

LGPOA – BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, April 15, 2009

1. Call to Order/Roll Call
 - A. Present: Scott Wall / Julie DeRose / Craig Benham / Doug Earle / Terry Gartside / Kammy Frayre
 - B. Excused Absence: Stu Shafer / Chadd Smith
2. Guests: PLM: Steve Hanson, Joe and Janet Barberio / Diane Holka / Stu King
3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings:
 - A. Motion and second to Approve Minutes of March 18, 2009. Approved
 - B. Motion and second to Approve Minutes of Special Board Meeting of April 8, 2009. Seconded. Approved.
4. Treasurer's Report
 - A. A current financial report dated April 14, 2009 was presented.
 - B. Doug Earl questioned why there was such a large discrepancy (\$245 vs. \$19) between the bills for the North and West pumps. Craig thought one might be an estimate and one might be an actual meter read. Doug would like these numbers to be monitored in the future.
5. Appoint Committees
 - A. Building Control: Chadd Smith (chair), Stu Shafer, Ken Fields
 - B. Beach / Parks: Terry Gartside (chair), Stu King, Diane Holka
 - C. Lake Level / Water Quality: Craig Benham (chair), Stu Shafer, Tim Walter
 - D. City Liaison: Doug Earl (chair)
 - E. Newsletter and Information: Melissa DeMong, Dave Zyble, and Scott Wall
 - F. Welcoming and Neighbor Relations Committee: Julie DeRose (chair), Kelly Smith, and Barb Hamm
 - G. Compliance: Stu Shafer (chair), Kammy Frayre, and Ken Fields
6. Committee's Report
 - A. Building Control: Stu Shafer
 - 1) Stu absent, deferred until next meeting
 - B. Beach / Parks: Terry Gartside
 - 1) Repairs to the Tic Tac Toe (Chadd / Craig): Chad absent, deferred until next meeting
 - 2) Path: Rope / Lighting (Terry): Terry talked with Mr. Olsen at the City of DeWitt about adding lighting to the trail. Mr. Olsen said he wasn't sure who owned the trail – the city LGPOA. Doug Earl will follow up on the issue of ownership. In the meantime, Terry has asked three contractors to submit quotes beginning next week and he will provide an update to the board at the next meeting. Terry will also notify trail neighbors that lighting will be installed in the future.
 - 3) River Pump Frame & Electric estimates (Terry): DEQ advised that no license was needed to remove the pump as long as it was only resting on the lake bottom. Terry has three contractors bidding on the job. Contractors must go down John and Terri LaRose's driveway to remove the pump and the weight of the equipment will literally destroy the

driveway. John LaRose mentioned that if the work was done this year he was okay with replacing the driveway at his own expense because he was already planning to do so.

- 4) Caps on Equipment (Chadd): Chad absent, deferred until next meeting
- 5) Brage Golding did not submit a bill as last months notes indicated. They did submit a bill following last months meeting and Mr. Golding will be paid \$500.00 as approved last year.
- 6) The West Beach parking lot will be worked on, along with the West beach entrance, edging, and sand will be added. The East Beach doesn't need additional sand but current sand will be moved around to more appropriate locations.
- 7) East Cove cleanup should be addressed next month, along with other lake debris issues. Residents will probably need to be notified if Muck Buster is used.
- 8) Two trees at the north end of the lake, hanging in the water, will be removed sometime in the near future.
- 9) Austin Holka and Stu King will be receiving Thank You notes from the board for helping with park cleanup and will also be recognized on the website. Around 900 pounds of debris were removed by Terry, Austin, and Stu.

C. Lake Level / Water Quality

- 1) Stu asked Tim to turn the pumps on, however there is an electrical issue at the North pump, which is being explored.
- 2) Steve Hanson from PLM was asked to give an overview of services and answer questions from the board.
 - a) Steve began by providing a tentative treatment schedule for 2009 and commented that Milfoil was a problem last year, and will be monitored in the future. If testing indicates that the lake doesn't need treatment, then it won't be treated.
 - b) Appropriate signs will be posted according to the action taken and Terry Gartside will be notified by Steve.
 - c) At the beginning of the season, a postcard will be sent to lake front residents notifying them of the treatment dates and what products may potentially be used.
 - d) Doug asked about the sonar treatment that cost the board extra and was found to be defective. Scott wasn't sure, but he thought the board actually paid less for treatments last year than usual.
 - e) Scott had not yet received the results for the 4/6 water quality test.
 - f) Muck Buster wasn't available for application last year due to a snag in the licensing process between DEQ and Agriculture. This year that option is available as a treatment option. Steve indicated his company has seen some positive results in reducing sediment in areas where leaves collect. It costs approximately \$500 to test a few areas. It is a combination of enzymes and bacteria that facilitates the natural breakdown of sediment. Depending upon the

organic sediment present, it could be tried in the channel. It probably would not be effective in clearing up 4 feet of muck. There are no official measurements of effectiveness other than visual survey.

- g) Steve has not heard rumors of a new bacteria found in small warm water lakes.
- h) Steve was asked if his company has looked at biological vs. chemical agents for treatment. According to Steve, the effectiveness of biological agents (aquatic weevils) is not guaranteed and often customers were stressed and disappointed by the results.
- i) Steve was asked about Grass Carp. Grass Carp are illegal in Michigan, and are actually harmful since they tend to eat all the good vegetation before the Milfoil. According to Steve herbicides are still the best option.

D. City Liaison: no updates

E. Newsletter and Information Committee

- 1) Articles on the new members need to be submitted to Melissa by May 15, 100 words or less.

F. Welcoming / Neighbor Relations Committee: no updates

G. Compliance: no updates

H. BURRAC:

- 1) Continuing to move forward on the comparisons between subdivisions
- 2) Next meeting April 21, representative from a survey company invited

7. Unfinished Business

A. Shed litigation status: Stu absent, update at next meeting

B. Park signs, dogs, fireworks, and other issues

- 1) The old, rusty sign by the East park was removed.
- 2) **A motion was made not to allow dogs in the park. Seconded. Approved.**
- 3) A motion was made to leave the signs "as is". Seconded. Approved.
- 4) Craig will get an estimate from a sign company for Terry, asking folks to help rake the beach.
- 5) Terry and Janet Barberio will discuss ideas and possible re-development of Candy Cane Park.

C. Order cement repair and survey for overflow: Stu absent, update at next meeting

D. New signature cards completed.

8. New Business

A. Dave Zyble, Kathy Thelen, and Dan Skoritch will be thanked for their service in the newsletter.

9. Member Comments

A. Stu King felt it would be a PR bonus for the Board to dismiss the current litigation

B. Janet Barberio commented that there are no minutes for the Board in the library archives since October 2008.

C. Diane Holka would like to see BURRAC surveys mailed out for resident

convenience, not handed out at a meeting that residents may not be able to attend. Scott indicated that part of the BURRAC survey company request would be the methods of administration.

10. Announcements

A. Scott mentioned he will be arriving early for all meetings in case had issues they would like to discuss.

11. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Approved May 20, 2009

/s/ Stu Shafer, Sec