

Hess Lake Improvement Association

MINUTES of ANNUAL Meeting: June 17, 2023

Location: Brooks Township Hall

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME

The Annual meeting of the Hess Lake Improvement Association was called to order by President Roelofs at 10:02 AM on Saturday, June 17, 2023 at Brooks Township Hall.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Terry Roelofs	President / Zone 7 Rep
Mark Breen	Vice President / Zone 4 Rep
Nancy Calvi	Treasurer / Alternate
Paul Dennis	Secretary / Alternate
Mary Spicer	Media Coordinator / Zone 6 Rep
Larry Hohs	Zone 1
Betty Pennington	Zone 2
Grant Bryan	Zone 3 / HLB Rep

Also in attendance:

Bart Calvi	Alternate / HLB Rep
Brent Prusinski	Alternate

** additional 9 attendees

Organizational Items

CALL TO ORDER - INTRODUCTION OF ORGANIZATIONAL TEAM

APPROVAL OF JUNE 17 ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA

- **MOTION** BY BETTY PENNINGTON, ZONE 2 REPRESENTATIVE, SUPPORTED BY MARK BREEN VICE PRESIDENT TO APPROVE JUNE 17TH ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

APPROVAL OF JUNE 18, 2022 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

- **Motion** by Nancy Calvi, Treasurer, supported Betty Pennington, Zone 2 representative, to approve the June 18, 2022 Annual Meeting Minutes; motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Nancy Calvi reviewed the current June 17th, 2023 Treasurer's Report and the Summary of Treasurer Expenses 2022 thru 2023

MAY 31st Gerber Federal Credit Union

Checking Account:	\$12,882.90
Wildlife Fund:	\$ 3,874.01
General Fund:	\$ 3,840.31
Savings Account:	\$ 5.03

Independent Bank

CD: \$17,097.42
Checking Account: \$2,085.51

Nancy

- discussed / reviewed the Treasurer report.
 - as of today (6/17/23) 242 paid members (last year 258 total members)
- Independent Bank - the current CD will mature on July 24, 2023. There will be more discussion at the July 17, 2023 meeting to determine if the total amount of current CD be transferred / deposited into a CD @ Gerber FCU.
 - Gerber FCU 24 month CD paying 5.25% interest. Possibly also transferring Independent Bank checking balance to a Gerber FCU 12 month CD at a interest rate of 3.25 %
- 501(c)(7) - question from some HLIA members pertaining to deducting on their personal tax filing, HLIA annual membership dues.
 - Confirmed that IRS does not allow this deduction
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> Treasurer Report was approved @ June 12th, 2023 monthly meeting so any 'motion' to approve is not necessary.

Media Coordinator Report

Mary Spicer discussed Genius Software Solutions. This computer software would be free and utilized for HLIA organization of members email addresses and sending our communications electronically. HLIA leadership team will be moving towards all future communication (ie. Newsletter) to strictly an email format.

Motion by Betty Pennington Zone 2 representative, supported by Grant Bryan Zone 3 representative to approve that we move forward with a trial of Genius Software Solutions; motion carried unanimously.

HESS LAKE BOARD REPORT

Grant Bryan

- HLB will have their next meeting
 - July 11th 6PM @ Brooks Township Hall
 - Residents will be receiving a letter prior to this meeting regarding important information that will be voted on (no tax increase is being proposed) and residents will be encouraged to attend this meeting.
- reported that a Weed Control treatment related to milfoil weeds was completed on May 31st for approximately 7 acres of the lake. This was the first treatment done since two years ago for Milfoil
- Confirmed that Bluegills were stocked into Hess Lake prior to Memorial Day
- June 21st, 2023 additional survey will be done for weeds. There is **no additional** costs for on-going surveys, inclusive of annual contract fees with Progressive
- Wheeler drain will be tested when it returns to 'normal' level and at times of 'high flow' rate.

- **CARP CAGES**

- TERRY ROELOFS REPORTED THAT **14 CAGES** WERE PLACED AND BEING MAINTAINED PER DNR PERMITS. CURRENTLY IT APPEARS THAT THE CARP HAVE CONTINUED TO MOVE TO LOCATIONS OUTSIDE OF CAGE PLACEMENTS AND APPROXIMATELY **100** CARP HAVE BEEN TRAPPED. APPROXIMATELY **200** WERE TRAPPED LAST YEAR AT THIS TIME, THIS REDUCTION IS POSSIBLE DUE TO CURRENT CLIMATE CHANGES THIS YEAR, ESPECIALLY BECAUSE OF WATER TEMP. AND LOWER LEVEL. THE BEST NUMBER OF CARP TRAPPED AT RESIDENT LOCATION WAS **20**.
- **CAGES ARE SCHEDULED TO BE REMOVED ON WEDNESDAY JUNE 21ST.** VOLUNTEERS WILL MEET AT PROPERTY ON HESS LAKE DR & CLEARWATER @ 10AM.

- **ELECTION OF ZONE REPRESENTAIVES**

- TERRY ROELOFFS
 - ZONE 1 ~ LARRY HOHS (UNOPPOSED) 3 YR TERM
 - ZONE 2 ~ GRANT BRYAN (UNOPPOSED) 3 YR TERM

- **ELECTION OF ALTERNATES**

- TERRY ROELOFFS
 - DALE DOZEMA (UNOPPOSED) 1 YR TERM
 - BRENT PRUSINSKI (UNOPPOSED) 1 YR TERM
 - BART CALVI (UNOPPOSED) 1 YR TERM
 - NANACY CALVI (UNOPPOSED) 1 YR TERM
 - PAT BERTRAND (UNOPPOSED) 1 YR TERM
 - PAUL DENNIS (UNOPPOSED) 1 YR TERM
- PER DISCUSSIONS ON ZONE ALTERNATES IT WAS SUGGESTED BY LARRY HOHS THAT MARY SPICER POST THAT TWO POSITIONS REMAIN OPEN
- TERRY ROELOFFS WILL ALSO BE REVIEWING THE CURRENT BY-LAWS REGARDING ZONE REPRESENTATIVES AND ALTERNATES MONTHLY MEETING ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS
- NO BY-LAW CHANGES CURRENTLY REQUIRED

- **2024 CALENDARS**

- WINTER PICTURES STILL NEED AND REQUEST THAT THEY BE SENT DIRECTLY TO JANELLA BYRNE VIA EMAIL TO: JBYRNE73@HOTMAIL.COM

>> DISCUSSION PERTAINING TO DETERMINING **2024** METTING AND EVENT DATES TO BE INCLUDED ON CALENDAR. LARRY HOHS SUGGESTED THAT A **SUB-COMMITTEE** BE ESTABLISHED TO FACILITATE IN ESTABLISHING HLIA MEETINGS & EVENTS TO BE INCLUDED ON THIS CALENDAR.

~ SUB-COMMITTEE WILL MEET PRIOR TO JULY 17TH SCHEDULED HLIA MEETING

- SUB-COMMITTEE MEMBERS: NANCY CALVI, JANELLA BYRNE, GRANT BRYAN
 - PAUL DENNIS WILL FORWARD TO SUB-COMMITTEE (VIA EMAIL) A LIST OF 'SUGGESTED DATES' THAT WOULD MIRROR 2023
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- **CALENDAR REVIEW OF REMAINING EVENTS SCHEDULED IN 2023**

- BAND PARTY JUNE 24, 6PM @ TERRY ROELOFFS & SHAWN WIGENT PROPERTIES: 1556 LOCKWOOD CT
- CORN HOLE TOURNAMENT JUNE 24, 1PM @ CALVI'S PROPERTY: 1095 E HESS LAKE DR (STILL NEED ADDITIONAL TEAMS)

- **MEMBERSHIP PICNIC JULY 22ND 12:00 -2:00 PM (HESS LAKE DR & CLEARWATER)**
 - PULLED PORK, COLESLAW, CHIPS, WATER, LEMONADE PROVIDED

- **BOAT PARADE & RING OF FIRE (JULY 3RD)**
 - BOAT PARADE PARTICIPANTS ARE TO MEET AT THE DAMN BY 11:50 AM. PARADE WILL BEGIN BY NOON.
 - ADDITIONAL JUDGES WILL BE INCLUDED THIS YEAR SO THAT THE NANCY CALVI ISN'T THE ONLY INDIVIDUAL MAKING DECISIONS FOR PRIZE WINNERS
 - CURRENTLY \$50 PLUS DONATIONS REMAIN FROM LAST YEAR AND WILL BE USED FOR PARADE THIS YEAR

- **MOTION** BY PAUL DENNIS SUPPORTED BY MARK BREEN VICE PRESIDENT TO APPROVE FUNDING OF A MAXIMUM OF \$250 (PREVIOUS YEAR \$300) TOWARDS PRIZE COSTS; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- - RING OF FIRE **10 PM**
 - FLARES ARE CURRENTLY AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT ALL AMERICAN NORTH COUNTRY STORE: 1596 E 88TH STREET
 - COST OF FLARES: \$3.50 EACH

- **GARAGE SALE AUGUST 10, 11, 12: 8AM - 5PM**

- **PUBLIC COMMNETS**

PATRICIA R. SUGGESTED THAT THERE WAS A MENTION DURING THE MEETING PERTAINING TO DONATIONS BEING COLLECTED FOR USE AS PRIZES DURING THE BOAT PARADE. IF DONATIONS ARE TURNED OVER TO NANCY A WEEK IN ADVANCE OF JULY 3RD THIS SHOULD REDUCE HLIA COST EXPENDITURE FOR PRIZES; NOT HAVING TO SPEND AN ADDITIONAL \$250 AS APPROVED.

JOAN I. MENTION THAT TIMES/DATES INCORRECTLY LISTED IN THE HI LITES PAPER

ADJOURMENT:

MOTION: BY TERRY ROELOFS PRESIDENT TO ADJOURN, SUPPORTED BY MARK BREEN VICE PRESIDENT; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MEETING ADJOURNED @ 11:16 AM

**** PUBLIC/MEMEBRS SIGN-IN LOG SHEET ON FILE (SECRETARY NOTEBOOK), ALONG WITH DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO THIS MEETING.**