

Highland Lake Property Owner's Association Board of Director's Meeting, May 15, 2017

This meeting was called to order by President Mike Kalstrup at 7:10 PM. Members present were Maggie Keefe, Cindy Mittlestaedt, Kate Johnson, Mike Kalstrup, Larry Leafblad, Joe Bigalke, John Sonnenberg, and Lorna Denig. Community members present were Cathy DeGroh, Diane Kula, and Enid Tanton.

Minutes: John Sonnenberg moved we accept the minutes of the March meeting. Kate Johnson seconded. Unanimously approved. Note: There were no minutes to approve for April as a quorum was not reached at the 4/2017 meeting.)

Topics included:

1. Larry Leafblad added the following to the agenda - Carpfest begins on May 25th. Also, a reminder that Wednesday (the 17th) is clean up day. The township will collect unwanted items. An email went out today with details. Finally, Larry would like the board to think about residential rental policies. Mandatory dues? Policies about raft and lake use? Cathy DeGroh added concerns about houses zoned for single family use but inhabited by multiple families. Nothing decided at the meeting; this is all for future consideration.
2. Avon Township - Bob Kula was not at the meeting to make a report.
3. Public Comment - No public comments at this time.
4. Lake Avenue - Larry suggested a Habitat Restoration process for Lake Avenue. He handed out a proposal as an FYI to the HLPOA board. The contents of the proposal are attached to these minutes (below).
5. Wristbands - The wristbands are in. Larry has them all should anyone need more.
6. Lake Access and Parks and - Joe Bigalke has been working hard at Chic Par, mowing the grass and reworking the beach. Kathy and Emma Kalstrup painted a new sign at Chic Park. John and Beth Sonnenburg have been doing a great job at Downey Park. It is looking fantastic. Finally, the middle access point on the north side of the Lake on Cedar contains a lot of metal and concrete buried behind the seawall/retaining wall. People there want better boat access and to re-do the pier. Mike has already spoken to them regarding our policy about no boats being left out overnight.
7. Locking boats - It is important that boats left in the parks be locked. This will avoid both theft and potential accidents. Joe will be sure that access to a lock pipe is there. We will remind all to lock their boats and if they don't we will contact people by name based on boat registration numbers. Mike will also ask Ron to send out an email on this subject giving people 5 days warning to get their locks in place.
8. Lake Treatment - The entire lake has been treated. Mike is awaiting feedback from the treating company on current levels. He will also undertake training to do testing himself. Alana from the county will provide the training. John also agreed to take the training. John also volunteered to try to pull the floating paddle boat out of the lake and get it on the curb for Wednesday pick up day.
9. Other - Larry would like to pursue making dues mandatory. We will come back to this later. Cindy announced that she has called the sheriff a few times about dead animals in the lake. Others should

do the same as needed. Enid ????? mentioned that she has seen someone leaving the lake in a canoe quite late with no boat stickers. Everyone in the community should call the sheriff when we see anything of this nature. Lorna suggested surveillance cameras. We will come back to this idea later.

10. We did not approve financials as Linda Kuntner was not present at the meeting. We will do that next month. In the meantime, Larry presented three bills to the board. John moved that we accept all three. Maggie seconded. Unanimously approved. The bills are: \$14.58 for the carp fest (from the carp fest fund); \$79.60 for roundup (from the park fund); and \$105.30 for the wristbands (from the raft fund).
11. An additional community event is being planned for September. We will have a tailgate party to watch the Bears on the south side of the lake at Kate's and Mike's. Cindy offered her son's services to pick people up for the event by pontoon boat. Details of the event to follow.
12. John made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Joe. Unanimously approval. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.
13. Mike called the Foundation meeting to order. John and Joe immediately moved for adjournment. Unanimously approved.

Recorded in the minutes - A Habitat Restoration, Lake Avenue, Highland Lake/ Submitted by Larry Leafblad.

Objective: To enhance the beauty and value of our neighborhood by creating a restoration of native plants and trees along the north side of Lake Avenue (from the s-curve on the east to Hainesville Road on the west). Volunteer effort over a number of weekends have been successful, but the work has been hard, volunteers have given plenty...but it has underscored both the magnitude of the project and the beautiful enhancement of Lake Avenue and improved value of the private properties in the vicinity of the south side of Lake Avenue. I propose we outline a plan for a workable project, headed by key volunteers with knowledge of the native and natural species, and knowledge of the invasive plants which would inhibit the ongoing beauty of our community. In my opinion, this will be an ongoing project which could take a couple of seasons to be completed. I'm recommending a volunteer group to lead the effort, continued volunteers to help the work combined with professional contractors to safely remove large, dead trees and remove large fallen trunks. This will take funding. I recommend a separate funding, separate from HLPOA, to pay for needed help and specified 'in house' volunteer experts to guide the progress.