

# Lake Oakland Heights Park Association

## Meeting Rules of Order

May 19, 2021

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### **Call to Order**

Amy Holmes called the meeting to order at 7:36 PM on May 19, 2021 at the LOHPA Beach.

### **Attendees**

#### **Board Members:**

President – Amy Holmes  
Vice President – Don Swanson  
Secretary – Jessica Baker  
Boating Director – Shawn Knedgen  
Expeditor – Keith Bowing  
Legal Director – Lee Howell  
Promotional Director – Mary Lou Osborne  
Social Director – Christina Wells  
Safety Director – Michelle Martin

#### **Association Members in attendance:**

3740 Aquarina	3672 Breaker	3511 Levee
3755 Aquarina	3871 Breaker	3670 Mariner
3772 Aquarina	3660 Embarcadero	3856 Mariner
3773 Aquarina	3691 Embarcadero	3795 Shoals
3790 Aquarina	3943 Embarcadero	3484 West Walton
3791 Aquarina	3381 Levee	3510 West Walton

#### **Association Members who Returned Meeting Notices with Polling Data:**

3654 Aquarina	3901 Breaker	3729 Mariner
3655 Aquarina	3756 Embarcadero	3801 Mariner
3919 Aquarina	3890 Embarcadero	3825 Mariner
3983 Aquarina	3895 Embarcadero	3836 Mariner
4047 Aquarina	3900 Embarcadero	3846 Mariner
4185 Aquarina	3942 Embarcadero	3728 Shoals
4190 Aquarina	3970 Embarcadero	3733 Shoals
3634 Breaker	3971 Embarcadero	3762 Shoals
3691 Breaker	4026 Lake Oakland Shores	3810 Shoals
3750 Breaker	3706 Mariner	3830 Shoals

### **Board Members not in attendance**

Treasurer – Cheryl Baker

### **Reason for Special Meeting**

There has been a lot of discussion between board members and the community over concerns of smoking on the beach property.

It was brought to the board's attention at the closing of the April 20, 2021 Board Meeting that there has been marijuana smoking at the beach along with cigarette smoking. This issue struck a chord with many members of the board, and a rash decision was made after a 4-hour meeting. It was not the intention of any member of the Board to alienate any members of the association.

It was brought up that a no smoking policy would be enacted for the coming season at the April 27, 2021 General Meeting. This was followed by the Board receiving a concerned letter from multiple members of the association about this subject, and a special meeting was then decided to be the best way to move forward.

The Board would like to discuss with membership this policy and come up with a solution that will be for the best interests of all parties.

### **Polling Data Information**

The board of directors put out a flyer about the special meeting that included an absentee ballot. This form was supposed to go out as a polling data information, and in the rush to get the items printed and distributed in time prior to the meeting it was not caught that it used the terminology for accept it as a ballot.

The board has decided to keep the data received back as polling data and share with the members in attendance at this meeting. There was a total of 31 polling sheets returned. Two of which were invalid and cannot be counted. One due to it had no tracking sticker and one due to having a 4<sup>th</sup> option checked, which their notes are shared below for membership and board consideration.

Of the 29 valid sheets returned:

6 were to Enact a smoking ban that prohibits smoking on the property. There were no additional notes with any of these sheets.

13 of the sheets returned were to Enact a smoking restriction, that only allows smoking in certain area(s) of the property.

The following list is additional notes and suggestions for locations from members:

- No Marijuana, No Smoking by pavilion, beach, playground, and snack shack. Marijuana is Illegal in public places per new law
- Smoke in the Parking Lot
- The Pointe or canal front by the volleyball court. Trial this for 2021? We already say no to glass, bikes, and kids under 12 alone. If nothing else, a sign can be posted asking to avoid smoking in the beach area, pavilion, and shack for considerations of all.
- Only in the parking lot away from others
- Let the board decide
- Firepit
- Add ashtrays at the pointe. Please note I would not be in favor of the smoking area near my home.
- The pointe with ashtrays.
- Away from playground
- Pointe area, not near playground

10 of the sheets returned were to Not change anything. The following are additional notes from members:

- If they smoke THC – call the police
- We can't get into pettiness.
- I strongly oppose any policy change that cannot/will not be enforced. We do not have funds/resources to enforce a ban or site restriction. Making something banned will not stop people from doing it. Please consider starting with literature on being a courteous smoker distributed and posted at the beach.

The notes received on the invalid sheet that had a fourth option checked were: Follow state and local ordinances concerning smoking that are already laws in place. Is this vote redundant? Why was this not an option already? Isn't it in the By-laws? Why not? Does the Board know what the ordinances are?

## **Discussion**

Discussion was held by members in attendance over the concerns regarding smoking at the beach and changes to enact a new policy.

## **Motions**

Ron Charbonneau made a motion to leave the rules as they are. Christie Harkins seconded the Motion. Vote Occurred. Motion Passed 18-10.

Amy Holmes made motion to adjourn the meeting, Toni Tiernan seconded motion. Meeting Adjourned at 8:17 PM.

## **Next Meetings**

The next monthly board meeting will be held on June 15, 2021 at 7:00 PM at LOHPA Beach.

The next General Membership Meeting will be held on September 28, 2021 at 7:30 PM at LOHPA Beach.

**Jessica Baker**

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**Secretary**

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**Date Submitted**