

MINUTES OF REGULAR LOHA MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 25, 2007

The meeting was called to order by President, Kevin Hawkins, at 7:30pm. Kevin thanked the Ladies Auxiliary for the cake and refreshments celebrating the Association's 50-year anniversary. The minutes of the April 2007 Regular Meeting were read. Carol Leonard made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Dan King seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously accepted.

REPORTS

President, Kevin Hawkins, gave no report.

Vice-president, Cliff Miller, gave no report.

Secretary, Carolyn Bree, gave no report.

Treasurer, Gordon Woolslayer, provided information on the balance in the checking account (\$9,600.00). This does not reflect the outstanding bills for the lawn service, the beach attendant, the goose clean up and utility bills for the remainder of the year. These bills will amount to around \$4,900.00. That should leave about \$4,700.00 in the account. He also reported on the cost (\$1950.00) of taking down a tree severely damaged by the summer storm. Gordon made a motion that the cost for the tree cutting be taken from the General Fund. Kevin Hawkins seconded the motion. There was a discussion following the motion.

1. Russ Silvas asked if insurance covered any of the emergency tree removal. He was told that an insurance claim was not submitted, as the tree had not done damage except to the boat dock fence.
2. Paulette Howell asked if there would be enough money to pay bills until the next year's membership dues were collected. It was thought that there would be enough.
3. Paulette Howell asked if there was enough money to pay for the steps to the water. Although she was told that the question was not related to the item under discussion, Tim Daly confirmed that the question was appropriate for the discussion at the time. Tom Schulz provided information about the status of the changing the entrance to the water. He stated that after several attempts to get information from representatives of the company that were at the Special Meeting in April he was only able to get a call back after going to the company in person. He received information in early September that the company was no longer interested in the project. He has made to further attempt to get bids for the project. Ron Charbonneau asked if _____. Tim Daly asked about tearing out the sea wall. Kevin stated that a wide range of solutions could be available. Jim Vickers asked whether there was an application for a permit. Gordon Woolslayer stated that the company that was contacted to draw up the plans for the project was to take out any permits, but. No deposit (\$250.00) was paid as a retaining fee. Cliff Miller reminded the members that the architectural plans would cost more than \$250.00. Kevin Hawkins stated that the Association would have to regroup and re-plan to address the beach needs based on what has transpired in the last few months.

The motion was unanimously passed.

Boating Director, Lou Tiernan, had no report.

Expeditor, Tom Schulz, had no report.

Legal Director, Carol Leonard, will provide information under Old Business.

Promotional Director, Mary Hawkins, was absent.

Safety Director, Dan King, reported that the buoys would be removed on the weekend.

Social Director, Sue Miller, gave no report.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Winter Storage of Boats in the Parking Lot: Carol Leonard stated that she was told to get past information from people in the subdivision about use of the parking lot for boat storage. She has gathered some information, but would like to talk to more people about the history of the boat storage in the lot. She asked if anyone had dates as to when the custom began. She also needed clarification to determine when members were first charged to store their boats. After she finishes gathering the information, she will give it to the Waterford Planning Commission who then will take it to the Township Attorney.
 - Terry Schulz asked if Carol talked to Rich Kniffel or Paul Ish.
 - Gordon Woolslayer stated that some information could be received his in-laws who previously lived in the sub.
 - It was suggested that previous owners should be contacted, if there whereabouts are known.
 - Paulette Howell stated that she thought the beach was recorded as recreational property.
 - Tim Daly asked when the Association first received information that boats could not be parked in the lot. He was told that the Association was notified in late July after the storm.
 - Tom Schulz stated that two (2) boats were parked in the lot after the storm. One boat was parked there to allow the Edison crews access to repair the power lines.
 - Paulette Howell stated that boats had been parked in the lot since the 70's and 80's. Kevin Hawkins asked if she would sign a document stating that information.
 - Terry Schulz explained about the complaint that was received about the boats in the parking lot. It was due to a member calling the Township to complain about the boats being stored in the parking lot after the storm.
2. Non-Profit Status of the Association:
 - Tim Daly asked if charitable work was required to maintain the non-profit status. He also asked if the Association made the beach available to outside groups since making the beach available for swimming was no longer requested. He also asked if it should be available free of charge to the schools for parties.
 - Tom Schulz provided information about the federal non-profit status of the organization since 1957. This allows the purchase of items without paying taxes. He also provided information that there were different kinds of organizations that had non-profit status. The Federal Government did not require charitable work for non-profit status. He had not pursued information from the State of Michigan.
 - Ron Charbonneau stated that as long as all monies earned go back into the maintaining the property, it would be tax exempt. He also asked _____? _____
 - Kevin Hawkins said that the beach could be made available to such groups as the Boy Scouts or church groups.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Fixing the Parking Lot: Tom Schulz reported working with Charlie Cole and arranging for 6 truck loads of free milled asphalt to be delivered on Wednesday, September 26th or when it becomes available. The asphalt is available due to the road construction. It is supposed to keep 90% of the sand from draining from the parking lot into the lake. Charlie Cole's company will grade and roll it into milled asphalt. Tom said that he gave verbal approval for the job to be done. It will cost only \$1,200.00. Kevin Hawkins made a motion to pay \$1,200.00 for the work. Carol Leonard seconded the motion. Kevin asked about the slope. Tom will ask Charlie. Ron Charbonneau asked about the buried lines. Tom didn't know if it will affect any lines. Charlie will be contacted about the item. The motion was unanimously passed.
2. Plastic Floats for the Swim Area: Dan King stated that the blue and white plastic floats that hold up the rope to contain the swimming area needed replacing. He priced them at the pool supply store. They run \$4.00 apiece. Forty (40) to fifty (50) are needed with the approximate cost between \$140.00 and \$200.00. Dan stated that he hadn't asked for a discount, but would because of the number needed. Kevin suggested that this item be put into next year's budget. The membership thought that it would be better to purchase them next year than to store them over the winter.
3. Wristbands: Debbie Larkin asked about the Board's decision to use wristbands at the beach and their cost. She had not experienced any such action in the time she has lived in the sub. She was told that they cost around \$50.00. It was the decision of the Board to use them to prevent misuse of the beach. She was also told of past practices of tags and cards. Paulette Howell asked how they worked out. Terry Schulz, the weekday beaches attendant, stated that they helped her become familiar with the people who used the beach often. She stated that it also helped to identify persons who did not have membership.
4. Misuse of the Beach: Terry Schulz talked about some incidents that non-members tried to use the beach, even to the point of defying her authority. She also shared that some people claimed that they were guests of a resident, but couldn't give the member's address. Debbie also asked if adult children who do not live in the sub could use the beach. She was told that a member would be required to be with them and that those persons would be counted as guests. Kevin Hawkins stated that according to the Bylaws, it was each member's responsibility to protect the use of the beach. He was glad that Debbie brought up the topic. Terry Schulz stated that it is unfair to the members who pay to allow non-paying residents to use the beach. Diane Majka asked if a waiver could be allowed in her case. Her health problems sometimes do not support her being at the beach when her daughter and grandson visit. She was told that it could be considered as a special case and arrangements can be made.
5. Playground Equipment: Judy Vickers reported that a ring on one of the play apparatuses was broken. Dan King will attend to it.
6. Warnings about Problems from Outsiders:
 - Paulette Howell reported seeing persons in a truck with a New Jersey license plate picking up scrap metal from some yards and garages.
 - Candice Sereno reported that a gold Expedition was cruising the elementary school parking lot and that it followed her into the subdivision. She called the

police. The answering police officer said that he'd just had a generator stolen from his garage also.

- Kevin asked that he be e-mailed a notice so as to put on the web-site.
 - Carolyn Bree will put a notice in the next newsletter.
7. Newsletter by E-mail: Kevin Hawkins stated that anyone wanting their newsletter by e-mail should call (461-6069) or e-mail khawkins@flagstar.com him to get their newsletter by e-mail.
8. Election of Officers: Kevin Hawkins put before the members present the list of offices for LOHA.

President – Pam Pope nominated Gordon Woolslayer. He accepted the nomination.
Tom Schulz nominated Kevin Hawkins. He accepted the nomination.
Sue Miller nominated Cliff Miller. He accepted the nomination.

The votes were cast as follows: Gordon Woolslayer – 21 votes

Kevin Hawkins	-	8 votes
Cliff Miller	-	0 votes

Vice President – Don Osborne nominated Debbie Gurney. Although she was not there, Don said that she asked to run. She ran unopposed and received a majority vote.

Secretary - Carolyn Bree was asked if she would remain. She said that she would. She ran unopposed. She received a majority of votes.

Treasurer – Sharon Gwin nominated Tim Daley. He ran unopposed and received a majority of votes.

Boating Director – Lou Tiernan was asked if he would remain. He said that he would. He ran unopposed and received a majority of votes.

Expeditor – Tom Schulz declined to remain in the position.

Mary Lou Osborne nominated Lee Howell who was not present. He would be helped by Bob Majka. Paulette Howell confirmed his acceptance of the position. He ran unopposed and received a majority of votes.

Legal Director – Carol Leonard was asked if she would remain and she affirmed. She ran unopposed and received a majority of votes.

Social Director – Sue Miller stated that she would run for the same position.

Nancy Murray nominated Pam Pope. Pam accepted the nomination.

The votes were cast as follows: Sue Miller – 7

Pam Pope – 18

Safety Director – Dan King was asked if he would remain. He said that he would. He ran unopposed and received a majority of votes.

Promotional Director – Mary Hawkins, absent, would not remain in the position.

Pam Pope nominated Sharon Gwin. Sharon accepted the nomination. She ran unopposed and received a majority of votes.

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Mary Lou Osborne thanked all the 2007 Board Members. She invited all the women to attend the Ladies Auxiliary meeting at her home on October 9th, the second Tuesday, for an auction event to raise money for Christmas.

Cliff Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lou Tiernan seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm. It was followed with cake and liquid refreshments.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Bree, Secretary