

# Hess Lake Improvement Association

## Minutes of the Regular Meeting

September 14, 2020

5:30 pm

### Call to Order/Welcome

The regular monthly meeting of the Hess Lake Improvement Association was called to order by President Rich Bosowski at 5:30 pm on Monday, September 14, 2020 at Brooks Township Hall.

### Roll Call

Members Present:	Rich Bosowski	President / Zone 4 Rep
	Mary Spicer	Secretary / Zone 6 Rep
	Jeff French	Treasurer
	Janella Byrne	Zone 5 Rep
	Terry Roelofs	Zone 7 Rep
	Betty Pennington	Zone 2 Rep
	Pat Bertrand	Alternate

Guests Present: Frank Janusz  
Kathy Castillo  
Steven Rhude  
Carl & Jennie Kuehnel

### Approval of Agenda

**Motion** by President Bosowski, supported by Member Pennington, to approve the September Agenda; motion carried unanimously.

### Approval of Minutes

**Motion** by President Bosowski, supported by Member Pennington to approve the minutes of the Regular HLIA meeting of August 10, 2020; Motion carried unanimously.

### Treasurers Report

Member French discussed the presented the current Treasurers Report.

Checking Account Balance: \$22,626.92

Revenue:	\$12,442.00
Expense:	\$9189.42

CD: \$16,934.53

2021 Membership Signs & Cards have been purchased for \$879.80.

The following Invoice is due for payment:

Bitten & Associates (Officer Insurance)	\$558.00
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**Motion** by President Bosowski, supported by Member Byrne to approve the payment of \$558.00 to Bitten & Associates; Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by President Bosowski, supported by Member Byrne to approve the Treasurers Report as of September 14, 2020; Motion carried unanimously.

235 Members to date

### **Hess Lake Board Report**

President Bosowski updated the Hess Lake Improvement Board Public Hearing (Special Meeting) is scheduled for Thursday, September 17, 2020 at 10am via Zoom.

A hearing notice was mailed to all Hess Lake Residents. Notice Letter Attached.

Public Hearing will take place so Jude, Savin, Progressive, and HLB can inform the public of the findings of the larger study that has been done on the lake for the past year. Public will be able to comment at that time. Later the HLB will vote on which recommendations should be initiated.

Copies of the report were added to the Hess Lake Website and also the Hess Lake Improvement Association Facebook page.

The Hess Lake Improvement Board meeting scheduled for Monday, September 21, 2020 has been canceled. Notice is attached.

### **Web Administrator**

Member Spicer is now an administrator for the Hess Lake website and is working on uploading all the meeting minutes from 2020.

### **Carp**

Member Roelofs will conduct a Carp Shoot. Dates have been set for May 31-June 13, 2021. Volunteers will be needed. Payout will be \$2.00/per Carp.

### **Flares**

In 2021 the purchasing of Flares will be Cash Only, and you must have a Membership card to purchase.

### **Yard Sales**

Hess Lake yard sales date has been set for August 12 – 14, 2021.

HLIA moved the annual yard sales to August from June, based on a poll that was put on Facebook. 39 residents suggested June and 48 residents suggested August.

### **HLIA Sign (at the Boat Landing)**

The HLIA sign was power washed by Sparks Contracting.  
President Bosowski will make contact to have this work finished.

### **Newsletter**

Member Spicer is working on the Fall Newsletter; and still needs the following information:  
Confirmation of Boater Safety date of June 5, 2021.  
Update on the Geese Roundup from Member John VanDam

## **2021 Dates to Remember**

The following dates were set and will go out in the Spring Newsletter:

May 17	HLIA Monthly Meeting
May 28	Men's and Women's Golf Outing
May 31 – June 13	Carp Roundup
June 5	Boater Safety *** TENTATIVE
June 14	HLIA Monthly Meeting
June 19	HLIA Annual Meeting
June 21 – July 4	Flare Sales
July 2	Men's and Women's Golf Outing
July 4	Boat Parade @ Noon
July 4	Ring of Fire @ 10pm
July 12	HLIA Monthly Meeting
August 12-14	Hess Lake Yard Sales
August 16	HLIA Monthly Meeting
September 3	Men's and Women's Golf Outing
September 13	HLIA Monthly Meeting

## **Reminders**

The next HLIA meeting will be Monday, May 17, 2021 at 5:30 pm at the Brooks Township Hall.

## **Communications from the Public**

President Bosowski addressed questions asked by guests relating to Wheeler Drain.

## **Adjournment**

Motion by President Bosowski, supported by Member Bertrand, to adjourn the meeting at 6:47 pm

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Mary Spicer, Secretary

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Thursday, September 17, 2020  
at 10am

**HLB SPECIAL Monthly Meeting (Public Hearing)**  
Via Zoom



**JASON VANDERSTELT**  
**NEWAYGO COUNTY CLERK**

COUNTY BUILDING  
P.O. BOX 885  
WHITE CLOUD, MI 49349-0885

231-689-7235

## **MEETING CANCELLATION NOTICE**

To comply with the Michigan Open Meetings Act 267 of 1976:

The following **Lake Improvement Board MEETING** has been **CANCELLED**:

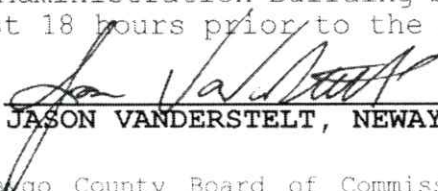
### HESS LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD

**SEPTEMBER 21, 2020 AT 10:00 A.M.**

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This notice was posted by Jason VanderStelt, County Clerk, to comply with Sections 4 and 5 of the Michigan Open Meetings Act (P.A. 267 of 1976 at 11:30 A.M. on SEPTEMBER 3, 2020, in the front entrance of the Administration Building by giving notice for a meeting posted at least 18 hours prior to the start of the meeting.

SIGNED:

  
JASON VANDERSTELT, NEWAYGO COUNTY CLERK

The Newaygo County Board of Commissioners will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon seven (7) days' notice to the County of Newaygo. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact Newaygo County by writing or calling the following:

NEWAYGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATION  
1087 NEWELL STREET PO BOX 885  
WHITE CLOUD MI 49349  
(231) 689-7200



**Hess Lake Improvement Board  
Newaygo County, Michigan**

**HEARING OF PRACTICABILITY AND HEARING OF ASSESSMENT**

TAKE NOTICE that the Hess Lake Improvement Board will hold a public hearing at 10:00 am on Thursday, September 17, 2020 to determine the practicability of a five-year improvement project for Hess Lake. The lake improvement project would include aquatic plant control, watershed management, and administration and contingency. The project would begin in 2021 and continue through 2025, with an annual budget of \$80,500.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a special assessment roll has been prepared and is available for public examination during normal business hours at the office of the Newaygo County Drain Commissioner, 306 S. North Street, White Cloud, MI 49349. Please call the Drain Commissioner's number below to coordinate reviewing the roll due to the coronavirus pandemic. Said special assessment roll has been prepared for the purpose of assessing the cost of the improvement project to benefiting properties.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that, if the project is found practicable, the Hess Lake Improvement Board will hold a public hearing of assessment immediately following the aforementioned hearing of practicability for the purpose of reviewing said special assessment roll and for hearing any objections thereto. An owner of or party with interest in real property to be assessed or his/her agent may appear in person to object to the special assessment or may protest such special assessment by letter filed with the Lake Board at or prior to the time of the hearing, in which case personal appearance is not required. Written objections may be filed with or mailed to the Hess Lake Improvement Board c/o Newaygo County Drain Commissioner, 306 S. North Street, PO Box 885, White Cloud, MI 49349.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that pursuant Executive Order 2020-154 the public hearings will be held on the video and telephone conferencing platform Zoom due to the coronavirus pandemic and applicable executive orders governing indoor gatherings. **The Zoom information to join the hearing is:** Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81037061557> ; Meeting ID: 810 3706 1557; and US Toll-Free Call-in Number: 877-853-5257. Members of the public will be able to offer public comment and input on Zoom.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the owner of or any party with interest in real property within the Hess Lake Special Assessment District who, having protested said special assessment either in person or in writing, may, within thirty (30) days after the confirmation of the special assessment roll has been published in a newspaper of general circulation, appeal such special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal or other court of competent jurisdiction.

The above-referenced hearings are being held pursuant to Part 309 of Public Act No. 451 of 1994, as amended. Should any individual with disabilities require accommodations to join the hearing, please call the Newaygo County Drain Commissioner's Office at 231-689-7213 or use the Michigan Relay Service at 7-1-1 (TDD). Individuals with general questions related to the meeting may also call 231-689-7213.

**POSTED:**  
**AUGUST 26, 2020**  
**2:00 PM**  
**JASON VANDERSTELT**  
**NEWAYGO COUNTY CLERK**

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Newaygo County, Michigan