

HARVEYS LAKE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

JANUARY 14, 2025

The Harveys Lake Environmental Advisory Council was held on Tuesday, January 14, 2025 at the General Municipal Authority Building, Harveys Lake, Pa. Chairman Jason Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL: Present –Jason Miller, Ian Barchock, Maureen Devine, Sid Halsor and Councilman Lew Evans

Absent –Jerry Brown and Mike Daley A quorum was present. Audience – 2 Robinn Mikalic, Council woman and Santa Agati

READING AND APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: December 10, 2024 Minutes . Motion to accept made by Sid Halsor, seconded by Ian Barchock. All in favor, motion passed.

INCOMING COMMUNICATIONS: Citizen’s Bank Statement – December 31, 2024 - \$2331.72

OUTGOING COMMUNICATIONS: December 10, 2024 Minutes and January 14, 2025 meeting reminder notices sent to Board Members.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD: Santa Agati asked about streetlights around the lake. Some discussion followed.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1) Hydrilla – No updates
- 2) Algae Blooms - No updates
- 3) Stream between Beach Club and Fish & Boat Commission. Councilman Lew Evans said everything put on hold until Spring 2025.
- 4) Boat Cleaning Stations AIS boxes- Sid Halsor has installed sign at Boat Launch. Sign was in box.
- 5) Other business –
 - a) Recycling – Jason Miller – Councilman Evans asked for tonnage bill.
 - b) DAMA Composting – Jason Miller stated they have limited hours during winter.
 - c) Maureen Devine – Flyers water quality –Lew Evans suggested copies should be put at local colleges. Maureen Devine did update pictures, sent to PDF. She made adjustments per Sid Halsor. After hit QR Code you can go into different items. Last paragraph – 2015 fertilizer letter. Update letter send to Council Ordinance #1-1997. Maureen talked to Wilkes University and Misericordia University. Ian Barchock suggested post in Labar’s , Laumeyers , and HL Power Sports. Sid Halsor said we should laminate it and post at Boat Launch kiosk.

- 6) Well Water Testing – Mike Daley – no updates – possibly Spring
- 7) Mayor Rush – photo of EAC Board Members
- 8) Ideas for funds for Hydrilla – DEP declined our application.
- 9) Maureen Devine looked into Luzerne Foundation. The board had some questions. She posed them to the Luzerne Foundation, but has had no update. We can set up account with their help. A shoreline homeowners association was discussed. Contribute/donate environmentally to keep Harveys Lake water clean, clear and safe. Donators would be an approved tax deduction – get receipt 501C3 Foundation.
- 10) Party after January 14th meeting. Meet & Greet Council members.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Email PALMS (Pa Lake Management Society) Set for March 5th & 6th, 2025 – State College. Maureen Devine attended the PALMS at Wilkes University.
- 2) Ian Barchock discussed dock de-icers/ice eater/bubblers. There is no enforcement. There was a nice posting on Facebook about the ice on the lake and Ian may repost it.

Remarks from the floor (ask for any remarks from the public) if anyone wants to speak, ask them to stand, state name and area they live in. They have 5 minutes to speak- None

ADJOURNMENT: Next meeting is on February 11, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. Chairman Miller asked for motion to adjourn. Ian Barchock made motion, seconded by Sid Halsor. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Sult, EAC Secretary