



## Taconic Shores Property Owners Associations, Inc.

### 2021 Spring Newsletter

#### Volunteer Opportunity

The board voted at its regular meeting of February 19<sup>th</sup> to establish the standing committees of Budget & Finance and Building Committee. Budget & Finance will be chaired by Gary Plotch and Building will be chaired by Joe Simeone.

The Budget & Finance Committee will assist the Treasurer by reviewing budget requests and financing options and through the Treasurer make recommendations to the board.

The Building Committee will review Building permit and variance applications and make recommendations to the board for approval.

If interested in any of these opportunities, please complete the [Committee Application](#) form located on our website on the Documents and Forms page, and send it to the office.

#### Update on the Dam.

Core samples are being taken to determine the composition of the inside of the dam and to verify the applied shotcrete met the project specifications. This information will be used to determine the products which can be used to address the cracking where seepage has occurred and what products may be used to fill the voids found inside the dam.

#### 2021 Seasonal Plan for the Lake

The weed harvesting permit has been approved for removal of invasive vegetation to allow for swimming, boating and fishing. The small harvester is being repaired and enhanced and is expected to be water ready by May. The large harvester has had extensive maintenance to the cutting head and conveyor and will also be ready by May. These boats are schedule to go into the water around mid-May

given the water is at the recreational level. The boats will be able to skim the lake but may not begin cutting until June 15th. The boats will be off-loading and docking at the boat launch between 1040 & 1048 Lakeview road. This year harvesting is expected to be similar to the years prior to last year meaning cattails will not be the main focus. The full return of nuisance invasive vegetation to the areas from the Dam to the Island bridge and from Beach one to Beach three and around the Island are expected. Beaches are expected to re-open and will thus be the first priority followed by boat launches and navigational routes across and around the lake. Cattails will be cut as they occur within the navigational routes and if they reappear in the areas where they were cut last season.

Pending adoption of the budget by the membership: A hydro-raking permit is being sought to allow a navigational route to be restored in the northeast section beginning at about 1276 Lakeview road and heading back to 1292 Lakeview road. If approved, this work will begin after June 15th and may continue into August. This debris will be offloaded at the boat launch between 1062 & 1072 Lakeview road.

Pending adoption of the budget by the membership: A boom, a netting device to catch harvested floating debris, will be purchased and used to pick up floating residual harvested materials. This will be a trial year of operation as the most effective process is worked out.

### **Do you need a Building Permit?**

Planning to add or replace a dock or deck, repair retaining walls, patios, walkways or exterior stairways, add a shed or garage for the summer? Start your permit process now with the Town of Copake and DEC if applicable, then apply for your TSPOA permit. Review rule XXI Construction and Restrictions, Conditions and Covenants Part I and Part II within the governing documents found online under the News-Resource tab at [www.taconicshores.org](http://www.taconicshores.org).

### **Is your vehicle and boat registered with the TSPOA?**

Vehicles must display TSPOA registration tag in the front window, preferable hanging from the rearview mirror. A new tow operator is now under contract and will be patrolling the TSPOA communal parking lots, beaches, boat launches and roadways. Vehicles parked in these areas without tags may be towed, at your expense.

All members boats used on Robinson Pond must be registered and have a current tag on the bow of the boat. In 2021, boats will have to have a registration tag on both sides of the bow. RENTERS may not use their own boats on Robinson Pond.

### **Did you leave your boat at a boat launch after Nov.1st?**

Boats left at the communal boat launches after November 1st have been taken to the Maintenance Garage and are locked up. In the Spring, a pickup date will be established. Prior to picking up a boat, a \$250 retrieval fee will have to be paid. Boats not retrieved will be auctioned off later in the year.

### **Bringing a Camper On Premise?**

Campers may only be brought on premise for 72 hours before a trip and 72 hours after a trip and they must display a PERMIT issued by the office. Email the office at least two weeks prior to the date of your trip and a permit will be issued for packing and unpacking.

### **Are you picking up after your pet?**

If you walk your dog off your property, than you must pick up their poop even if they poop on an empty lot or in a wooded area. Failure to pick up your pet's excrement will result in a rule violation fee

if the incident is documented and reported to the office. Pets must also be leashed at all times when off their owner's property and are not allowed on beaches or in the playground area.

### **How to make a complaint or report a rule violation?**

Complaints may be made by completing the TSPOA complaint form on our website on the Documents and Forms page. The complaint will be reviewed by the Executive Committee, investigated and a response generated. Process may take up to three weeks, but resolutions may take much longer especially if it becomes a legal matter.

### **How to ask a question (s) for the board?**

Email the office at [office@taconicshores.org](mailto:office@taconicshores.org) , call 518-621-2341 or mail a letter to TSPOA at 53 Lake Shore Drive, Copake, NY 12567.

### **Dates to make note off may be found on the website calendar under the Community page. Highlights below:**

April 16<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm - Board Meeting

April 17<sup>th</sup> 10:00am – Member General Meeting

May 11<sup>th</sup> – Leaf Pick up begins – 30 gal. paper bags may be purchased thru the office. \$.60/bag or at any home store. Pickup is on Tuesdays unless Monday is a holiday then pickup will be on Wednesday.

June 2<sup>nd</sup> – Last Day of Leaf Pick up

June 18<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm – Board Meeting

June 19<sup>th</sup> – 10:00am Member Informational Meeting

July 1<sup>st</sup> – Last day written Nominations for the board may be received by the Office.

Around July 15<sup>th</sup> – Look for ballots to elect new board members for Sections 1, 6, 7, & 8. Ballots will only be sent to members who own one of the following lots: 1-43, 100-176, 421-437, 481-596, 600-668, Tract 2 & Tract 3.

July 16<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm – Board Meeting