

Fall General Membership Meeting

Friday, October 6, 2023, 7:00 PM

**Tyrone Township Hall,
8420 Runyan Lake Road, Fenton MI 48430**

Draft Minutes

Pledge of Allegiance

1. Call to order, Introduction of Trustees

Kevin Johnson, Andy Nester and John Fialka absent, quorum present.

2. Meeting Minutes for approval

2.1. Minutes of Spring 2023 General Membership Meeting - Motion to approve by Tom Klekner, seconded by Betty Buchkowski. Motion passed.

3. Treasurer's Reports

3.1. 2023 Report, year to date & forecast

- Weed control \$16,000 budget underspent
- Social Committee, came in under budget
- Property repair, budget \$57,000
- Fireworks budget \$18,000, spent \$18,000
- Property tax – came in under budget
- Expenditures – came in under budget
- Two expenses not on the report, \$14,000 savings from dredging, dock repair is under budget
- When is insurance billed – answer: November, due December
- Mike Czarnota – how much of budget is for lawn maintenance and goose cleanup on island – would like someone to be paid for it, so cleanup is consistent.
 - Asking for volunteers and logistics of getting someone transported to island
 - Brian Horton – could pay someone on the lake to clean up
 - Mike Czarnota made a motion for an outside person to improve maintenance either paid or unpaid. Seconded by Kevin Pritchard. Motion passes.
- Unpaid dues report – 18 lots that have not paid, 8 lots on the lake have a lien on them
- Mike Czarnota would like an update on the blight houses - Some recent work has been done, House on Carmer road could go up for auction in December. Would like the association to sue the landowner, which RLI has been cautioned in the past by our attorney has risk associated with it. Would like the board to revisit the policy and try to push them into foreclosure. Could be very expensive for the board. Would be a last resort.

3.2. 2024 Budget and Dues Proposals, discussion

- Proposed 2024 budget, three different proposals, with different 3 different levels of dues.
- How much money is left for dock repair - \$7500
- Money for dredging – \$13,000 not spent
- Anything not spent at year end goes back into general fund
- Dues were increased last year to fund the dredging and the dock repair

4. Election of trustees

(Nominations must have been received 30 days prior to the meeting)

- Roxanne Kay withdrew nomination for area 2. Members are running unopposed. Rob Coffman made motion to elect 5 trustees by acclamation. Richard Sirna second. Motion passed.

5. Social Committee

- 5.1. Fall Activities - Dean asking for suggestions, changes for next year. Overall positive response from members
- 5.2. 2024 Budget - \$1000 left over from budget. Kevin Pritchard wanted to recognize Dean's efforts , also asking if the bands and expenses going to cost more due to inflation. Per Dean JFQ is not asking for a price increase. Kevin Pritchard motions to increase budget to \$10,000, Mike Czarnota seconds motion passed.

Deanna Cypher has a question about venetian nights. Could there be other ideas aside from the band on the island, and other potential events? Submitted names for bands, just wondering if they were contacted. Answer – yes.

- 5.3. **Introduction of New Members** - Terry Costigan

- 5.4. 50/50 Raffle Drawing - Collected \$222, the prize is \$111, Richard Sirna winner.

6. Drawing for 2024 dues to be waived – winner was Horton.

7. Other / New Business

- 7.1. Appointment of 2023 Audit Committee - Rob Coffin, Kevin Pritchard, Brian Horton volunteered. Motion by Richard Sirna, Tom Kleckner seconded, to appoint the volunteers. Motion passed.
- 7.2. Geese Control Update - Unable to have goose busters because of avian flu. Need help from membership to identify nests. We did try and spray the island to deter the geese, does put a color in the grass that only birds can see. Would like to get approval to treat more often. I must garden goose repellent. Seems to work for weeks. Does not get impacted by grass cutting. Motion requested to authorize RLI Board to apply for goose permit in 2024. Dan Cypher motion, Richard Sirna seconded. Motion passed.
- 7.3. Weed Control Update - Question about timing, we are not permitted to use copper until June. Motion needed for RLI board to apply for permit to treat weeds. Betty Buchkowski motion, Mel Richards seconded. Motion passed.
- 7.4. Fireworks Update, 2024 Budget - Increased budget to \$18,000 to account for increased costs. Concerns about cost for next year and the Saturday night availability. Membership ok with \$18,000 for 2024.
- 7.5. Dock Improvement Update - \$7500 budget approved last fall. Dan Cypher brought up problems from 2018 related to the dock repair, concerned about liability. Mel Richards offered to review as a structural engineer.
- 7.6. Ramp Gate Automation Update - Concern from the membership that gatekeepers are not available. Asking for recommendations to come back to the membership with a proposal. Kevin Pritchard and Tom Kleckner would like to add a combination lock to remove boats from the lake in the fall. Board has concerns but will consider. Rob Coffin volunteered to be a gatekeeper.
- 7.7. Other Business - Lake Urban area preservation and solar farms were discussed.

8. Budget review and approval

- 8.1. 2024 Budget and Dues Proposals, final review & approval – Motion by Richard Sirna to adopt proposal C for dues. Pat Wehrung seconded. Motion passed.

9. Election of Trustees results – Dave Verbeke, Any Nester, Pat Maynard, Mark Waligora, and Ivan Quinn were elected by acclimation.

10. Announcements

- 10.1. Date of Spring General Meeting, 2024: Friday, May 17, 2024
- 10.2. Boat Ramp access – No set hours, contact a trustee

11. Adjournment - Motion to adjourn Pat Wehrung, Seconded by Richard Sirna.

