

Dixie Lake Homeowners' Association (DLHA)

Board Member Meeting Agenda

Tuesday 15.September.2020 7:00pm

1. Call to order Attendees: Barb Mulligan, Mike Mulligan, Paula Lentine-Vining, Christine Smith, Marie Wadecki, Donna Ventimiglia, Jim Ventimiglia, Steve Felix, Ben Holloway, Lisa Hogan, Kurt Bottorf, Bruce Cook, Kurt Garcia, Donna Pauly, Bill Bannister
2. Introductions and Reading / Approval of 14.July.2020 Meeting Minutes Chris Smith made a motion to approve the minutes, Paula Lentine-Vining 2<sup>nd</sup>. Minutes were approved.
3. Treasurers Report: Paula Account balance is \$6891.78
4. Report from Standing Committees
  - a. Membership / Welcome: Barb
    - i. Status, Membership Drive/Annual Dues Payment 77 dues paid
    - ii. New Residents 4 new residents with a welcome pending. Chris Smith volunteered to help greet 3 new residents in her area.
  - b. Newsletter: Paula / Jody to utilize new website for Newsletters? Continuing with email distribution, no plans for a return to printed newsletters.
  - c. Plats Representative: Open Position
    - i. Position Description for Plat Reps
    - ii. Open Plat Rep Positions
      - A. Plat 10: Paul Hensler recently resigned due to his move from Dixie Lake
      - B. Plat 11: has been open for ~2 years since Julie LeBourdais' move from Dixie Lake
  - d. Safety & Education: Open Position, but Bruce McCallum is helping Mike as necessary
    - i. Signs posted at 2 of 3 boat ramps: Welcome, Safe Boating, Fishing
  - e. Social: Jody Begley
    - i. Venetian Night Report 17 boats in the parade and several groups on the shoreline as well. Very good activity!
  - f. Spillway/Dam Summer Maintenance: potential input from residents John Dickie, Carl Erznoznik Question from Bruce Cook about trees growing around the spillway, DLIB report will cover this.
  - g. Ways & Means
    - i. Dixie Lake Spiritwear Update
      - A. Latest Activity: Paula, all \$135 of spirit wear sold since last board meeting.
      - B. Flags: Paula, Steve, all 3 flags left on stock, new order pending.
  - h. Website: Paula / Jody Positive feedback on our website from a few outside sources. Great work by the webmasters!
5. Old Business
  - a. Dixie Lake Improvement Board (DLIB) Update: Donna, Paula
    - i. Status of New Boat Ramp Working with a contractor and negotiating prices.
    - ii. Stump Removal Strategy - target 1 stump on north side of Vinny's island.
    - iii. EverBlue Aquatic Mgt. System for Weed/Muck Remediation/Control – status of investigation Still planning to visit nearby lakes to view system and judge effectiveness, jointly with DLIB. Report should be ready by next board meeting.
    - iv. DLIB personnel changes Steve Felix has applied for the open position and has been endorsed by the DLHA board.
    - v. Weeds Harvesters Contract renewal is up after this season.

vi. **Accumulation of Weeds under grate at Spillway/Dam** Buildup of weeds in the pipe under Dixie is a new concern. An initial investigation has been done, and some weeds were cleared from the pipe. Tree near the dam was left in place for the time being, removal may be considered later. Concern that roots from this tree may damage the dam if removed.

- b. **Fish Stocking Strategy** - looking for interest from Dixie Lake fishing enthusiasts
- i. **Oakland County Healthy Lakes Initiative / CLMP** – Mike Still doing Secchi disc readings for water clarity, and submitting results.

6. **New Business: Mike Mulligan, Jim LeBlanc, Paula Lentine-Vining**

- a. **Purple Loosestrife (invasive species)** seems to be spreading: Patrick Rd., Swamp Rd., etc. **Phragmites (invasive species)** noticed near the dam – may need control later.
- b. **Subscription to Riparian Magazine?** Paula L-V has subscribed and will share with DLHA.

7. **Comments from Non-Board Member Attendees**

Blue-green algae blooms have been confirmed on Dixie lake. Keep dogs and children away from floating green algae. Treatment may not be possible in the short term, due to treatment potentially increasing the release of toxins. Further test results are pending from the state level.

Wake boats damaging the lake bottoms and shorelines was discussed. Some initial studies have been done, and peer reviewed confirmation studies are pending. It is possible that state boating guidelines may change as a result of these studies, more to come on this subject.

Added to the November agenda will be a discussion of adding a “Single File (one boat at a time)” sign at the narrow channel. Many thanks to our island residents for pointing this need out, traffic congestion is always a concern in the channel but a lot of people had no idea boats were going through side by side. Need to decide on exact wording, size, and location. Pricing and approval of expenditure to be considered at a future board meeting.

Discussion about establishing a legal lake level limit. Excessively high water levels can become a problem for many residents. Donna Pauly volunteered to investigate specific requirements and report out at the November board meeting.

8. **Adjournment** Steve Felix made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Paula Lentine-Vining 2<sup>nd</sup>. Meeting was adjourned at 8:34pm

**Next DLHA Board Meeting: Tuesday 10.November.2020 at 7:00p**