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Big Island Restoration P

## Village of Island Lake Lake Management Committee May 5th, 2016 Minutes 3720 Greenleaf Ave. Island Lake, IL 60042

Present: Ken, Paul, Liz, Dave, Joe, Jennifer (Absent – Greg, Fred) Guests: Peter Nelson, Eric Nelson

- 1. Meeting called to order at 6:30pm.
- 2. Motion made by P.Meindl and seconded by L. Nelson to approve June 2, 2016 meeting minutes.
- 3. Village Board Meeting Update (K. Wick) Next meeting is July 14. Much of the information from the last meeting will be covered on this agenda.
- 4. OLD BUSINESS
  - a. Little Island Seawall Update: (K. Wick) The seawall on Little Island is complete along with the Highland Drive property. The LMC is very pleased with the results.
  - b. Patrol Boat Update: (K. Wick) The patrol boat is fully equipped and ready to break in which will require 20 hours. LMC will request permission from DNR (if possible) to run the boat on the Fox River in order to break in the engine for longer distances at higher speeds. The police department is working on getting officers certified. Two LMC members are certified. The shore station needs to be modified to accommodate the boat. This will require minimal labor and material.
- c. Weed Treatment Update: (K.Wick) Clarke's assessment of the chemical treatments reflects positive results. LMC members were provided a copy of the Post Plant Survey. A few invasive weeds are lightly present and will be treated early next year to ensure that they don't become an issue. Additional treatments would incur fees and may not provide satisfactory results. Topical applications are being applied in problem areas by Public Works but only provide temporary effects. A drip system using copper sulfate is being considered. This has to be researched further. Beneficial weeds and algae are present that contribute to the health of the lake.
- d. Financial Review/Update: (P.Meindl) LMC members were provided copies of the end-of-year financials for review. LMC is under budget on most expenses. The Little Island seawall project did go over budget due to some unexpected costs but the additional monies were approved by the Board. The fiscal year ended with a surplus of \$3,788.
- e. Unattended Fishing Poles: (P. Meindl) Illinois state law allows for unattended fishing poles on open water as long as they are marked with owner's name and address. This not only poses a danger to aquatic life but also affects the public using kayaks and other water recreation equipment. LMC will consider proposing a village ordinance that restricts any unattended fishing poles.
- f. Pier/Seawall Repair or Replacement Suggestions, Report and Pictures: (G. Nemeth & J. Villarreal) LMC, by consensus, identified 5 properties with piers and/or seawalls in need of repair or replacement. Photos and addresses will be forwarded to the building inspector for review.
- g. Beach Cleanup-Under the Water: (P. Meindl) LMC will recruit volunteers to clean beaches extending beyond the shoreline and out to the perimeter of the swimming area. Residents have complained of dangerous and/or undesirable debris.
- 5. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Dredging Presentation: (P. Meindl) Inquiry was made regarding the dredging presentation provided by Tower Lakes Lake Committee. LMC decided to wait until board members and residents can be notified and given ample opportunity to attend a viewing of the presentation providing information and promoting lake dredging. LMC will consult with the Army Corps of Engineers for guidance and/or feedback on a dredging project.

b. Lakeshore Property Identification: (P. Meindl) Inquiry was made regarding the omission of lakeshore property identification from the July agenda. Additional discussion regarding lakeshore property identification was postponed and not included on the July agenda due to the absence of the presenting LMC member.

c. LMC Business Cards: (P. Meindl) Inquiry was made regarding LMC business cards. Business cards have been printed and are available to members.

d. Zebra Mussel Monitoring/Red Ear Sunfish: (P. Meindl) Inquiry was made regarding the status of the Zebra Mussel Monitoring Program. LMC will follow up with DNR regarding apparatus used to monitor zebra mussel population and reproduction levels. LMC is contacting various fisheries regarding sufficiently sized red ear sunfish for purchase this fall. Experts believe this species can be effective in reducing zebra mussel populations. Under the guidance of DNR, LMC will be using the entire 2016 fish stocking budget on this particular fish.

e. LMC Website Page: (L. Nelson) Inquiry was made regarding the LMC website page. LMC will follow up with those participating in the content and maintenance of the website.

f. Boat Stickers: (L. Nelson) 462 boat stickers have been purchased leaving only 38 available. More stickers may need to be ordered and the number produced next year will mostly likely be increased.

g. Carp Shocking: (K. Wick) DNR and volunteers successfully removed over 1000lbs of carp averaging 12lbs. in size (Approx 90 carp total). This was done free of charge and the results are superior to a fishing derby. Also free of charge, Midwest Organics recycles the carcasses into compost for the Victory Garden.

h. Boat Sticker Enforcement: (K. Wick) Boat sticker violations should decline with the presence of the patrol boat on the lake. LMC is recommending that the fine for not having a boat sticker be increased to \$100. LMC revisited the need for more stickers, whether for this season or the 2017 season.

- 6. NEXT MEETING: August 4, 2016 at 6:30pm.
- 7. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

a. Peter Nelson – Commented that lake use by kayakers and others with water recreation equipment is increasing. Suggested that the police department check the boat launch more frequently to ensure that the public adheres to regulations. Shared concern about recent incidents of loud and/or offensive noise on or around the lake. LMC stated that these are issues that must be addressed by law enforcement.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

a. Motion by D. Sobieski with second by J. Villarreal to adjourn. Meeting ended at 7:27pm. Minutes submitted by Jennifer Villarreal

*Ken Wick* Chairperson

*Jennifer Villarreal* Secretary

*Fred Burghardt* Member

*Paul Meindl* Member

*Liz Nelson* Member

*Greg Nemeth* Member

*Dave Sobieski* Member

*Joe Villarreal* Member