriades read the letters that were received opposing the rule changes made the March meeting. K. Snyder explained that 20% of the membership would need to oppose a rule change to have it go out for a vote.
2. A motion was made by J. Kane, seconded by G. Demetriades, to approve the membership of Ryan Barwis. All in favor, motion carried.

RECREATION: (Jennifer Lavine)

1. The Egg Hunt was held on April 17 due to the weather on the Mach 31st. About 60 children participated. It was a good day.
2. There will be Picnic planning meeting on April 29th at 1:00 PM in the club office. Looking for volunteers.
3. Looking to Purchase new playground equipment for Eastwood Beach for under \$3000.00. Need to make the equipment safer.
4. Crescent Beach will be started shortly. Rocks have been delivered.

WATER QUALITY (K. Snyder reported.)

1. Water is not being tested yet.

SECURITY (Ken Snyder)

1. There was a problem with the power to the cameras at east entrance. B. Schmitt reported that problem just fixed today.
2. Have hired Jim Henry Security with the same schedule as last year and within the budgeted amount.

BUILDING PLANS: (Chester Gangaware)

1. No report
2. K. Snyder reported that we did receive 2 plans for pavilions. It was discussed at the workshop. Read the rules and reported to the board the next day. Nothing was decided. Tabled to next workshop.

INSURANCE (K. Snyder)

1. No response from Tamaqua Insurance with new figures.

BUILDING & GROUNDS: (Bill Schmitt)

1. All docks are in. Had a few problems.
2. Normal spring maintenance. Worked at Eastwood and now are at Oakwood.
3. PennDOT sold us a tractor trailer load of mulch for the picnic areas from their project on Rt. 54.
4. Branding the new wooden picnic tables.
5. B. Schmitt turned in his letter of resignation as the Maintenance Committee chairperson. K. Snyder will take over the responsibilities for the next 5 months until the election.
6. B. Schmitt will continue as treasurer, a part of the green team and as a member of the Beautification Committee.
7. Have gotten about 5 groups in to clear the greenbelt areas. It is a slow process.
8. B Schmitt recommended renting a chipper after the big pieces are removed.
9. K. Snyder asked that the board members email mail him with any concerns and not go directly to the employees.

ROADS: (Jamie Kane)

1. Bids are due back by April 30th.
2. Potholes are being attacked a few at a time. Call office if you see any potholes that need to be addressed.
3. Some pipes along Lake Drive have broken thorough. We are in contact with the contractor that did the blacktopping last year.

FISH: (Jamie Kane)

1. April 28th is the Children's Fishing Derby.
2. Will be shutting down Lake Drive between Great Oaks Drive and Dogwood Lane for a few hours. Fishing at Birch Pools will be just for the kids for 1 week. Starting on May 6th it will be open for everyone to fish. Volunteers needed.
3. Want to replace some breeder fish this year. Supplier is having trouble obtaining blue gills.

DOCKS- (K. Snyder reported))

1. All the docks are in.

DAM- (K. Snyder reporting)

1. Hope to finish road when we get the new back hoe. The dirt is there.

SPECIAL PROJECTS: (Cindy Cochran and Bill Schmitt)

1. Will be planting soon.
2. Thank you to everyone who participated with the candy sale. Made about \$500-\$600.00.
3. Bake Sale scheduled for June 30th.

OLD BUSINESS:

Nothing.

DISCUSSION FROM THE FLOOR:

1. Frank Genter mentioned that he received solicitation in the mail from Purple Heart. K. Snyder told him that we cannot control direct mail.
2. Dan Slegal questioned about the lots that have cleaned up the big trees but left the smaller stuff. Board sent out a soft letter and it will have to decide on a second letter. B. Schmitt mentioned that there may be grant money to make a community fire safe.
3. Discussion held about renting a chipper and making it available to the members to use for a fee. Will be discussed at the workshop.
4. Bonnie Kopie questioned what was decided about removing the tree on her property. Board decided not to cut down the tree because it is not on club property.
5. Dick Jacobs questioned the new sign regarding "All Contractors must register". Office is not open 7 days a week. K. Snyder said that the contractors must obtain the permit when the office is open. There is just a small fee for the permit. Contractors need to be licensed. If they do not obtain the permit, the member is responsible. This does not apply to vendors.
6. Bob Davidovich questioned about the building permits. He wanted to know if the board looks at the property prior to issuing a permit.

NEW BUSINESS

1. A motion was made by B. Schmitt, seconded by G. Demetriades, to replace the current New Holland TC-40 with a New Holland Model 555E (1999) back hoe with 4 wheel drive, 2354 hours. The price of the new back hoe is \$28,500.00. Would still owe \$4929.00 more after the trade-in. Roll call vote: YES – B. Schmitt, G. Demetriades, C. Cochran, J. Lavine, and J. Kane. NO – none. All in favor, motion passed.

CLUB MEMBER DISCUSSION

1. Bob Davidovich questioned about the decision regarding the pavilions and the one that he wants to put in. K. Snyder read the rule in the covenants regarding only permitting a single family dwelling with an attached garage. Bob questioned when we are going to enforce that. Bob felt it should be more important what it will look like. Discussion held. This will be discussed at the next workshop.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by G. Demetriades, seconded by J. Lavine, to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Kim Thomas
Secretary