

**Mohegan Lake Improvement District Meeting Provisional Minutes
27 October 2021
via Zoom platform**

In attendance:

Ken Belfer, president—Mohegan Colony
Laura Kosbar, vice president—Lake
Mohegan Park
Patrick Byrne, treasurer—Mohegan Beach
Park
Shelley Reid, secretary—MHPOA

Randall Duggan, CSLAP Coordinator—
MHPOA
Stacy Williams-Kerr—Mohegan Beach Park
Katherine Jewell— Lake Mohegan Park
Felicity Arengo— Mohegan Beach Park
Don Risucci—Mohegan Colony

I. Minutes

The minutes from the previous meeting were amended and approved.

II. Tall Timbers Trail Project

After input from a resident of Ivy Road, the trail path was adjusted to increase distance from homes and reduce the possibility of foot traffic towards homes, and Ken re-flagged the adjusted sections of the proposed trail. Laura, Ken, and Jane Daniels attended the Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC) meeting in October. The PRC intends to conduct a walk-through of the trail on 20 November, and then conduct a public meeting in December and hold a vote on the matter. The trail committee has invited residents of Ivy and Crossways roads to take part in a walk-through on 30 October, to give residents the opportunity to see how the adjustments have addressed their concerns. MLID will follow up with an update on the MLID website, and supporters of the trail are encouraged to write to the PRC.

The name of the project was addressed; the proposed trail covers the former location of the Tall Timber bungalow colony and camp. The name *Tall Timbers* for the trail project was confirmed, as this was the name that has been used thus far in discussion with the PRC and homeowners.

III. Aeration/Oxygenation Proposal

The MLID executive board met with Sen. Harckham over Zoom on 4 October to discuss issues regarding Lake Mohegan. Sen. Harckham indicated that the aeration project would be a strong candidate to receive [State and Municipal Facilities Program](#) (SAM) funding, if MLID can present a firm cost estimate. Ken has asked John Tucci of EverBlue Lakes to submit an updated proposal to incorporate in the request for SAM funding.

The question of aeration vs. oxygenation was discussed. Laura asked for Glenn Sullivan's opinion; he felt that aeration was preferable to oxygenation because there is so little hard data on oxygenation as a new process in the field. Glenn also reported disappointment with the systems utilizing nano-bubble aeration.

John Tucci has also proposed a hybrid approach, using traditional aeration in the shallower portions of the lake, with oxygenation in the deeper sections. If this model were adopted in

stages, MLID would have to build out the aeration sheds to eventually accommodate equipment for both systems. John also advised MLID that it would have to address the effects of the stormwater pipe at Christine Road

IV. Permits

MLID will have to renew its DEC wetlands permit, and in order to maximize its options in 2022, ought to apply for permits for the treatments it has been using in previous years as soon as possible. Ken will ask SOLitude whether it could offer its 2021 quoted rates for 2022, which would allow MLID to potentially extend that vendor's 2021 contract another year and significantly shorten the process.

V.

Next Meeting

The next meeting was set for 8 December at 7:30 pm, via Zoom.