

Hi-Land Lake Property Owners' Association

Monthly Association Meeting via Zoom

March 4, 2024

In attendance:

Ron Connelly

Ken Ruszkowski

Gale Frentz

Kathy Weaver

Mark Haddlesey

Tony Wachocki

Not in attendance:

Gary Wojnaroski

Dustin Anderson

Samantha Napier

Guest:

Cynthia Roost

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm

Approval of the minutes

Ken Ruszkowski indicated that the information in the minutes that reported that the electrical line to the association building was replaced was incorrect. The line had been cleared by Edison. Also, Kathy Weaver noted that the Breakfast with the Bunny was on March 30, 2024, not March 31, 2024.

A motion was made by Ken Ruszkowski, seconded by Tony Wachocki to approve the minutes from the February 6, 2024, meeting with the changes, The motion was approved.

Approval of the Agenda

A motion was made by Kathy Weaver, seconded by Tony Wachocki to approve the agenda. The motion was approved.

Reports

Treasurer's Report

Kathy Weaver updated the group on bills paid since the last meeting. She also discussed the 2024 dues collection, outstanding dues from previous years and ongoing payment plans. She is in the process of updating the January financials.

Roads/Dredging/ Sunset Bridge

Two loads of stone for the roads are waiting to be distributed reported Ron Connelly. This should be done in the near future.

A discussion followed on an access area on the lake and the ownership of the property. Various actions were discussed by the group, but it was decided to table the discussion for now. It may be looked at again at the next meeting.

All the permits have been approved to do the dredging of the boat launch and the bridge to the island. Ron Connelly said he has received three bids to do the work. Pricing ranges from \$5,800 to \$9,000 for the dredging companies. In addition, funds will be needed for straw bales, silt fencing and moving the removed material.

A motion was made by Ken Ruszkowski, seconded by Tony Wachocki for Ron Connelly to contract with the Dewitt company to do the dredging of the boat launch. The motion was approved.

In addition, a motion was made by Ken Ruszkowski, seconded by Tony Wachocki to allocate \$3,500 for purchasing hay bales, silt fence and hauling of the dredged materials. The motion was approved.

Discussion followed on the cost to do the dredging under the bridge to the island. Ron Connelly said the bids to do the dredging under the bridge were \$35,000 and \$45,000. In addition, there would also be costs for limestone, silt fence and removal of the dredged material.

Mark Haddlesey said when the Lake Board meets again, he will see if they have funds to help support the dredging effort.

Ron Connelly explained that the Sunset bridge is 20 years old and needs to be inspected. Without the inspection, companies may refuse to cross the bridge if their trucks are carrying heavy loads. Ron has scheduled an inspection for later this week.

Building

The furnace is not working in the Association building and the repair person is coming tomorrow to fix it. Ken Ruszkowski will follow up on the additional lighting and the exit signs that have been discussed.

Lake Board

Mark Haddlesey reported that the Board has not met but is in the process of scheduling a meeting.

Water levels are going up on March 15, 2024.

Facebook/website

Tony Wachocki indicated that here is nothing new to report.

Community Activities

Kathy Weaver reported that the chili cook off is scheduled for March 9, 2024. She is looking to possibly add euchre or cornhole to the cook off day activities.

The Easter party is scheduled for Saturday, March 30, 2024. She is looking for volunteers to help with the planning and implementation.

She will continue to work on getting corn hole events organized.

Hydrants

Ron Connelly has a meeting next week with the fire department, county road authority and the township about the hydrants. He will begin preparation for the locations to get them ready for installation.

Short Term Rentals

Kathy Weaver indicated that there is no new update at this time.

Break-ins

Ron Connelly led a discussion on the series of break-ins and stolen vehicles around the lake. He indicated that it may have been an organized group that has hit other areas in Southeast Michigan. Keeping car doors, home doors and windows locked to discourage thieves was suggested.

Next meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 9, 2024. The meeting will be held in person at the Association building.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Ken Ruszkowski, seconded by Tony Wachocki to adjourn the meeting.

The motion was approved. The meeting concluded at 8:40 pm.