

SUNSET LAKE ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING
OCTOBER 21, 2017

CALL TO ORDER - President John Kemp called the meeting to order at 10:00 p.m. at the Sunset Lake Community Center, Hanauer Hall. All Directors were present. President John Kemp stated a quorum had been reached.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 2016 ANNUAL MEETING –

*A motion was made by Dan Duncan to approve the minutes and seconded by Bill Walkenbach. The motion carried.

PRESIDENT’S REMARKS – JOHN KEMP: President John Kemp welcomed everyone to annual meeting. According to our By Laws we hold the annual Meeting to approve the minutes of last year’s meeting, hear reports from the board of directors, approve the budget for next year and to elect 3 board members to 3 year term. This year we also elect a board member to finish out the 2 remaining years of Paul Hltako’s term. Paul resigned in early May. I appointed Roger Winterland to fill in for Paul until this meeting. I have known Roger for over 7 years. Roger was trained to check water clarity, take samples and submit this information to the state. Roger has been very active helping around the lake. Thanked Roger for all his efforts. This past winter with lake drawn down, we able to dig out several coves around the lake. I want to thank Mark Severns and Carolyn Williams for the access through their lots. I want to thank all the volunteers who helped pick up the rocks after this material was spread out on our field inside Circle Drive about 9 tons all together. This coming year we have repairs to be made to the spillway. Green & Bradford Engineering have completed the inspection of the dam & spillway. A copy of the inspection report was sent to the state along with renewal forms for our dam permit. I want to thank Ray Reardon for going through the report and specs for repairs. There are over 50 areas on the spillway that are in need of repair. Most of these areas are on the face of the spillway and several on the sidewalls. The face of the spillway will be 1st phase. Sidewalls second phase. This the reason for raising the assessment. Currently Green & Bradford are working to get a couple of bids for the repairs. Bob Sons was not able to put on the fireworks this year, but on short notice we got a commitment from Central States Fireworks to put on this year’s display. That was the show we saw this year. Thank you Bob. The fireworks show has become a focal point for Sunset Lake. It has grown to an area wide event. That I hope will continue well into the future. This board is committed to that goal. The liabilities are tremendous. The fireworks committee was formed for the purpose of coordinating the fund raisers, making sure that we have all the licenses, permits and insurance in compliance. And account for all donations and money spent. This information will be available to the members. The fireworks show only happens because of the generosity of members, local businesses and friends of Sunset Lake. Thank you to everyone. Goose Island looks great. I want to thank all the volunteers who gave of their time, equipment and efforts to get it cleaned up. It was a lot of work and very rewarding. When we work together great things can be accomplished. We are blessed to live in this beautiful place we call Sunset Lake.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT- JIM WILSON: Jim Wilson stated he had 8 nests on the island, 6 nests on the shore for a total of 91 eggs. It has dropped from past three years they were oiling about 180 eggs and down to 91eggs. West Side of the lake did not get oiled this year couple reasons. We have 3 road cuts, culvert repairs & one powerline that need to settle. So will oil in 2018. Purchase new mower from Kruse. Running good. Kept old Xmark for mulching & timbers. We have 5 designated burn piles. North Lake, Willow, East Lake Drive, Mulberry & West Lake. They are for leaves, sticks, building material & not concrete, garbage and grass. He started 3 compost piles they are for lake weeds, grass clipping and mulch able items. They are on North

Lake, Willow and West Lake. Working on rotation of 6 lots for mowing, leaves and clean up. Things that have been found on burn piles that do not belong there were carpet, landscape, rebar, concrete, pile of dirt, oil change garbage, couch, recliner, plastic lattes, car stereo & speakers and gages. Need to keep an eye on the burn piles.

AQUATIC CONTROL & WATER SAFETY- BILL URBAN; Bill Urban stated thanks to all for safe boating year. Hope for the same next year. He talked about idle speed only in coves and bays & dusk verses sunset. Walleye to be stocked next fall. Some fish rules have changed so check out the new rules. Have a good and safe boating year. Again, please read the new rules.

BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE- MIKE COLBROOK: Mike Colbrook stated 2017 was a busy year for building and construction around the lake. I am pleased to report the number of total permits issued in 2017 has more than doubled the permit in 2016. This is clear indication of the members adding and/or updating their lake lots and homes. Upgrading existing property and addition of new homes increase the property value of all members. 2017 was a very good year for upgrading existing lots. The total permits issued in 2016 was 22. This year there was over 47 permits issued, with a concentration of upgrading existing docks and placement of new docks. I want to thank all of you for your support throughout the year. We try to work as a family to please everyone. There are exception, but most permits are approved. Please read Section 38 of the Rules and Regulations before submitting your request for a permit. Most changes for your lots are outlined in the report. Again, thank you and I am looking forward to an exciting 2018.

ROADS /DAM & GROUNDS COMMITTEE-JIM FINCHUM: Jim Finchum stated about Section 15 - The Board has the authority to require each lessee to maintain the leasehold in a sanitary condition; decent, neat, free of weeds, leaves, unmowed grass, and debris, and attractive in appearance and in good repair. Mowing must be kept mowed under 6 inches. Leaves lots must be kept free of the accumulation of leaves. No one shall intentionally rake or blow leaves into the lake. Section 16 -Trees must have a permit to cut down. All dogs, and cats must be penned or restrained to the owner's property or under the owner's control at all time. Section 23 -One either camping trailer, RV, or motor home stored only on their lot. We have discussed and sent letters about properties not being maintained in a sanitary condition and these issues were corrected Section 24 - All persons shall obey all traffic signs and signals authorized by the Association, and shall not drive a motor vehicle upon any road at a speed greater than the posted limit. Section 32 -1st Offense - written or oral warning and/or a \$25.00 fine, 2nd Offense - \$50.00 fine, 3rd Offense - \$100.00 fine, and with Board approval, suspension of all lake privileges. Roads have been maintained well by Jim Wilson. Be careful and obey the posted limits. Dam inspection and marked to repair.

LEGAL & INSURANCE COMMITTEE-NORM BRAND: Norm Brand stated legal and insurance has been pretty quiet again this year. Insurance usually goes up every year this year it went up 500.00. We have a limited market since we have a lake. Will keep an eye on our premiums. Bob Sons has been working on taking care of legal of the property on Lot 215 and getting it cleaned up. John and Norm went and meet with the lakes attorney. Will try to proceed to get Lake Lease back for Lot #215. Bill Pickford has volunteered to put on fund raiser for the fireworks so they can start a fireworks fund. The actual fireworks they are trying to get ahead of the game. They have a time limit. The committee for the fireworks are Norm Brand, Roger Winterland, Dan Duncan & Brian Murphy. January 1st they will accept their last bid. They have 3 bids and maybe a 4th. The last of the funding raising will be February 28 for 2018 show. Then after February 28th that will be for the following years (2019) fireworks show. Brian Murphy volunteered to draft a letter for bidding explaining proper licensing & insurance that has to be sent in with the bid. Brian is also drafting letter explaining how Sunset Lake raise their money, for businesses that donate. Final bill on fireworks paid to Central States 16,087.50 with sales tax. Norm said he hoped Bob could put on the show & how they were great. Talked about wanting to be transparent and putting an end to all the

rumors. Bids they are obtaining are for 10 to 15 thousand. Tax is included in the bids. Discussed cannot tax on labor. Bill Tavernor mentioned that Bob Sons started fireworks many years ago and has put a lot of time and effort into the show. Much discussion on fund raisers, how they can raise enough money in time before the cut off & payments on fireworks. Fireworks date is set for June 30th 2018 and rain date July 7. A lot of concerns & discussion about why Bob Sons was not on committee, or doing fireworks show, fund raisers for fireworks & just finding out about cutoff date for fireworks, problems that happened in this year's show, payments on fireworks, & etc.

SANITATION, COMMITTEE–DAN DUNCAN: Dan Duncan stated he has been on the board for about 2 years and he is the committee chair for sanitation. Last year 95% and this year about 97% were in compliance. I would like to say how great everyone has been on supplying there chlorine. It has been challenging at times to find some of your receptacle but interesting with your creative ideas how to hide them. Our lake is one of the cleanest if not the cleanest lake in Illinois and is partly due to our residence supplying there chlorine. I know that we have made big stride in the 10 years that I have been on the lake on improving not just water quality but commitment that our residents are taking to improving their homes. Sunset Lake is a great place to live and I'm glad I'm part of it. Also talked about fund raisers for the fireworks and getting the funds in.

SHORELINE & BOAT DOCKS COMMITTEE-ROGER WINTERLAND: Roger Winterland stated he was appointed in May 2017 replacing Paul Hlatko since he moved off the lake. Since then I made 10 contact on rip rap of which 3 were major violations all but 1 have been take care of. The one outstanding has been in contact with me on the arrangements to take care of it. Had 3 contacts on dock issues one had been taken care of. The second one in question due to health issues. He assisted Jim Finchum with 11 lot inspections and 3 ground issues. The ground issues have been addressed and improved. I am happy to report that the rip rap and docks on the lake are in good shape but is an ongoing process. I would like to thank all lease holders involved for their cooperation. I would like to also thank all lease holders whom have made improvements. I wanted to thank all volunteers on the lake for their help in keeping lake grounds and shorelines in good shape and looking good. Thank you to Jim Wilson in his efforts to doing the same & Kristy for all her efforts to handle problems.

WATER QUALITY & CONSERVATION-BILL WALKENBACH: Bill Walkenbach stated he didn't have a lot to report this year because it has been an excellent year for overall lake water quality and usability. We didn't spray for weeds or algae this summer since we did not have an overabundance of either. Every time the algae looked like it might take off and produce a big bloom we ended up with a good rain to wash it out of the lake. The weeds seem to be positively reacting to our lake drawdowns and haven't been in abundance this year. There is a little bit of pond weed in some of the shallows and that's about it. The heavy sunny rains have also helped with this since the rains make the water more turbid so the sunlight can't penetrate to the deeper waters to allow for plant growth. I saw several homeowners this year pulling weeds and algae out from their shorelines. I commend you for those efforts, we need to remember the lake is a natural being, it isn't a pool, we must maintain it to what we feel we are comfortable with at our homes. Using pesticides without the proper training is dangerous and can cause severe impact to the lake. If you are pulling weeds and algae out I encourage you to compost that material and get it away from the lake shore. That said I will also caution you to not burn leaves on or near the lake shore, the ashes or dying plants will contribute additional nutrients to the lake that can be used by plants and algae next year. And I would like to thank John Kemp & Roger Winterland for going out with the EPA to learn the sampling & taking it over from Paul.

FINANCE (APPROVAL OF 2018 BUDGET) – BOB SONS: Bob Sons stated we had to raise the assessment this year due to 3 projects. The spillway, more culverts that John has planned to correct and to rip rap the island when they drop the lake this year. The 60.00 extra will generate about 19,000.00 and that will go towards those projects. Few funds in reserve for resurfacing the dam probably about 30,000.00.

*Upon a motion made by Don Burgess and seconded by Jeanette Earley to except the budget as proposed. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS –None

NEW BUSINESS –. John Kemp stated that anyone with new business for the Annual Meeting that it needs to be brought up at a board meeting before it can be put on the agenda.

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS – President John Kemp mentioned the following director's term will expire this year **Bill Urban, Norm Brand & Jim Finchum And for 2 year Roger Winterland.** Nominated were:

For 2 year term: Roger Winterland nominated by John Kemp and seconded Dan Roseberry

For 3 year term:

Norm Brand nominated by John Kemp and seconded Deb Thompson

Bill Urban nominated by John Kemp and seconded Deb Thompson

Jim Finchum nominated by John Kemp and seconded Frank Mineo

Deb Thompson nominated George Murphy and seconded Norm Brand

Joyce Munie nominated Amy Walkenbach and seconded Christine Davis

**John Kemp a motion was made to close the nominations and seconded by Bill Urban.

Elected was Roger Winterland for 2 year term and 3 year term was Norm Brand, Bill Urban & Debbie Thompson.

ADJOURNMENT - Upon motion by Norm Brand and, second by Linda Urban the meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 11:42p.m.

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New officers elected at the Annual Meeting for the 2017-2018 were John Kemp- President, Norm Brand Vice President, & Debbie Thompson Treasurer.

OFFICERS FOR 2017-2018

- **PRESIDENT – (John Kemp)**
- **VICE PRESIDENT – (Norm Brand)**
- **TREASURER –(Debbie Thompson)**