

## L.O.H.A. BOARD MEETING MINUTES- MAY 17, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 P.M. by President Lee Howell at the home of Don and Mary Lou Osborne. Lee Howell asked if everyone had read the minutes of the April 19, 2016 Board Meeting and if there were any comments, questions or proposed changes to those minutes. None were made and Lee Howell made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Motion was seconded by Lynn Woolslayer and motion was unanimously approved.

### **BOARD REPORTS**

#### **President**

No report

#### **Vice president**

Absent

#### **Secretary**

Twila Setla will not be available for August 16 and September 20, meetings.

#### **Treasurer**

Jessica Baker reports the following account balances;

Check \$2,815.52

Boat \$16,442.18

Savings \$91,519.74

\$74,077.73 was recently transferred from the investment to saving account in preparation for the seawall expenses.

Current LOHA Membership is 89, 48 regular members and 41 senior members, \$5567.00 current boat slips 22 currently paid for a total revenue of \$4400.00.

20% was transferred from checking to saving and 20% of boating to savings.

#### **Boating**

Jerry Chamberlain reports that all 31 boat slips are paid for the season. Nine individuals have not turned in insurance papers and 23 names are on boat slip waiting list.

Jerry stated that he called Instant Marina again and no response yet. Lee and Jerry discussed ways to improve the lock on the boat slip gate.

#### **Expeditor**

Bob Majka reports that the canvas for the play set is complete and the total is \$225.00 for the brand new canvas from Bevo's canvas. Bob asked Lee if Joe Swain had mentioned anything

about filling in the hole in the drainage ditch to the cement tiles. Lee suggested a couple alternatives for repairs.

Clarkston Sprinkler called Lee Howell and quoted a price of \$75.00 to open the sprinkler system. Bob Majka suggested giving the job to Clarkston Sprinkler and the Board agreed.

### **Legal**

Don Osborne reports that he will continue discussing the sidewalk issue with Township Clerk.

### **Promotional**

Lynn Woolslayer reports that the beach opening is Saturday, May 21, at 1:00, lunch available. She confirmed with Don Swanson and he will post the signs, open to all. There will be a Prize for oldest and youngest in attendance. LOHA Directories are ready and may be delivered this weekend. Lynn redistributed membership cards to residents on Breaker and Shoals because she was getting calls stating that they had not gotten one yet.

Lynn restated that she will not be available for Promotional Director next term.

### **Safety**

Jim Williams may have the buoys in by weekend.

### **Social**

Pam Pope reports that the Father's day Pancake breakfast is Saturday, June 18, at 9:30 am to 11:00 am. She has some dry mix from last year. Need volunteers to cook. The cost is \$3.00 per person, free for those 2 years old and under.

Independence Day celebrations will be Saturday, July 2, beginning with the 11:00 am Ski Demons water ski show, potluck at 6:30 pm and Fireworks at dusk. Bring a dish to pass, meat dish will be provided. She discussed an additional potluck later this summer, tentative date of August 13, and possibly a Chili cook-off and Senior events during the week.

Lynn will get the annual fire permit.

Guest parking sign will be posted.

### **Newsletter**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Lee stated there is no update to the seawall permits. Lee asked if the Board still wants to remove the first flower/shrub box because it is over grown and has poison ivy in it also the wooden border is rotten. Lee will ask the Lawn Company what they will charge to remove it. Also Lee will ask the seawall company what they will charge to replace the timbers at the main gate, at the time they are installing the seawall and have them replace the timbers if the price is reasonable.

Lee stated that we need a special meeting for the following items;

We need to make a by-laws change in Article XI, Section 4, Investment Account, subsection a. We should eliminate the last sentence, "The minimum principal amount to remain in this account at all times is Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$70,000.00)," since we will be using approximately \$56,000.00 of this money to pay for the seawall, which would leave about \$18,000.00 in the investment account. However, we don't know exactly how much we will be using for the seawall and we did authorize a total of \$65,000.00, if necessary. All of the money in the investment account has been taken out of the American national Annuity and is currently in the Savings Account. Whatever amount is left of the investment money after we pay for the seawall we will re-invest, probably in a separate interest bearing account. We should make the by-laws change before we actually spend the money for the seawall so that we will be in compliance with the by-laws when we do use the money.

The next topic for the Special Meeting is to approve money to be withdrawn from the Savings to cover the budget shortfall and specifically to be used for payment for the beach guard for the current fiscal year. We should approve a total amount of no more than \$4500.00 since that is the usual amount budgeted for beach guard. We will then use the money as needed during this fiscal year, up to but not exceeding the approved amount.

The final topic for the Special Meeting is to approve raising general membership dues for the next fiscal year of 5% (maximum amount allowed in by-laws) which is \$3.00 for each membership for both regular and senior and 6% for boat slips (maximum amount allowed in by-laws), which is \$12.00 per slip.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Lee got a call from Fran Amos who referred him to Tom Middleton, County Commissioner and a member of the Lakes Board, requesting permission to allow dredged material from the canal to be put on LOHA beach property to drain before it is hauled away. Paul Hausler, Consulting engineer for the Lakes Board told Lee the Following; dredge canal, run it through a pipe, down to our beach property where it will be encased in a large plastic porous bag 10' wide x 30' long to drain the water for a period of a week or two and then it will be hauled away. This request is coming from the Lakes Board not the property owners. This will probably take place in October. The Lakes Board and the MDEQ will oversee the dredging of the storage material and may have to approve it before it is hauled away. MDEQ requires any reclamation of our property as needed such as any grading or reseeding after the material is hauled away. The cost of reclamation is included in any estimate for the dredging. Discussion ensued. Some Board members were skeptical and questioned why this had to be done on our property. Lee explained that this was the most economical and practical way to do this according to MDEQ guidelines and that the size of the draining bag was too big for most of the property owners and they really couldn't split it up and use smaller bags because the MDEQ wouldn't allow this. All of the water would drain back into the lake. The area where they want to put bag was adjacent to the Tyler property which is rarely used by the Associations and would not be any way interfere with

our activities or the building of the seawall. Paul Hausler stated that the only possible damage to our property would be to the grass which would be completely repaired and re-seeded.

Jerry Chamberlain stated that he thought we probably should allow this to be done on our property since some of the property owners who live on the canal are LOHA members and it did seem like the most practical way to do this as long as any damage would be repaired. A final decision will be made on this at the next Board meeting.

### **Next Meetings**

Board Meeting June 21, 2016 at 7:00 pm to be held at the Pavilion weather permitting.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Twila Setla and seconded by Lynn Woolslayer, all approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Twila Setla  
Secretary