

LAKE OGEMAW SUMMER RESORT ASSOCIATION

BOARD OF TRUSTES MEETING

March 18, 2023

Frank Barretta opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Rick Sinclair (present); Frank Barretta (present); George Buhler (present); Jaime Ibarra (present); Chris Palm (present); Greg Quigley (present); Susan Kiwak (present). There is a quorum.

New Business: A motion was made by Rick Sinclair to approve the minutes of the October 15, 2022 Board of Trustees meeting. Greg Quigley seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

Susan Kiwak opened discussion about replacement of the lake sign in front of clubhouse and on S. Ogemaw. A sample of sign and the prices from Sticker Genius was provided. Questions were asked about the quality, and the possibility of UV protection for the sign. It was decided that we will look into more options before making a decision. The map of lake we are using was googled on line.

Dock Lottery: Rick Sinclair stated that all funds from the dock lottery will be listed as a separate line item. The funds from the dock lottery will only be used to put the docks in and out of the water, repairs, and replacement. The worst docks will be replaced first, but the goal is to replace all docks eventually. At this time 10 docks need new boards or won't be used during the 2023 season. We have contacted Egle to see if we can get a permit to muck out Raven Park, if this is not permitted we won't put in the 3-4 docks at Raven Park.

Goose Removal: Frank Barretta stated that we have applied and should receive our permit for nest destruction, and egg removal by the end of March. At this time the DNR is not doing any goose removal/relocations due to the Avian bird flu. Since 2015 we have removed 636 eggs and 114 nest. The DNR only allows us 2-3 weeks to do our egg hunt so please consider volunteering to use your boat when the time comes.

Treasurer's Report: Frank Barretta explained the budget and stated that in the month of February the cost for general operations expense (Insurance and such) was \$5,658.44; property maintenance cost \$784.22 and we had no cost for lake maintenance. This total expense for this month is \$6,442.66. Our inflow of cash this month was \$231.13. At the present time we are hoping we will not need a spring lake spray due to the fact that we did do some preventative spraying this past fall. The General Fund savings total is \$161,893.89 and the Dam & Spillway funds total \$107,527.22 for a grand total of \$269,421.11 in savings.

A member asked why we continue to use the same lake weed spraying company. Frank stated that the company has the history of lake and knows the hot spots where that generally need to be treated, but please note that we are presently looking into some other companies.

Committee Reports:

Lake Coordinator/Dam & Spillway – Mike Seabolt and Brent Gilbert put in the bladder and take care of the board placement and removal. Right now we're starting at a perfect level as the water is now only 2" low. Last year the drought caused the lake to be down 14". Remember that EGLE dictates our lake water level.

Each year we know different weeds pop up in the lake, this is due to the water temperature and the amount of light the bottom of lake receives. The lake is very clear and very fertile. At the present time we are questioning if we should have a new lake study/survey done due to the wash out last year and see what is coming into the lake. We are looking at different companies and the approach used by each. What is the cost to improve the lake and reduce the cost of weed control, thus reducing the chemicals put into the lake.

Fish Committee – Gordon Golini planting minnows is mostly to feed the fish before spawning. The fish are healthy from eating minnows and not the small fry. At the present time Gordon does not have prices and has not determined which fish will be planted.

Chris Craib asked that we cut back on walleye, and put in croppy, bass, and shiners. Chris Lanzon wants no fat head minnows as they are an invasive species.

Men's Committee – Bob Gallehur stated that nothing has been happening but we are ready to go. We need volunteers for re-decking some of the docks, and welders. Chris Craib stated that we still need to put up 6 of the park name signs. We need a few more materials and he suggest that we use the pavilion as a chop shop to do all the cutting and prep-work. We need volunteers to help with the dock re-decking also, and we would like to get help from some of the folks renting the docks.

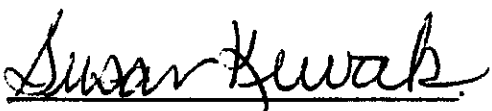
MEMBER COMMENT

Members want to know where the fish structures are located as all LOSRA funds have been used. Chris Lanzon wants transparency and suggest keeping a map in the office and only members in good standing can see it, and NO pictures are allowed. Chris Lanzon wants a vote of referendum to release information of structures to membership.

Mrs. Christenson suggest that if a fish study is done please let them use gill nets this time. She also believes we should report incidents of people going thru the ice to the DNR as it will cost them quite a bit if they have polluted lake at all. She doesn't like people using the park gates to access the lake and believes the gates at parks are too wide. Chris Craib stated that the park gates were made this width for the maintenance people to be able to access and cut lawns and do general park maintenance.

Rick Sinclair made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jaime Ibarra seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:10 am.

Respectfully Submitted;



Susan Kiwak, secretary