

LAKE HOLIDAY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
February 16, 2010

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by President Leidolf at 7:00 PM and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

2. ROLL CALL:

Members present: President George Leidolf, Vice President Cindy Kaminky, Treasurer Steve Condon, Secretary Dorothy Fleming, Directors Michael Gaydos, Greg Wasson and General Manager Jon Bouxsein. Absent: Director Michael Ivanauskus.

3. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF JANUARY MEETING

President Leidolf asked if everyone had an opportunity to review the minutes of the January 2010 meeting. Vice President Kaminky made a motion to accept the minutes seconded by Director Gaydos. Motion passed unanimously.

4. PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS:

President Leidolf gave the following address:

The Township Policing Advisory Referendum failed overall in Northville Township by a vote of 620 vs. 464. However, I have been told it did pass by a slim margin in District 6 which includes most of Lake Holiday. As a result, Township Policing can only be placed on the agenda of Northville's annual meeting in April by action of the electors 30 days prior to the meeting. If it does get on the agenda, a simple majority of the electors present at the annual meeting will determine its fate.

Some people do not understand the role of our private security and may think that we would not need them if we had Township Policing. The sheriff's deputies would enforce state and county laws. They would not enforce Lake Holiday rules. Our Security enforces our rules and regulations as well as protecting association property. We would continue to need private security.

District 6 County Board Member Bob Greenwalt has told us the county is planning a TV and computer monitor recycle day on June 19, 2010. We hope to be able to set up a collection point at the maintenance building to save people the drive to Ottawa. We will publicize this as more information comes available.

Illinois Valley Triathlon has contacted us about holding a triathlon at Lake Holiday in mid-July of this year. Your directors will be meeting with their representative in the near future to determine exactly what they have in mind. We hosted the swimming portion of a triathlon a few years back that was interesting and entertaining to our members. We need to insure that member impact is held to a minimum and that our expenses resulting from the event would be reimbursed by them.

The Vasconcelles Engineering and the Dam Committee see value in replacing the piezometers and inclinometers that have fallen into disuse for various reasons over the years. No matter which path we eventually take, modifications to prolong the dam life or replacement with a new dam, we need to know if there is any significant movement or change in the saturation of the soil at the dam.

The Association presently has a Merlin system to service its phones. The system was placed in service in 1996 and has begun to experience problems with night service and message service. We also have been unable to have a noise issue resolved, in part due to the type of line equipment used by the Merlin. Replacement parts are difficult if not impossible to locate due to the age of the system. The staff has researched several replacements and is recommending a system sold, installed and maintained by Verizon. This system utilizes a different type of line

equipment and by having it all under Verizon's control; it eliminates some of the finger pointing that occurs when problems occur with service provided by multiple vendors.

We had a complete survey of the lake sedimentation two years ago. Our decision to not dredge every year was based, in part, on that and prior surveys. We need to determine if our original decision was correct by having the northern third of the lake re-surveyed. The last survey was performed under the direction of Peter Berrini and was very thorough. He has the knowledge of the lake necessary to make a new survey and compare it to the old one. His estimate of \$3,000 to \$3,500 is within reason and could result in our being able to prolong the interval between dredging cycles.

The present high water no-wake policy was implemented approximately 19 years ago. At that time there were a number of shorelines that were not adequately stabilized. The present policy calls for the lake to be designated no-wake when the water rises eight inches above normal pool. It remains no-wake until the water level drops to four inches above normal pool. Last year's rain was among the heaviest in Illinois history. The lake was held no-wake for many days and would have remained no-wake until mid-July if we had not lifted the restriction.

We understand the original thought behind the current policy, but now almost all of the shoreline is stabilized and some feel that the policy should be changed to something simpler to understand and administer. It was proposed that the lake be designated no-wake whenever the water level is eight or more inches above normal pool and not no-wake whenever level is below eight inches above normal pool. I know that there are those that disagree and feel we should continue to use the old policy, but I truly believe this change will not result in any more damage than that which could occur using the old. We allowed unlimited use of the lake under the old policy when the level was approaching the eight inch mark. Given the current state of shoreline stabilization, soil saturation should not present more of a problem. The shoreline will be monitored to insure there are no problems with this policy change.

5. TREASURER REPORT: Treasurer Condon gave the following report:

General Fund total revenues for the month ending January 31st were \$185,312, and total expenses and transfers were \$146,428 resulting in revenues exceeding expenses and transfers by \$38,883. Expenditures for capital items were \$0, which results in revenues exceeding expenses, transfers, and capital expenditures by \$38,883.

Total cash and investments were \$1,666,084 and total fund balances (Association equity) were \$2,921,176 of which approximately \$1,293,082 is restricted for the Road Fund, Capital Reserve Fund, Lake Maintenance Fund, and Operating Reserve Fund.

6. MANAGER REPORT:

General Manager Jon Bouxsein gave the following report:

**Annual Assessments-** A reminder that dues payments must be received or postmarked by March 1st. Payments received after this date will be considered delinquent and a late fee will be applied to your account. Dues have been coming in steadily the last few weeks although we expect a flurry of activity these last two weeks.

**Office Hours-** We will be open this Saturday February 20th and Saturday February 27th, from 8 am till 4pm accepting dues payments from those members who prefer to do business in person. We ask that members who pay in person have their questionnaire and supporting information with them to speed the transaction.

**Weight Limit Restriction-** This year, as in years past, Lake Holiday will limit the weight of non emergency vehicle to 10 tons. The limit will be put into effect as soon as LaSalle County posts their roads and will be lifted when they remove their restriction. We will notify members via the sign board and channel 10 when the restriction is put into effect.

**Thaw-** We will soon start thawing out and that means it's time to start thinking about drainage within the lake. I ask each and every owner to help out by checking out the culverts under your drives to ensure they are clean of debris. Most drainage issues can be solved or minimized by proper maintenance of your culvert. Keep them clean of

debris, open on the ends and water should move through and away from your property.

**Earthquake-** On February 10, a 3.8 magnitude quake shook northern Illinois at approximately 4 am. The epicenter was located 35 miles away near Virgil, Illinois. Staff was at the dam early that morning and we completed a thorough check of the dam, spillway and downstream area for anything unusual that could be contributed to the quake. We saw nothing out of the ordinary but are continuing to closely monitor the dam.

#### 7. PRIVATE SECURITY REPORT

Chief of Security, Matt Clifford gave the following report as of January 18, 2010 thru Feb 16, 2010

CALLS TO SERVICE

9 ASSISTS TO LSCO SHERIFF'S DEPT.

4 ASSIST TO OUTSIDE AGENCIES

8 ASSIST RESIDENT

2 CANINE TRANSPORTS TO THE SANDWICH VET CLINIC

2 WELL BEING CHECK

14 CALLS OF SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY

8 CALLS OF SUSPICIOUS PERSON

9 CALLS OF SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE

TOTAL CALLS TO SERVICE

LH 2010 PASS CHECKS

LH PASSES CHECKED IN THE GREEN AREAS / BEACH AREAS

9 TOTAL

FISHING LICENSE CHECKS

6 TOTAL

CITATIONS

1 – SPEEDING

1 – LEASH RULE

1 – OFF ROAD VEHICLE

3 – INOPERABLE VEHICLE

6 TICKETS TOTAL

WARNING CITATIONS

2 – SPEEDING

11– INOPERABLE VEHICLE

13 WRITTEN WARNINGS TOTAL

In late January, a resident from Rosemary Circle reported two windows shattered on her residence while she was present. LSCO was contacted and a damage report was filed.

The stop sign located at the Campground entrance and County Line Road was found damaged. LSCO was contacted for a report and LH Maintenance replaced the sign.

In early February, a resident from Eleanor Lane reported theft of a concrete lawn decoration. The resident was advised to contact LSCO for a report.

A resident from LaSalle Drive reported an attempted break in and criminal damage to his property. The resident contacted LSCO to file a report.

LHPS went to a residence LaSalle Drive to check the well being of an elderly resident. The resident asked for assistance with a ceiling mounted fire alarm that was beeping continually. After LHPS noticed that the alarm was hard wired in the residence, it was determined that the backup battery for the smoke alarm was low and needed to be replaced. The resident was appreciative for LHPS assistance.

In the area of Holiday Drive, a resident vehicle struck an LH Maintenance plow truck. No injuries were reported and LSCO was notified for a report. An accident report was filed.

Five residents reported an earthquake on February 10, 2009 at approximately 4:00 AM. Concerned residents were advised to contact LSCO for more information.

After attending a recreational event at the Lodge, a resident Lakewood Drive reported leaving her wallet at the Lodge. LHPS located the resident's property and the wallet was returned.

#### 8. CLUB REPORTS:

Lake Holiday Ladies Club: DeAnne Zaeske, President of the Ladies Club gave the following report:

The Lake Holiday Ladies Club met on Tuesday, February 16, at 12:30 pm with 37 members in attendance. This is a week later than usual due to a snow storm. The theme was a birthday party in honor of our past presidents.

The June 8th outing will be a trip to Starved Rock with a luncheon buffet and show will consist of Patsy Cline music.

Members approved a donation of \$100 to the Lake Holiday Fishing club for their kid's tournament in May.

The Craft Group meets weekly at 9:00 am on Monday morning at the Lodge. Anyone is welcome; experience is not necessary. Items are sold during the annual home tour.

The Club is seeking homes for the September 18th Home Tour. All proceeds from this tour are used to benefit our community.

Following the meeting, Mike Jump gave an informative talk on income and investment options.

The March 9th program will be "Women's Health Issues" by Dr. James Hawkins.

Lake Holiday women are welcome to visit and/or join the Ladies Club on the second Tuesday of each month at 12:30 PM.

Fishing Club: No official report: President George Leidolf announced that there will be a Fishing Club Spaghetti dinner at the lodge on Saturday Feb. 27th from 4 till 7 PM. The money generated from this dinner supports the Annual Children's fishing tournament and improvements at the Fish Hatchery.

#### 9. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Lake Committee:

John Kosinski gave the following report

The committee has recently been in contact with the DeKalb County Natural Resources Conservation Service. We asked if there was any planning to remediate any of the stream banks that need work. Unfortunately, six land owners have requested information, but there has not been any follow up. Cost is the issue and the economy is not conducive to the cost of the repairs.

The committee wishes to extend our condolences to Helen Kocek and her family due to the passing of Rich Kocek. Rich was a large part of the early water monitoring plans in the early 90's. And he was an active participant in the monitoring process.

Vice President Kaminky inquired if there was any action taken by the Sannauk Forest Preserve to stabilize their shoreline. Answer there is no money in their budget to do this at this time.

Political Advisory Committee: No report:

Dam Committee: No report.

Recreation Committee: Secretary Fleming read the following report submitted by Sharon Shepard.

The recreation group hosted the 6 annual chili cook off on Jan. 30th, 26 chili dishes were entered, and Lake Holiday residents were treated to some of the finest chili in the state!

Winners will be published in the next issue of the Lake Holiday News. Our visit with Elmo Fundraiser was another huge success this year, thanks to all the volunteers who helped with these events: Kathy Martin, Sharon Shepard, Tom Shepard, Phillip and Michelle Shepard, Connie Kaufman, DJ Fracasso, Dr. Bill Hospevian, Gail Cowan, Anna Davies, Sue Conley, Barb McElhaney and Becca Weber. Thank you so much to John and Barb Garren for the beautiful guitar cake and all the Elmo cupcakes and Jeff Mosher and Amanda Summers for being our Elmo and Elmo's assistant. We couldn't ask for a better Elmo, the kids and parents were delighted. We are ready for Easter with our Family party scheduled for Sunday Mar 28, 1-3 pm. all are welcome! This is a free event.

10. NEWSPAPER DEADLINE—Monday, February 22

11. MEMBER FORUM:

A resident wanted to clarify the proposed No Wake Posting rule. His understanding is that the lake be designated no-wake whenever the water level is eight or more inches above normal pool and not a no-wake whenever level is below eight inches above normal pool. Answer: that is correct.

12. OLD BUSINESS: None

13. NEW BUSINESS:

1. REPAIR OF PIEZOMETERS AND INCLINOMETERS ON THE DAM

Director Gaydos, liaison to the Dam Committee, stated these devices were used to measure saturation and movement of the earthen portion of the dam. They were abandoned some years back for various reasons. The engineers for the dam suggested these devices be repaired because they provide good information for monitoring the dam. At this point we are waiting on prices and cost of these repairs so I make the motion that we table this until we have that pertinent information. President Leidolf asked if the whole board agreed on this motion. Answer was yes. Thus this will be tabled until we have that additional information.

2. COMMUNICATION SYSTEM REPLACEMENT IN LODGE

The system presently in place is a Merlin system installed in 1996 and the office has been experiencing a constant hum and noise on the phone. It makes communication with any caller difficult. In addition, it is often failing to handle messages correctly. Tim Van Fleet investigated new systems and has come up with three systems. #1 Verizon-Cost is \$3443.22 with extended warranty yearly of \$302.16 (this warranty is for the year 2011 and is given to us at a reduced rate from \$400 if we sign on for it now). They will also recondition and cover all present cable. This system will completely cover all phones and line problems. Total \$3745.22

#2 ACI Services Corp. with 1 year warranty using existing lines. Total Cost \$4104.45.

#3 BBB Networks, Inc. using existing cable, 5 year parts, 2 years labor systems only for Total Cost \$3345.82. There are adequate funds in the Capital Reserve fund for this expenditure. The staff's recommendation would be the Verizon system because it would be a land line and cover all problems from the phone to all the cables.

Secretary Fleming then made a motion that we accept the bid from Verizon with the additional yearly warranty in the amount of \$3745.38. Motion was seconded by Treasurer Condon. Director Kaminky then stated that she has a concern about the Verizon system as some residents are not happy with their service. She herself has changed to Comcast. She was then told that with Comcast we would still need a BBX line. It would not at this point be able to handle the office needs. Verizon would be a 6 port system which is needed. She was also informed that we would have a local dedicated technician available to handle problems. We may be able to have Comcast handle our Security and Maintenance phone needs. Because of the amount of this expenditure we did a voice vote. Motion passed unanimously.

3. SEDIMENTATION SURVEY

Treasurer Condon stated that we need to approve a study to determine the level of silt accumulated in the north end of the lake since the last study. We would like to check the sedimentation accumulated from the Creek down to a line between Lots 1513 and 1169. This needs to be done to determine what we need to reserve for future dredging.

We have had Peter Berrini submit reports on other matters concerning the lake and he is very thorough and knowledgeable. The cost of this survey could cost from \$3000 to \$3500. It was decided that doing this research and surveys has in the past saved money. Through these surveys, we have in the past determined that we needed to cut back on the dredging as we were going thru hard bottom of the lake. Therefore I make the motion to have Peter Berrini do this survey. Motion seconded by Secretary Fleming. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

#### 4. NO WAKE POSTING RULE:

Director Wasson stated that the present rule was put in place approximately 19 years ago. At that time the concern was that when the water rises 8 inches above normal pool the shoreline is saturated and is much more susceptible to erosion. A drying out takes place as the water receded the 4 inches required to lift the restriction. Since this rule we have put into place the Shoreline stabilization rule and at this point have almost 100% compliance. Our staff will monitor the 3 or 4 lots which are under protected. Also since then our staff has put into place a pipe collar system and this is monitored continually. Therefore I make a motion to establish a No Wake/Idle Speed Rule stating the lake is designated No Wake/Idle Speed whenever the water level is eight or more inches above normal pool and whenever the water level is below eight inches above normal pool it is no longer No Wake /Idle Speed. I make the motion that we publish this rule in the Newsletter to be adopted at the March meeting. Motion was seconded by Treasurer Condon. Director Gaydos stated that we reinforce Security to monitor bad behavior by boaters. Vice President Kaminky inquired where the yellow flags were located and was told at the Marina, Beach 2 and Beach 3. It is also posted on the Website and on signs. President Leidolf stated that it is pretty apparent when the water is rising and residents should use caution while boating. Motion passed unanimously to publish this new rule.

#### 14. DECLINE TO PURCHASE PROPERTIES AND APPROVE NEW MEMBERS:

Vice President Kaminky read the following name to be to be approved as of Membership Applications to be approved as of February 16, 2010

House 257	\$168,000
Lot 584	\$ 67,000
Lot 614	\$ 34,000
House 1905	\$105,900
House 1934	Family Conveyance
House 1986	\$169,000

Vice President Kaminky then made 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 Fleming. Motion passed unanimously.

#### 15. APPROVE NEW RENTERS:

Vice President Kaminky read the following applications for Lease of Residential Lots to be approved as of February 16, 2010

House 989  
House 1258  
House 1258  
House 1712

Vice President Kaminky then made a motion to approve the lease of residential lots as read, to approve the lease of residential lots as read, also in accordance with the provisions of the Lake Holiday Property Owner's Association. Motion was seconded by Director Gaydos. Motion passed unanimously.

16. Adjourn official meeting:

Motion to adjourn was made by Secretary Fleming and seconded by Vice President Kaminky. Motion passed unanimously.

Member forum:

A member requested that the Board review the current boating restrictions for the North end of the Lake. He requested they put it on their March agenda. He stated that prior to the Dredging the area was only 3 ft. deep but is now at 5 ft. deep. The idle speed is in his opinion too restraining.

Another member then stated that the permanent No Wake at the North end was the conclusion of the Lake Study.

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With no further comments, meeting ended at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Fleming, Corporate Secretary

Approximately 12members in attendance