

**MINUTES OF 2003 ANNUAL MEETING OF
HOGBACK LAKE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION**

The 2003 annual meeting of the Hogback Lake Property Owners Association was held at the Rose Lake Township Hall, Leroy, Michigan on Saturday, July 5, 2003, at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to Notice of Meeting mailed to all known members and as posted on the Rose Lake Township Hall on June 3, 2003.

The following officers were present:

Mike Barnette, Chairperson
Mike Curnett, Vice-Chairperson
Clorinda Starlin, Secretary-Treasurer

and approximately 31 members.

Chairperson, Mike Barnette, called the meeting to order at 10:06 and explained the purpose of the Association for the benefit of any new members.

The minutes and treasurer's report of the 2002 meeting were approved as filed.

Ott Shaw spoke to the members, indicating that the boards are in the same place they have been, but the water level didn't get high enough this year for the boards to do anything.

Ott and Ed Ysseldyke measured the levels of Little Hogback and Big Hogback and both are around 31 inches down as of June 30, 2003 and another 4" from last week. Little Hog is low, but is 6' higher than Big Hogback.

There was much additional discussion about the lake and the level and what can or cannot be done with regard to the level. There is no way to maintain a constant level due to rain and snow or lack of rain and snow. When the drain tube was put in, the Drain Commissioner said not to set a permanent level. There are no known artesian wells in the area that would help with the lake level.

Motion by Diane Brady and seconded by Steve Ripley that if someone believes their property is at risk due to the lake level, they should contact the board and the board will make the decision to remove a board. A vote was held and the vote was unanimous to leave the boards as placed pursuant to the resolution of the 2002 annual meeting, i.e. "all boards should stay in the drain until the water reaches the 8 inch level. At that time, boards should be removed until the 6 inch level is seen. Once the 6 inch level is maintained, the boards should be replaced".

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Ott did come up with a solution to solve the low water problem and has figured out that if there are 200 people around the lake and figuring each person's property size and the size of the lake and how much an acre of water holds, somehow each property owner would need to put 73,311.75 gallons of water into the lake and it would be back to normal. Please don't quote me (or Ott) on this because I'm not sure I got all of the figures correct – Call Ott and ask him – it's fascinating!!


The Chairperson asked for new business. Mr. Wheelock requested information on a muskrat problem, the lake spraying issue and an issue of young jet ski drivers was also discussed. It was also pointed out, that these were not really matters pertaining to our association, but could be discussed after the association meeting.

The next item of business was the election of officers. The present officers agreed to remain as officers for the next year. Accordingly, the following officers were re-elected:

Mike Barnette, Chairperson
Mike Curnett, Vice-Chairperson
Clorinda Starlin, Secretary-Treasurer
Joanne Piechocki, Alternate

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Clorinda Starlin, Secretary-Treasurer