

HHLA Meeting Minutes May 23, 2023

Board members in attendance: Paul Irving, Mike Bruhl, Jan Siotkowski, Andy Klumb, Tom Andrews, Todd Dunkle and Darryl Lycourt

The meeting was called to order by Paul Irving at 7:00pm

AGENDA:

Approval of the March 16, 2023 Minutes

Paul Irving moved to approve March 16, 2023 minutes, the motion was seconded by Andy Klumb.

Lake Report - P. Irving

- A) 2022 Muckbiotic report reviewed. Overall the results of the study are positive and we are cautiously optimistic that the use of bacteria will be a viable solution. The full report has been emailed to the community and is posted on the website.
- B) Reviewed the 2023 Muckbiotic plan. The plan for 2023 will focus in the same area to see if we can repeat the results from 2022.

Baja Survey Results - P. Irving

Reviewed results of the Baja survey that was sent to the community.

- a) Majority feels nothing should be done with the gazebo at this time. Nothing is planned at this time.
- b) Majority feels grilles should be removed and not replaced. Board will work to have grilles removed.
- c) Majority feels the dock and stairs should be left as is and removed in the winter. No changes to the normal plan at this time.

Baja Leveling - J. Siotkowski

Reviewed work that was recently completed to level the North and South beaches. All work deemed satisfactory at this time but will continue to be monitored.

Baja Landscaping Update - K. Soubeyrand

Karen gave an update on the work at the baja with a focus on the removal of invasive Autumn Olives and also an update on some of the new native plants that have helped foster some further wildlife to visit the baja. A big thanks to Karen Soubeyrand, Eric Lehman, Bethany Neumayer, Farah Wolfe, and Michel Soubeyrand for all of their hard work.

Goose Update - T. Dunkle

Todd updated everyone on the progress of this year's goose egg addling. So far this year 50 eggs have been added from 10 different nests. We will have 1 - 2 more visits before the middle of June to search for more nests.

Water Level - M. Bruhl/P. Irving

The current water level as of 5/23/23 is 8.5 inches above the outlet. P. Irving reviewed the overflow system and further expressed the Lake Association's desire to keep the water level as high as possible. P. Irving to work with J. Rutter to manage the risers.

Financial Report - P. Irving

Despite lower than expected revenues in 2022 from the Villas, the Lake Association was able to decrease expenses to stay within budget. 2023 revenues and expenses are on track.

Rules and Regulations Update - P. Irving

Re-communicated the enhancement of non-lakefront home and villa owners access by allowing them non motorized personal watercraft less than 12 ft in length.

Lawn and Fertilizer Guidelines - P. Irving

Re-communicated importance of following Lawn and Fertilizer Guidelines that can be found on the website. P. Irving emphasized two issues we are seeing in opposition to our guidelines:

- 1) Overfertilization from full service lawn care companies who profit more from early season mowing and increased mowing frequency.
- 2) Grass clippings, leaves, and other organic material being blown into the lake. Please do not blow any organic material into the lake.

Roundtable Q&A

Q - Question was raised regarding electric outboard motors. With the evolution of electric motors there are now more powerful electric motors out there. Is there anything in our by-laws to stop someone from buying an electric speedboat?

A - P. Irving stated that this is already on the board's agenda but reassured the community that the current rules and regulations already call for no wake so this should be the limiting factor.

Q - Question was raised regarding muskrats and if the Lake Association was doing anything to prevent them?

A - P. Irving stated that muskrats are the homeowners liability but he will forward some information from a resident regarding a company they are currently working with.

Q - Question was raised regarding the fish kill and if there were any updates?

A - P. Irving stated that as of the end of last season, Aquadoc recommended letting nature run its course due to the likelihood of a viral infection that was impacting the Largemouth bass. A canvas of the room confirmed that no significant sightings of dead fish have occurred this year but please communicate to the Lake Association if any are found.

Q - Question was raised on why there is nothing currently budgeted for fish stocking?

A - P. Irving stated that generally for a catch and release lake, annual fish stocking should not be necessary however this will be added to our agenda so we can discuss the plans for assessment and stocking in the future.

Elections

- A) HOA - Andy Klumb volunteered to stay on and start a new 3 year term.
- B) Condo - Pat Nowak was elected to replace Todd Dunkle. Thanks to Todd Dunkle for his many years of service and contributions.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted by Joanne Lindsay

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