

## LAKE HOLIDAY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

November 20, 2018

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President George Leidolf at 7:05 PM. We then recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 2. ROLL CALL:

Members present: President George Leidolf, Vice President Jay Wiegman, Treasurer Greg Wasson, Secretary Dorothy Fleming, Directors Michael Ivanauskas, Jim Bianchi, Ahren Lehner and General Manager Jon Bouxsein.

### 3. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER MEETING

President George Leidolf asked if everyone had an opportunity to review the minutes of the October 2018 meeting. Director Michael Ivanauskas made a motion to accept the minutes. Motion was seconded by Director James Bianchi. Motion passed unanimously.

### 4. PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

President George Leidolf gave the following address:

It's been interesting to listen to the marina work boat cruising the east side of the lake the last week. The work pontoon makes unique sounds as it breaks a path through the ice. We haven't seen evidence of global warming the last half of October and the first half of November. I do remember an October, years ago, when ice formed on the lake and I could walk albeit very gingerly around our pontoon tied to our dock. But that ice melted within a day or so and did not return until later in the year. Many people were caught unprepared for this cold early weather. People have been struggling to remove boats, lifts, and docks.

I urge everyone to treat all lake ice as thin until it has been tested. A good method to test the ice is with another person. Only go onto the ice if its edge is firm. Wear a floatation device and carry a rope so you can be pulled out if the ice breaks. This assumes that you and your friend are not walking together. Chip a hole in the ice with an ice spud (aka chisel) or something similar. Use a measuring device to determine the thickness of the ice. Generally, ice is safe if it is 4 – 6 inches thick. Keep in mind that ice is not of a uniform thickness. We have springs and current in our lake that can undermine the ice making it unsafe. I recall one year we had ice about 9 inches thick yet only 1 – 2 inches thick just a yard away. A minimum of 5 inches is required for a snowmobile. "Recognize that ice will never be completely safe." A good source of more information can be found at <https://www.wikihow.com/Know-When-Ice-is-Safe>.

The Citation Committee needs a few more people. This committee holds meetings, as required, on the second Wednesday of the month. People accused of violating Lake Holiday rules or regulations have the right to a hearing at which they may appeal the citation or offer extenuating circumstances that would warrant a suspension or reduction of the associated fine. The committee then determines the validity of the appeal. Committee members need not attend every meeting as long as three or more are available. A few more members are needed to ensure that three or more are available when required.

The LHPOA election for three directors to serve the 2019-2020 terms resulted in Jay Wiegman, Ray Uzumecki, and James Bianchi winning a seat. Joe Kotalik, Jody Otto, and myself did not win.

Congratulations to Jay, Ray, and James. My condolences to Joe and Jody. I have every confidence that the new board will act in the best interests of the entire community.

I am thankful for the privilege and honor of serving on the Board of Directors since 2004. I thank all who voted for me. I want to thank the General Manager, Lake Holiday staff, and the board of directors for all their assistance. I would like to continue to serve the community on the Lake and Citation Committees and as treasurer of the Fishing Club.

#### 5. TREASURER REPORT:

Treasurer Greg Wasson gave the following report.

General Fund total revenues for the month ending October 31st 2018 were \$1,876,535 and total expenses and transfers were \$1,707,542 resulting in revenues in excess of expenses and transfer by \$168,993. Expenditures for capital items were \$43,816, which results in revenues in excess of expenses, transfers, and capital expenditures by \$125,178.

Total cash and investments were \$2,795,792 and total fund balances (Association equity) were \$6,041,654 of which approximately \$2,929,885 is restricted for the Infrastructure Fund, Capital Reserve Fund, Lake Maintenance Fund, Dam Repair Fund, and Operating Reserve Fund.

#### 6. MANAGER REPORT:

General Manager Jon Bouxsein gave the following report

**Lake Survey-** On October 25<sup>th</sup>, Peter Berrini, his assistant and I conducted a survey of the main lake from the inlet to GA 1595 cove. The survey was to ascertain how much sediment has settled in this area and is dredging warranted at this time. All measurement locations were GPS marked for future location accuracy. Dredging is not commonly started until sedimentation is at least 2 feet deep as this is the most efficient use of time and money. We will have more information when Mr. Berrini supplies us with the finished report.

**Dam inspection-** The dam was inspected as scheduled and a thorough check of all areas was done by our engineering firm Vasconcelles Engineering Corp also on site was a representative from the Ill DNR Office of Water Resources. No areas of concern were readily identified and we will now wait for the final report. This report will contain survey measurements of the structure to ascertain whether the structure has changed since last year's inspection. Also included in the final report will be data collected and analyzed from our piezometers and inclinometers. All data collected as well as visual observations of the entire structure and downstream areas where accessible will give us an idea how well our dam is doing and what maintenance, if any, will need to be completed before the next inspection.

**Docks and Bathrooms-** Bathrooms are being closed and all docks are being pulled from the lake for the season.

**Proxy and Budget Mailing-** By this time you should have received your copy of the 2019 budget and your proxy ballots. Each member in good standing is encouraged to vote on approval or disapproval of the proposed 2019 budget. You may either vote in person at the Annual Meeting scheduled for December 9<sup>th</sup>, or by proxy. If you cannot attend the meeting and wish to cast a vote you have several options. You may either assign your vote to the Board of Directors or to any member in good standing. You may mark your ballot for, against or you may abstain. You may also leave the ballot unmarked. If you assign your proxy to the Board of Directors they will vote your ballot as marked or for the proposed budget if left unmarked. **If assigning the proxy to the Board of Directors they must be delivered to the Lake Holiday office, either in person or by mail, no**

**later than Friday December 7<sup>th</sup> at 4PM.** If you assign your proxy to a member in good standing you must give your ballot to that person. The Annual Meeting, as required by the By-laws of the Association, will be held at the lodge on Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. The purpose of the annual meeting is to vote on the budget and no other business will be conducted or considered.

7. PRIVATE SECURITY REPORT: Chief Matt Clifford gave the following report from October 16<sup>th</sup> thru, November 20, 2018

**CALLS TO SERVICE**

- 10 ASSIST TO LSCO SHERIFF'S DEPT.
- 5 ASSIST OUTSIDE AGENCY
- 6 ASSIST RESIDENT
- 4 WELL BEING CHECK
- 7 CALLS OF SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY
- 3 CALLS OF SUSPICIOUS PERSON
- 2 CALLS OF SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE
- 37 - TOTAL CALLS TO SERVICE

LH PASS CHECKS / FISHING LICENSE CHECKS

- LH PASSES CHECKED IN THE GREEN AREAS / BEACH AREAS – 28 TOTAL
- 11 – FISHING LICENSES CHECKED

CITATIONS

- 29 – SPEEDING
- 1 – FIREWORKS
- 1 – LEASH RULE
- 1 – UNLICENSED VEHICLE
- 1 – SIGNS
- 33 CITATIONS TOTAL

WARNING CITATIONS

- 16 – SPEEDING
- 7 – STOP SIGN VIOLATION
- 1 – SIGNS
- 2 – LH VEHICLE STICKER
- 3 – UNLICENSED VEHICLE
- 29 WRITTEN WARNINGS TOTAL

Between OCTOBER 15 and NOVEMBER 19, one electronic speed radar sign was posted and collected the following data from the 600 block of LASALLE DRIVE on the Somonauk Side:

- 599 vehicles were clocked travelling between 10 and 30 MPH
- 1,912 vehicles were clocked travelling between 31 and 40 MPH
- 42 vehicles were clocked travelling between 41 and 61 MPH

During this same time frame, one electronic speed radar sign was posted and collected the following data from the 1700 block of Suzy Street on the Sandwich Side:

- 1,395 vehicles were clocked travelling between 10 and 30 MPH

3,036 vehicles were clocked travelling between 31 and 40 MPH  
61 vehicles were clocked travelling between 41 and 61 MPH

In late October, a resident from the 1700 block of Doris Road reported fireworks in the area. LHPS located three juveniles throwing fireworks in the roadway near resident driveways. A citation was issued and parents were notified.

In early November, LHPS took a report regarding a dog v. dog attack in the area of the 1600 block of Paulette Court. LSCO was notified of the incident.

#### 8. CLUB REPORTS:

##### LADIES CLUB:

Secretary Dorothy Fleming read the following report submitted by Myrna Skopek Co-Chair of the Ladies Club.

There were 38 members in attendance at the November meeting. Chairperson for the committee was Arlene Niemann and Deb Jozwiak was the committee member. They were assisted by Cathy Marquett and Jackie Moravik who were subs.

Arlene Chrt and Irene Eichert were each recognized for being Ladies Club members for 25 years; Connie Kauffman was recognized for being a 31-year member. New members in 2018 (Chris Kroll and Patty Seum) were honored. Carole Strock who joined today was welcomed and will be officially honored in 2019.

Monies for the Christmas party and dues for 2019 were collected. Members were reminded that instead of exchanging gifts it would be nice to donate the money we would have spent on gifts to Our Sharing Pantry. The Pantry prefers monetary donations rather than food items so they can purchase exactly what is needed and get more value for their money

The Special Projects committee is actively pursuing how many new reflective street signs are needed. They have completed one side of the lake are working on the other side. They will also be investigating the cost and exact number of body cameras needed for Security. It is a possibility the body cameras could be one of our special projects.

A vote was taken and passed unanimously to make the same annual donations to the community as we have done in the past.

Julie Inman presented the program which was on the benefits of chair yoga. It was a great audience participation program and very informational to those in attendance.

The Ladies Club also sponsors Canasta, Monday Bridge and Couples Bridge. For details contact Cathy Marquett for Canasta, DeAnne Zaeske for Couples Bridge and Lois Hamilton for Monday Bridge. The dates are listed in the monthly calendar of the Lake Holiday News

The next meeting will be our Christmas Party on December 11, 2018, and is for members and their guests only. Please note that our Christmas Party starts at NOON. The next meeting open to all Lake Holiday ladies will be January 8, 2019. All ladies residing at Lake Holiday are welcome to attend. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 12:30 PM at the Lodge.

FISHING CLUB: No report

##### RECREATION COMMITTEE:

Secretary Dorothy Fleming read the report submitted by Nikki Lorenzen:

Santa will be visiting the Lodge on December 2nd from 2-4pm. We'll have a photo op and a craft for the kiddos! The chili cook off will be January 26th from 5-9 pm. More details to follow. The

reminder of the 2019 Calendar of Events is in the works. These events are not possible without the help of the community. If you'd like to sign up to volunteer, please email to [lakeholidayrec@gmail.com](mailto:lakeholidayrec@gmail.com).

**NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP:** Secretary Dorothy Fleming read the report submitted by James Swanson, Northville Township Supervisor

Over the last month I attended three conferences concerning several topics related to my duties as supervisor of our township.

The IPWAMAN conference was about disaster planning and safety. My take away from this conference was the chain of command and paper work needed to manage a disaster if one occurred in our Township. As a member of IPWAMAN, we receive their help with all of this paper work if a disaster happens. We are a member of this organization through the efforts of our Road Commissioner John Middleton who also attended this conference.

Next was General Assistance where there was more information on the many forms needed for the proper control of this program. The third conference/training was the Township Officials of Illinois where I attended several classes on new laws and responsibilities that affected our Township.

I also attended the County Assessor's meeting for all of the Township Assessors in LaSalle County. At this meeting the County Assessor handed out information on changes on how assessments will be handled for Camp Ground and Mobile Home parks. There was also a review on how work completed by the Township Assessors will be handled in the future along with deadlines for completion of that work.

At our Township monthly meeting we discussed the levy, several road projects, upcoming snow management plans and reviewed/approved and paid all of the Road Districts/Township bills. As our Township Supervisor one of my duties on Election Day is to check all of the voting locations in our Township and ensure they are open and running. I am pleased to report that all the voting locations were open and running. I wish all of you a very happy Thanksgiving,

**FINANCE COMMITTEE:** No report

**ENGINEERING COMMITTEE:** No report

**LAKE COMMITTEE:** No report

**RULES COMMITTEE:** No report

**LANDSCAPE:** Rich Johnson, Chairman of the Landscape Committee gave the following report:

The pruning guide lines for the landscapes of the Lake Holiday entrances have been completed and the landscapes were put to bed for the 2018 season. Our work force did a great job pruning the plants. As for the wetland burn at Beach #3 the weather did not cooperate so we will try again next year in March. A member of our committee, Forrest Rackmyer, has been a great help in moving this project along.

**VARIANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE:** No report

**10. NEWSPAPER DEADLINE:** NOV 15 AND DEC. 10

## 11. MEMBER FORUM:

President George Leidolf then went over the Agenda items and invited the attending members to comment on these items only.

### Old Business:

1. Utilities Inc. Water Rate Increase Request – As reported last month, the Administrative Law Judge has issued a proposed order reducing the water company's requested rate increases. There was no ruling on the request to have one set charge for all meter sizes. I don't anticipate any changes in the foreseeable future and therefore propose closing this item.
2. Road Below Dam – The contracts have been signed. The contractor must complete the improvements by the end of 2019. I propose closing this item until its status changes.

### New business:

1. Burning Rule Addition (no burning on holidays) – Prohibit open burning on New Year's Day, Fourth of July, Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, and Christmas Day.
2. 2019 Triathlon – We have a request to host the swim event in the July 28<sup>th</sup> 2019 Holiday Man Triathlon.
3. Change January Work Session Date – New Year's Day falls on January 1, 2019. We need to choose an alternative date.

A member, Ray Uzumcki, Lot 1592, gave the following comment. After receiving my latest water bill I decided to convert the old and new costs to a full month of water service under the old and new rates for comparison. The Utilities Inc. water usage rate has gone from .00571 per gallon to .01007 per gallon a 76% increase. My water usage cost for 3100 gallons (the norm for two adults) at the old rate would be \$17.70. The new rate for 3100 gallons was \$31.22 an increase of \$13.52 or 76%. When I add back the residential water base charge of \$24.73, the total water cost under the old rate was \$42.43 and under the new rate \$55.95 or an increase of \$13.52 or 32% artificially reducing the rate percentage due to low usage. In actuality the billing system enables the costs to elevate rapidly with any increase in water usage. It was my understanding that the new rate was going to be increased to around 24% in reality we are looking at 32% at a minimum. That's based on reduced usage two retired people living in the house. What happens with a family of three or four kids, their water usage is going to be much higher especially in the warmer months with outside water use. The cost of a reseeded lawn or swimming pool will be significant. The billing arrangement (method) increases costs exponentially with the increase of water usage. In my view we were deceived as to the actual impact of the increase to the total expense. I would suggest that when the next increase becomes an issue we actually run the numbers to better assess the true cost.

Kristin Wade, the organizer of the upcoming 2019 Triathlon stated that the date they are looking at is Sunday, July 29<sup>th</sup>. She thanked us again for supporting this activity. At this time, the route should be the same as in the past.

No one else came forward so we proceeded into the business part of the meeting.

## 12. OLD BUSINESS:

### 1. UTILITIES INC. WATER RATE INCREASE

Vice President Jay Wiegman stated we have requested a summary letter from our attorney Mr. Balough who handled this case. Once that is received, it will be published for the residents. At this time, I make the motion that we take this topic off the Agenda. Motion was seconded by Director Michael Ivanauskas. Motion passed unanimously. If and when something new on this subject comes up we will bring it to the attention of the members.

### 2. ROAD BELOW THE DAM

Director Ahren Lehner stated that we have a contract with Superior Seawalls with the prices secured. They have till December of 2019 to complete the job. At this time with nothing pending on this subject, I make the motion that we remove it from the Agenda until we have something new to present. As soon as this happens we will put it back on the Agenda. Motion was seconded by Director James Bianchi.

### 13. NEW BUSINESS

#### 1. Burning Rule Addition (no burning on holidays)

President George Leidolf stated that we have a slight change to the burning rule. We have had requests from the residents to add holidays to the burning restriction, as this is the time they have company and the smoke can be offensive. The rule presently reads.

#### 6.04 Campfires and Open Burning

1. Campfires are permitted at any time the weather conditions are favorable. "Campfire" is defined as a small outdoor fire intended for recreation or cooking, using only clean, seasoned, untreated wood.

2. "Open burning" is defined as the outdoor burning of yard waste that includes leaves, weeds, brush, stumps, tree trimmings, grass, shrubbery or other vegetative debris. Except for campfires, open burning shall only be permitted on Tuesdays and Thursdays between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Saturdays between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the months of January through October when wind and weather conditions are such as to minimize adverse effects and not create a health hazard. Unrestricted open burning is permitted during the months of November and December provided wind and weather conditions are such as to minimize adverse effects and not create a health hazard. Open burning is prohibited on Sundays year round.

3. No person shall cause or allow open burning of garbage, building debris, refuse, construction waste, wet leaves, green vegetation or other materials that emit an offensive odor.

4. No fires shall be left unattended. All ashes should be disposed of properly so as not to enter the lake. CLASS C VIOLATION

We propose to insert the following statement to cover these holidays after the Open Burning is prohibited on Sundays year round.

Open Burning is prohibited on New Year's Day, Fourth of July, Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas..

Treasurer Greg Wasson then made the motion to insert these words and publish for the residents and vote on it at the December Board meeting. Motion was seconded by Director Michael Ivanauskas and passed unanimously.

#### 2. 2019 Triathlon

Director Ahren Lehner stated that we would like to hold the 2019 year Triathlon on Sunday July 28<sup>th</sup>. This is an event that we have supported for a number of years and the members look forward to this event. Therefore I propose we set the date for Sunday July 28<sup>th</sup>. Motion was seconded by Director Michael Ivanauskas and passed unanimously. President George Leidolf stated that this also give us the opportunity to showcase our community. The organizers of this event did bring up a concern as to the parking. Many vehicles are also here on Saturday July 27<sup>th</sup> and that makes parking difficult for anyone who rents the lodge that day. It is the decision to still permit rental but forewarn them about the parking constraints.

#### 3. Change January Work Session Date

Secretary Dorothy Fleming stated that we have become aware that in the 2019 year, our Work Session which is held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month falls on New Year's Day. Therefore I propose that we move that date to Wednesday January 2<sup>nd</sup>. At this time all Board members are available for this meeting. Motion was seconded by Treasurer Greg Wasson and passed unanimously.

14. DECLINE TO PURCHASE PROPERTIES AND APPROVE NEW MEMBERS:

Vice President Jay Wiegman read the following applications to purchase property approved as of Nov. 20, 2018

Vacant 61	\$ 23,000
House 215	\$315,000
House 350	\$100,850
House 498	\$216,000
House 1011	\$180,000
House 1251	\$160,000
House 1503	\$345,000
House 1602	\$232,000
House 1631	\$172,000
Vacant 1634	\$ 27,000
House 1844	\$172,900
Vacant 1989	\$ 23,000

I make a motion to decline to purchase the lots as read and to approve for membership the individuals proposed in accordance with the provisions of the Lake Holiday Property Owners Association; and, upon successful real estate closings and the payment of all required fees and assessments. Motion was seconded by Secretary Dorothy Fleming. Motion passed unanimously.

15. APPROVE NEW RENTERS:

Vice President Jay Wiegman read the following property to be approved for rental as of Nov. 20, 2018

House 1008	Rental
House 1445	Rental

He then made the motion to approve the lease of these residential lots as read. Motion was seconded by Treasurer Greg Wasson. Motion passed unanimously.

16. ADJOURN OFFICIAL MEETING:

Motion to adjourn was made by Director Michael Ivanauskas and seconded by Treasurer Greg Wasson. Motion passed unanimously.

Member Forum:

A member stated that he called the Water Company and inquired of a Justin did not have last name about the Water meter charge. He was under the impression that there might be a one price charge for all water meter sizes. He was informed, by the water company, that our attorney did not press the matter.

No one else came forward so we adjourned the meeting.



Respectfully submitted,  
Dorothy Fleming, Corporate Secretary  
12 Members in attendance