

# **DUCK LAKE PENINSULAR SHORES ASSOCIATION**

## **Spring Meeting**

**5:00 p.m. at the Pavilion**

## **Meeting Minutes**

**May 18, 2024**

### **I. Call to order**

Ken Schonhoff, President, called to order the Annual Spring Meeting of the DLPSA at 5:00 p.m. on May 18, 2024 at the pavilion. Ken made introductions of our board members and opening comments on the current updates that have been done thus far and ongoing projects to enhance our community.

### **II. Roll call**

Cynthia Howard, Secretary, conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: Ken Schonhoff, Paul Johnson, Kathy Bickel, Kenneth Chamberlain, David Marsh and Cynthia Howard representing the board. Jeff Beaton was unable to attend. We also had about 30 residents in attendance.

### **III. Guest Speakers:**

We had Logan Turner and Zack Walters from the Department of Natural Resources join us. They spoke of the current laws regarding watercraft requirements and usage on our lakes. There are some changes so please go to their website and be aware of your responsibilities as you enjoy our wonderful lake activities available to us. Thank you both for taking questions and speaking to our residents of Duck Lake Peninsula.

### **IV. Secretary's Report**

Cynthia Howard, Secretary, stated that all minutes have been board approved and uploaded to our website.

### **V. Treasurer's Report**

Kathy Bickel, Treasurer, provided the April 30, 2024, treasurer's report to our members present. The balance as of May 1, 2024, is \$14,849.12. The annual dues invoices have been sent out and they are due May 31, 2024. Kathy also presented the 2023-2024 budget actuals for us to review. The 2024-2025 budget was also presented for questions and input. Thank you, Kathy.

### **VI. Committee Reports**

#### **Liaison/Website/Records Keeper**

Ken Chamberlain reported that he has updated our directories on DLPSA.net and you can search by address, lot number or name. He will be adding a store page for the purchase of Duck Lake Merchandise which will be available within the next few weeks. There will also be a link to the Green Lake and Duck Lake Association which is GLADLA.org

## **Hospitality**

Ken Schonhoff and Kathy Bickel reported that we have been handing out welcome packets to our new residents. Memorial Plaques are available to those who wish to remember any loved ones for a donation of \$400. These funds will be used to further improve our community. Our annual garage sale will be June 1, 2024, 9:00 a.m. through 4:30 p.m. We have had three new residents in the last year here on the peninsula.

## **Maintenance**

David Marsh reported that the tennis/pickle ball court has been cleaned and the mold removed to protect one of our great assets. The shuffleboard court has also been cleaned. Our new entrance sign is up as you drive onto the peninsula. David has also restored the Bulletin Board. The basketball court will be getting new painted lines along with new nets. We will be restoring the culvert at Love Canal this summer to its original function to allow healthy water flow from the north to the south again.

## **Water Board**

Paul Johnson continues taking samples every 2 weeks and having them tested depending upon the testing needed. These tests are paid for by Duck Lake/Green Lake Townships. They include phosphorus levels, e-coli levels, and clarity of water. Paul met with the drain commissioner, Andy Smits, to discuss ongoing lake level concerns. We still have 17 feet visibility on Duck Lake. The drain commissioner Andy Smits is coming up for election and thus far Ron Clous is also running for this position. Senate Bill 622 is going to be voted on May 23<sup>rd</sup> which covers a court established ruling on lake levels.

## **Newsletter**

Ken Schonhoff reporting for Jeff Beaton who was not able to attend, informed us that the Spring Newsletter has been sent out.. Thank you to all contributors for making this another great newsletter.

## **VII. Current Business**

1. Our new Duck Lake Peninsula Merchandise will be available within 60 days and residents will be able to order directly from the web site. This will allow everyone to pick and choose whatever they would like and have it shipped directly to their home.
2. Paul Johnson has been investing a lot of labor and time in restoring our pavilion fireplace which will again be available for enjoyment. Thank you, Paul.
3. We have formed a Beautification Committee for doing some plantings at our Welcome Sign, easements and park areas. Please contact any of the board members if you are interested in helping with this endeavor. The association will pay the expenses for doing this.
4. We hope that everyone enjoys using the William P. Happ Boat Ramp this year. This is a great asset for all our association members and we want to keep it private as always. We

would like members to take their trailers and vehicles to their residence, if possible, to avoid congestion at the ramp. We also have made it easier as we will allow golf carts for this purpose as long as you park them up on the hillside and not obstruct the boaters launching and pulling out.

5. Upcoming Duck Lake Peninsula Events:
  - Peninsula Garage Sale – June 1, 2024
  - Whiffle Ball Games (First one is June 15, 2024)
  - Summer Solstice Celebration – June 20, 2024 at Sunset Beach Park
  - 4<sup>Th</sup> of July Peninsula Parade
  - Annual Picnic – July 20, 2024
6. We will be purchasing two portable Disc Golf cages for your enjoyment at Schworm Park.
7. “Raffle of Duck Lake Merchandise” presented 2 gift certificates and Duck Lake hats to the raffle winners. Congrats.

#### **VIII. Open Discussion/New Business**

1. Members discussed the Garlic Mustard found out here on the peninsula. It is encouraged to remove this as it is very intrusive and can cause issues with our other vegetation.
2. We addressed some questions regarding the culvert clean up to members. We are just restoring it to its original function.
3. Fireworks this year are unknown.
4. Our next General Meeting is September 7, 2024.

#### **IX. Adjournment**

Ken Schonhoff, President, adjourned the meeting at p.m.6:30

Minutes submitted by: Cynthia Howard

Minutes approved by: Board approved.