

MINUTES OF 2012 ANNUAL MEETING OF HOGBACK PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

The 2012 annual meeting of Hogback Lake Property Owners Association was held at the Rose Lake Township Hall, Leroy, Michigan on Saturday, July 7, 2012, at 9:00 a.m. pursuant to Notice of Meeting mailed to all known members and as posted on the Rose Lake Township Hall on May 28, 2012.

The following officers were present:

Mike Higgins, President
Ed Ysseldyke, Vice-President
Bob Richards, Treasurer
Clorinda Starlin, Secretary

and the following members of the current Board of Directors: Ott Shaw, Ed Ysseldyke, Mike Warren, Dan Beachnau, and an additional 13 members.

President, Mike Higgins called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

Gene Powers made a motion, seconded by Lou Higgins that the 2011 minutes be approved as submitted. Upon vote taken, the same was unanimously approved with no objections or corrections.

Gene Powers made a motion, seconded by Kevin Hackett that the 2011 Treasurer's Report be approved with Bob Richards indicating a correction should be made that the report reflect that it was the **2011** Treasurer's Report and not 2010 report as submitted. Upon vote taken, the same was unanimously approved with the minor correction of changing the date from 2010 to 2011 to reflect the correct reporting period.

President Higgins asked for reports regarding the lake level. He indicated he knew that Ott, Ed and Bob check the level. Currently all the boards are in and have been in for quite a while. President Higgins indicated that our current procedure is that if the lake level gets too high, boards are taken out and if it gets too low, boards are put back in.

President Higgins stated that there was a wash out at one point, "but some criminal guys stuck a beach ball in the hole and it sealed it up pretty good." He also stated there may have to be some maintenance to that area in order to control the water level a little bit better; even with the beach ball in place, it's still leaking just a bit.

The President asked for new business.

Lou Higgins spoke on the many activities going on today, starting with the Kiddie's Parade at noon, asking that all motorized boats stay off the lake until 1:00 to allow the kids to complete their parade around the lake; the Piggy Poker Run would run from 1:00 until 3:00. Higgins' house would be the first stop and there are 5 stops total. Once you get your information from the Higgins' stop, you could complete the rest of the stops in any order. Additionally, contributions are still being accepted for the fireworks and the luminaries if you want to buy those.

With respect to the fireworks, we are asking that all boats and pontoons stay away from the fireworks. Eric is licensed and there are regulations as to how far away boats must stay.

President Higgins reminded everyone that Ott Shaw collects money for the fish planting. Perch were planted this year. He heard of a 26" Walleye being pulled out of the lake; the guy won't say where he caught it! Ott stated 300 Perch were planted this year, 4" to 6". They have to be planted in the spring.

Additional new business: Treasurer Bob Richards stated that the way the bank is working with the association now is that they are charging us a one time \$25.00 fee to be able to do banking business on line instead of getting the statements by mail and charging \$3.00 per month, so it will be a little cheaper to do it on line.

Lou Higgins reminded everyone that Kevin Hackett continues to maintain our association website, but there is a cost. Kevin is charged \$170.00 for the hosting part of the website. There is also a charge for the registration for the site. Kevin has paid that for the next 2 years, but he said he has three sites and will allocate the amount for just our site. While Kevin has not asked for reimbursement, it was agreed to reimburse him for those expenses once he has advised the amount of those charges. Also, Kevin indicated he will have to re-design our website which he hopes to find time to start, possibly in August.

For those of you who are new to the lake, or don't have that information, our association website is: hogbacklake.org.

Mike Higgins indicated he has noticed a lot more paddle boats in the middle of the lake with kids swimming off of them. It's a concern with more people swimming in the middle of the lake. He would just ask that everyone not only watch for them, but also to let your neighbors know that when the sun goes down in the evening in certain parts of the lake, you really can't see them. Just be on the lookout for them.

The next item of business was the election of officers. Lou Higgins made a motion to keep the current officers. The motion was seconded by Dan Beachnau. Upon vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The following persons were elected to the following positions for the next two years:

Mike Higgins, President
Ed Ysseldyke, Vice-President
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With respect to the fish planting, if anyone has a preference as to which fish to plant, if they are available, please let Ott Shaw know. Ott said his pastor caught an 11" and 11-1/2" Walleye; they put them both back. One was full of eggs. Also a 10-1/2" Blue Gill was caught which was kind of big for our lake. Ott also said there have been reports of guys catching 20 to 21 pound channel cat fish, using bacon on a treble hook.

Lou Higgins gave a big "thank you" to Ott and Gene Powers for picking up and planting the fish.

Also, "congratulations to Gene and his son for winning the horseshoe contest and thanks for bringing it back to the south side" (from Lou). Those in attendance from the north side were politely quiet!

New owner, Marianne Berry, indicated her husband, Steve, is shy (and since he was sitting to her immediate right, that comment brought a few chuckles from the audience). She would love to have lake neighbors stop by and introduce themselves. They are part of the Piggy Poker Run and asked how "Hogback Lake" got its name. Ott explained how that came about as he understood it.

Motion to adjourn was made by Gene Powers, seconded by Kevin Hackett. The vote was unanimous to adjourn at 9:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Clorinda Starlin, Secretary

P.S. Please e-mail me your e-mail address (if you don't mind if it is added to the member roster) and any information regarding new owners and/or owners who are no longer around, i.e. moved, etc. so I can keep my mailing addresses current. I received three mailings back, but the only one I have no information on is: Barbara J. Smith. If anyone has information as to her current address and/or if she no longer owns property on the lake, please let me know. Thanks. Clorinda. My e-mail address is: chloiemae1964@yahoo.com.