



Higgins Lake Property Owners Association™

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Special Board Meeting

June 30, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Brad Gibson at 10:10 A.M. Notice to board members had been provided in accordance with the bylaws.

Board Members Present: Brad Gibson, Herb Weatherly, Dianne Wagner, Fred Swinehart, Bob McKellar, Ken Dennings, Charlene Cornell, Chuck Brick, Jim Vondale and Bob Hoffman.

Annual Meeting

1. Review Agenda - Bob Frye will be added to speak at the end of the meeting.
2. Review Roles & Responsibilities - The procedure for checking in members at the annual meeting was reviewed.
3. A discussion was held on the Tulgetske email regarding relocation of common mergansers from Higgins Lake. The Board supports the HLSIO program by a formal member resolution. The relocation issues raised were answered in the news report by the DNR and Dr. Curt Blankespoor. The board decided there is no need to address the Tulgetske email.
4. The board's rationale for the 2017 membership dues increase will be discussed in opening remarks.

Treasurer's Report

A discussion was held regarding the preparation of our financial reports, as Jack Cornell's assistance is scheduled to end as of June, 2017. Thank you, Jack! A member, who is a CPA, will be contacted to see if there is interest in assuming Jack's role to help the HLPOA with its financial reports. (The board subsequently learned Mr. Cornell agreed to continue in his volunteer role helping with HLPOA financial reports.)

Lake Level, Dam, Restrictor Plate

The Board had a discussion on this topic and reaffirmed the two member resolutions supporting the legal level and opposing the removal of the dam. The board will work on a position regarding the restrictor plate. It was noted the restrictor plate would help support the legal level, but there are obstacles to installing a restrictor plate including opposition by the DNR, lack of financial support for a study by the Roscommon County Commission and language in one of the resolutions.

Dedicated to preserving the quality and beauty of Higgins Lake

Gerrish Septic Ordinance

A discussion was held regarding the Gerrish septic ordinance. The Board recognized the importance of properly maintaining septic systems in the Higgins Lake watershed. The board agreed it would support a septic ordinance that is fair and effective. A formal resolution will be discussed by the Environmental Committee.

Marv Bolton's Newest Request

A discussion was held regarding Marv Bolton's newest request of the HLPOA. Mr. Bolton's request questions the accuracy of minutes of the 2016 annual meeting. To fully answer the request consistent with Michigan law, the Board agreed to give Marv a copy of the 2015 independent financial Audit Report. The annual meeting minutes he is questioning simply reflect a statement in the 2016 Audit Report by the independent professional auditor.

Board Vacancy

The Board accepted the resignation from Throck Osborn.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was moved by Fred and seconded by Charlene. The meeting adjourned at 12:19 P.M.