

DUCK LAKE PENINSULAR SHORES ASSOCIATION
Annual Meeting
5:00 p.m. at the Pavilion
Meeting Minutes
September 7, 2024

I. Call to order

Ken Schonhoff, President, called to order the annual meeting of the DLPSA at 5:00 p.m. on September 7, 2024 at the pavilion.

II. Introductions and Opening Comments

Ken Schonhoff, President, made introductions of the board members and gave a brief explanation of what the board has been accomplishing over the last year. We have new golf parking signs at the boat launch and the beautification committee has done some plantings. We appreciate all the volunteers helping with the resurfacing of the basketball/pickle ball court. Special recognition to Paul Johnson for all of his many days of labor and items for the newly opening of the fireplace in the pavilion.

III. Guest Speaker: Marv Radtke, Green Lake Township Supervisor

Marv briefly reviewed all the improvements and changes happening in Green Lake Township. Marv reported that there are going to be some improvements in the area along U.S. 31 including a round-a-bout at Interlochen corners with detours to allow the MDOT to make their improvements starting in 2025. Our township is setting a precedence as a leading-edge source for all residents to enjoy. Marv also discussed the ongoing concerns for our lake levels and that there may be some changes coming about that will significantly improve our monitoring and stability of our lake levels.

Guest Speaker: John Roth, State Representative

John Roth gave us a brief overview of the areas he represents. He also is on the Transportation Committee so we discussed the very much needed road improvements here on Duck Lake Peninsula. We have 270 residents and greatly contribute to the tax base so we hope that he can aid us with receiving much needed improvements to our roads. John also stated that MDOT is planning on making improvements to the East Duck Lake Road and U.S. 31 intersection by leveling it out more and straightening it to create a much safer intersection. We may also see some changes with tip wage workers and paid time off for part timers some time in 2025.

IV. Secretary's Report/Roll Call

Cynthia Howard, Secretary, conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: Ken Schonhoff, Kenneth Chamberlain, Paul Johnson, Kathy Bickel, David Marsh and Cynthia Howard as board members. Also, we had about 30 active members present. Cynthia Howard, Secretary, reported minutes had been approved prior to meeting. All minutes are posted on our website DLPSA.net

V. Treasurers' Report

Kathy Bickel, Treasurer, presented a detailed expense report thus far for fiscal year 2024-2025. The report was presented to the floor for questions and concerns. Kathy also presented a current budget and treasurers report. We do have a couple long term goals to some day replace the roof on the pavilion and update the shuffleboard court surfaces. We are talking about adding these items to our annual dues' invoices if any of our members would like to make donations to these future projects.

VI. Election of Officers

We have 4 directors up for renewal this year, Paul Johnson, Kenneth Chamberlain, David Marsh, and Kathy Bickel. Glenn Murray asked to be put on the ballot prior to the annual meeting. We opened the floor to any active members wishing to be nominated and a write-in on the ballot. Chris Blake nominated himself as a write in. The ballots were distributed to those current on their dues with one for each property tax id number. Ballots were gathered for tabulation.

VII. Committee Reports

a) Liaison/Records: Kenneth Chamberlain

Kenneth reported that our website has received 2,900 visitors in the last 12 months. All meeting minutes, directories, park reservations, and newsletters are posted on our website. Events list is on the main page. Chip and Seal along Peninsular Shores is an ongoing request. We have obtained a minor Egle permit to clean up the culvert area along Love Canal and are waiting on approval.

b) Hospitality: Ken Schonhoff and Kathy Bickel

Welcome Packets have been delivered to all new residents that were available. We welcome all new residents to our community.

c) Maintenance: David Marsh

David Marsh has chosen to retire from the board and we all really appreciate all of his efforts he has provided as our maintenance committee leader. The basket/pickle ball court has been finished and it looks great. Thank you to the volunteers who helped with this endeavor.

d) Water Board: Paul Johnson

Paul has continued to take water samples every couple of weeks and sends them into a lab for analysis. Eurasian milfoil, e-coli, and other bacteria are monitored. PLM surveys Duck Lake twice a summer. In 2023 they found 29 acres of Eurasian Milfoil and treated them. This summer PLM found and treated 17 acres. All levels of E-coli, Eurasian Milfoil, and Phosphorus are within safe zones. Paul has stepped down from his position on the Green Lake and Duck Lake Association and therefore Kenneth Chamberlain will now begin with the water sampling and tested responsibilities. Thank you, Kenneth. Green Lake and Duck Lake Association continues to pay for these water samples and their testing.

e) Newsletter: Jeff Beaton

Jeff Beaton invited all residents to feel free to send in articles, pictures, etc. to make our newsletter even better. Once again, Jeff continues to provide all of us with an awesome newsletter each spring and fall. Thank you to all that contribute

VIII. Election of Officers Results.

- a) Four spots up for renewal on the DLPSA Board were filled with Paul Johnson, Kathy Bickel, Kenneth Chamberlain, and Chris Blake. Welcome to our board Chris. Thank you for your service.

IX. Current Business

- a) Paul Johnson reported that our new Duck Lake Merchandise website will be up and running by October 1, 2024.
- b) Our pavilion fireplace is refurbished and ready for your enjoyment. Thank you so much Paul Johnson. We are wondering if anyone artistic would like to paint a mural above the fireplace. Dan Pelton has shown an interest in adding a metal mantel with legs for us also.
- c) We all welcome to our community our new residents.
- d) We are having our 4th annual "Trunk or Treat" at Schworm Park this year October 26, 2024. All residents are invited to join us for a fun filled evening.
- e) We will be having our annual end of summer "Meet and Greet" September 21, 2024, at Sunset Beach. We look forward to seeing lots of you.
- f) "Toys for Tots" will be held again this year at Schworm Park and we will let you know the date of collection. We have been very successful with this great opportunity to help others in need.
- g) We will be having our 4th annual "Lights-Up Contest" this year. We invite all members to participate and will be purchasing a plaque to display the winners in the Pavilion. Good luck everyone. We will be having another hay ride and campfire this year as last year was so much fun. We are planning on December 14, 2024.
- h) We have many walkers, bikers, and small sport vehicles out here on the island with lots of vehicle traffic. Please respect each other as we enjoy our community.
- i) This was a wonderful positive annual meeting and we look forward to another year of a strong community. Sara Cockrell gave a presentation on her volunteering to teach cross country skiing again this year to younger kids and would like to see some others help her with this as it is a great fun adventure. I hope everyone enjoyed our raffle of Gift Certificates and hats! Congrats winners!!

X. Adjournment/Bonfire

Ken Schonhoff, President, adjourned the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

Next General Meeting: May 17, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Cynthia Howard

Minutes approved by: Board approved.