

## LOHA Board Meeting Minutes from August 21, 2024

President Keith Bowling brought the meeting to order at 7:09 pm. Carolyn Bree read the minutes from July 18, 2024. The minutes were approved as read.

### Board Reports

**Pres. Keith Bowling** stated that next year's ski team's use of the beach, will require signatures on Liability Forms. He will send the information to Tamara Pittman for legal advice. A solution is needed for skiers to come off a dock, but not the boat dock. Someone will talk to Arlene Shea about using her dock next year. Dock gate must be kept closed except to enter or exit the dock. A sign to remind people going onto the boat dock must lock the gate, even if on the dock. The possibility of a child or even someone older falling into the muck could cause a serious problem. Don Swanson also addressed this problem. An inside handle, possible round and a self-closing gate were discussed. Since one of the vertical rods, which was previously bent and secured has disappeared. A solid gate and plexiglass panels to avoid the problems was recommended. Don Swanson stated that Soltias (sp) Plastic on M59, E of Teggedine Rd. has different plastics for different uses. He will check prices and needed measurements. It was suggested that chicken wire would prevent easy reach to access a knob or handle. At the Fishing Tournament children were instructed about fishing protocol, where they can fish and how to take responsibility if their hook caught a boat cover or any other object. They were told to report it to the person in the Weenie Shack. Teaching kids responsibility is important. Jessica Baker suggested that ID #'s for the boat slips be posted in view. Keith reported that he didn't like the distance between boats at the new docks. The water area narrows as the distance from the land extends. Speed boats are more suitable for that space. Two pontoon boats would have a difficult time approaching or backing out. He suggests that the docks be repositioned for better use. Ryan Shea has a speed boat in the new space. Regarding fill dirt, the cost of dirt is \$15.00 a yard, 20 yards cost \$300.00 plus \$64.00 per truck. It took 4 trips (\$256.00) plus \$300.00 equals \$556.00 The area may need rototilling. Regarding fending off the geese, Poles and ropes can ward off geese. Orange or yellow 18-inch colored poles and rope were suggested to rope off the point. The lattice will be installed across from the pavilion after the ground is prepared.

**Vice Pres. Ian Hagbarth** reported that the handicapped car stoppers needed painting. The flagpole rope still needs to be installed. The Saturday Beach Bash with live music went well. Keith stated that \$400.00 was a good price for the band, called Kayak Club. He suggested that such an activity could occur each month during the summer.

**Secretary Carolyn Bree** asked for information for the upcoming newsletter. She will include information about the Open House at Stepanski Center, Sept. 14 from 10am – noon.

**Treasure Jessica Baker** had no report. In response to a question, she said that the Special Account held approximately \$2,600.00. It can be used for contracting a band or bands next year. Money in this account were realized from the 50/50 drawings.

**Expeditor Wayne Heyniger** was absent. Co-expeditor Bob Steele had no report.

**Boating Dir. Martin Edwards** was absent. Keith talked to Lee about raising Boat Slip Dues to \$500.00 as opposed to the 6% in the Bylaws. Boat Slip renters were never contacted about a special Boat Slip meeting. A date was set for Sept. 24 at 7:00pm, before the General meeting at 7:30pm. Jessica offered to create a flyer noting the topic of the meeting. It will go put with the upcoming Newsletter.

**Promotional Dir. Pam Heyniger** was absent.

**Social Dir. Amanda Piecak** reported that the WS was broken into and items were taken from her supplies. Teens were seen on a video recording. A police report was made. B & E, plus vandalism could be charged. A letter to the parents of those identified should be drafted and signed by both the Legal Dir. and Pres. Community service could be considered. Those involved should be banned from the beach. A Board member has 2 cameras to donate as there are 2 terminals available. Amanda also suggested that a band be hired for the beach opening next year. It

could bring out more people, esp. as an evening activity, Movie Night is scheduled for Sat., Aug. 24<sup>th</sup> at the beach. Beach yoga was cancelled for August.

**Legal Dir. Tamara Pittman** was absent.

**Safety Dir. Geo Pietrzak** reported that the blocked drainage holes on the play equipment were cleaned out. The cost of replacing the safety straps on the merry-go-round is \$700.00 for 2 sets. Need for the straps was discussed. It seems that the straps were not used. The cage is painted. Geo and Linda Gibson attached the screening material. A bar from the boat dock gate is gone. Geo talked to Jim Williams about the outer buoy. The issue will be addressed next year.

### **Old Business**

1. New Boat Slips – Discussed under president’s report and highlighted in yellow. Ryan Shea who has a speed boat is using one of the new slips. The other 3 are not filled. Pontoon boats may not have enough room to dock in the new spots.
2. Mooring poles – Martin Edwards jet ski is parked in mooring poles area for a test run.
3. Bench – The red, white and blue bench is in the cage. It will get painted green.

### **New Business**

1. Shelving for the cage was recommended.
2. Election - Present Board members who are interested in running again are Ian, Jessica, Amanda, Geo and Wayne and Bob Steele. Jason Zimmerman is interested in joining the Board. Carolyn Bree doesn’t want to run for Secretary. Tamara, Martin and Pam were not present to voice their interest. Keith made no commitment.
3. Boat Storage – Boats can be stored starting Oct. 1. They must be out of the lot by April 24, 2025. Jessica made a motion to hold a sign up for storage on Sept. 28 from 11am to 1pm. Geo seconded the motion. The motion passed. Information will be noted in the upcoming Newsletter. All payments and paperwork are to be filled out at that time. Check and money orders for \$175.00 will be accepted. No cash. Boat tags will be given out at that time.
4. Memorial Trees – Information tabled until Sept. meeting.
5. Sept. Board Meeting at the beach on Wed., Sept. 18 at 7:00pm.
6. Sept. General Meeting – Sept. 24 at the beach preceded by a Special Meeting.

Geo made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ian seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Bree, Secretary