



## **Secord Lake Association Board Meeting – Secord Township Hall June 21, 2025**

Brent Wilson called the meeting to order at 10:02

**ROLL CALL:** Kim Carlson, Marti Drabing, Jeff Sorensen, Mike Szuch, Ken Wells, Brent Wilson, Sandy Sikora  
Absent: Phil Dast, Chuck Sikora

### **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:**

Joel Vernier – Secord Township Supervisor  
Harold Day – Secord Township Trustee

**MINUTES:** May SLA meeting minutes were approved  
Jeff made a motion to accept the minutes; Mike seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** None

**TREASURER REPORT:** Brent Wilson

- Jeff made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Ken seconded the motion, Motion carried.

### **COMMENTS FROM GUESTS:**

- Joel Vernier discussed bringing the Fire & Rescue Boat to the dam tour
- Special assessment is in the House for vote, if the Senate has good support then onto the Governor for signature. This bill would cover all special assessments for the state of Michigan.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Current CD comes to term July 1 – Rolling over
- Ken made a motion to approve of up to \$1500 for SLA Boat Tour, Kim seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **Membership – Sandy Sikora**

- 351 voting members to date.
- Membership signs for members are being disbursed. If a member wants an additional sign, they are \$10. Each.
- Family membership will be grandfathered until their 5-year term is expired.

### **Secord Lake Dam Tour – Brent Wilson**

- July 26, 2025, will be a Dam Tour at Secord Lake Marina – successful last year
- SLA membership meeting will take place in the morning and then boat tour
- The event will begin at noon and looking for volunteers

### **Golf Event – Brent Wilson**

- September 20, 2025, at Gladwin Heights
- Event is filling up fast with only 3 team spots left for registration
- Volunteers are the name of the game and our focus
- Will have 9 ½ hole sponsored by Secord Lake Marina
- Hole in one sponsored by Richardson

### **Chili Cook Off – Paul Gorans**

- October 18, 2025, at the Eagles
- Blind taste testing was successful
- Looking for silent auction donations
- Will get the website updated for golf and chili cook off and sign up will take place on the website
- This year we want to bring back the community baskets and promote them within your community.
- Membership email will be sent to everyone to enter chili on a first come basis, then post on Facebook

### **Booze Basket – Kim Carlson**

- Notifications will be sent to SLA members for donations
- Plan to have one basket at the golf course and one basket at the chili cook off

### Sponsorships – Marti Drabing

- Sponsorship opportunities were mailed and emailed to 144 past sponsors
- To date have received \$6,000 in sponsorship money with a commitment of \$8500
- \$150 sponsorship will get your signage at both events

### Goose Roundup – Brent Wilson in the absence of Phil

- The DNR has changed their process for eliminating geese.
- This year keep an eye on them as to their location.
- There is a plan in place for the future and the link will be on our SLA website.
- This year let neighbors and community know how you are deterring them from your property. Share the news

### Retake the Lake – Ken Wells

- Please continue with the SLOW ROLL, not only for the safety of the passengers in your boat but also for shoreline corrosion
- DNR boat ramp is overgrown again, plan is to take care of area when water recedes.
- Remember SL community is neighbors helping neighbors, if you need help or know of a neighbor who needs help, reach out to Ken
- Keep an eye open for floating logs, since the water raised higher than expected with the water and logs have shifted free from the lakeshore.
- ATV and forest management update – clearings are left in conditions that cannot be walked in. Strategy to leave piles around for wild game. June 26 from 3 – 5 is an open house. Come join to voice your opinion on clear cut strategy. If you can't make it, please send an email. Blair Underwood is responsible for shutting down the trails as they don't have the manpower to maintain so they close it off. Should have access to trails as tax paying citizens.

### FLTF Update – Jeff Sorensen

- 80M bond received to continue work on the dams
- 1<sup>st</sup> payment will be in the winter 2025 tax bill due in 2/2026
- Options to pay assessment. If payment is made by July 1 you will not pay interest. 37% of payment will pay the 80M bond payment so no interest accumulated until the next bond payment.
- Timeline for construction will be discussed at the FLTF webinar

#### Communication – Jeff Sorensen

- Presented slide presentation with communication to community and updates.

#### Q & A – Parking Lot

- How many steps are being built for the water to flow from the dam?
- Evaluate areas in the next few weeks for shorelines that need clearing and will catalog who needs help and get a work crew to assist.

Paul made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:35 am, Ken seconded the motion.  
Motion carried.