

Hess Lake Improvement Association

MINUTES of Meeting: May 14, 2026

Location: Brooks Township Hall

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Hess Lake Improvement Association was called to order by President Brian Meyer at 6 PM on May 14, 2026 at Brooks Township Hall.

Members Present:

Brian Meyer	President
Mary Spicer	Vice President/ Zone 6 Rep.
Nancy Calvi	Treasurer
Paul Dennis	Secretary / Alternate Rep
Larry Hohs	Zone 1 Rep.
Barb Hemmeke	Zone 2 Rep.
Grant Bryan	Zone 3 Rep.
Jerry Swendrowski	Zone 4 Rep.
Katherin Farwell	Zone 5 Rep.
Dale Dozeman	Zone 7 Rep.

Also in attendance: 5 members

Organizational Items

APPROVAL OF MAY 14, 2026 AGENDA

- **Motion** by Nancy Calvi Treasurer, supported by Jerry Swendrowski Zone 4 Rep. to approve the May Agenda; motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

- **Motion** by Jerry Swendrowski Zone 4 Rep., supported by Nancy Calvi Treasurer, to approve September 11, 2025 Minutes, motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT: NANCY CALVI

Treasurer Report April 30, 2026 reviewed, and Treasurer Expenses 2025 - 2026 reviewed.

Gerber Federal Credit Union

Checking Account:	\$ 5,653.60
Wildlife Fund:	\$ 6,613.08
General Fund:	\$ 5,429.99
Savings: Interest	\$ 5.04
24 Month CD - 1000:	\$ 5,701.25
24 Month CD - !001:	\$ 13,894.68

(CD's \$2600.00 gained via interest)

Discussion: past 3 years Averages

CD's **\$2600.00** gained via interest

Membership **\$8500.00**

General Fund **\$743.00**

Wildlife **\$1318.00**

Expense **\$10,750**

- **Motion** by Paul Dennis Secretary, supported by Mary Spicer Vice President to approve the April 30, 2026 Treasurer Report; motion carried unanimously.

Media Coordinator Report

Mary Spicer reported that the **Spring Newsletter** posted on Facebook and our Website.

HESS LAKE BOARD REPORT

Grant Bryan reported:

- 1st Meeting of 2026 is scheduled for May 18, 2026
 - Agenda item will included discussion on Seawall restoration / DNR Permits

Old Business

Brian Meyer reported:

- Membership Banner - purchased approved during last September meeting.
 - PJ Bevelacqua will update design and provide banner

NEW BUSINESS

BRIAN MEYER

- Meet & Greet:
 - Update
 - Smugglers May 23rd
 - 9AM - 11AM
 - Coffee, orange juice, donuts (HLIA cover only the cost of donuts)
 - Tables will be set-up for each Zone
 - Zone reps. will accept dues payment, distribute 2026 Membership signs & stickers
 - Mary Spicer will print Zone #'s for tables
 - Nancy Calvi will also have cash available for change for those paying via cash
 - Payments ~ test Venmo / Square
 - 50/50 Raffle
- Buoys
 - Placement (via Brian Meyer) expected prior to Memorial weekend, pending lake level.
- Carp Cages
 - Discussion / determined that we will not be installing cages, 2026 Permit received but will not be utilized.
 - Representatives from Sylvan Lake will be purchasing a few of the cages.
 - \$50 each or \$40 for 4 +
 - **Motion** by Nancy Calvi Treasurer, supported by Katherin Farwell Zone 5 rep. to sell Carp Cages @ \$50 each or 4 + @ \$40 each. Future remaining cages will be donated for scrap. Motion carried unanimously.
 - Attempt to post on Facebook Marketplace or scrap

- Membership payment options
 - Test @ Meet & Greet - Venmo / Square
- Neighborhood Watch (update via Jerry Swendrowski)
 - John Forner in the process of establishing a communication group email / text roster.
 - Anyone noticing a break in or other emergency event needs to call 911 first, then info will be placed on the Neighborhood Watch Facebook page.
 - Training sessions for Zone Captains are being planned.
 - Discussions regarding having 'Neighborhood Watch' window stickers produced.
 - Crime Safety Community involvement **Operation Porch Light** - First Friday of each month (June thru Sept.) asking that all residents turn on porch lights and/or exterior lights from dusk to dawn.
- Goose Round-up (update via Jerry Swendrowski)
 - April 27th nest found and removed via contracted firm (Fremont)
- Yard Sales
 - June 5th & 6th
 - Brian Meyer to place Garage Sale Signs prior to June 5th.
- Corn Hole / Band Party
 - Date set for June 20th
 - This year both the Cornhole & Band Party will be at Holly & Chad Coppock's; 1622 E 88th.
- July 4th Boat Parade
 - Banner being produced
 - Handouts
 - Possible frisbees, balls, etc. (something that will not sink if thrown from the lead boat).
 - Paul Dennis will check w/RadCo to see what's available as well as cost.
- Annual Meeting
 - June 13th @ 9AM
 - Officer vacancy's:
 - Treasurer / Secretary

Public Comments:

> Mary Spicer suggested that we might consider taking money for 2027 Membership dues.

> Jerry Swendrowski has cleaned up and added rock/edging around the 'Memorial Stone's near our message board @ Public launch site.

MOTION BY LARRY HOHS ZONE 1 REP., supported by Mary Spicer Vice President to adjourn; motion carried unanimously. **MEETING ADJOURNED @ 7:36 PM**

**** PUBLIC/MEMBERS SIGN-IN LOG SHEET ON FILE (SECRETARY NOTEBOOK), ALONG WITH DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO THE MAY 14, 2026 MEETING.**