



Secord Lake Association Board Meeting – Secord Township Hall April 19, 2025

President Phil called the meeting to order at 10:02 am

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

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:

Susan Morgan – Bourret Township Supervisor
Joel Vernier – Secord Township Supervisor
Chuck Sikora – Clement Township Supervisor
Mike Visnaw – Gladwin County Commissioner
Harold Day – Secord Township Trustee

MINUTES: March 19, 2025, SLA meeting minutes were approved
Jeff made a motion to accept the minutes, Chuck seconded the motion. Motion carried.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: None

TREASURER REPORT: Brent Wilson

- Balance \$73,273.84; CD 60K
- Spent money on Entertainment System from Promotion Committee Budget
- Encumbrances were mentioned and shown on screen
- Membership structure changed and have collected \$2300
- Chuck made a motion to accept the treasurers report. Jeff seconded the motion, motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM GUESTS:

NEW BUSINESS:

- Phil welcomed Kim Carlson to the board, joining in January.
- Phil introduced board members and their positions

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Communication – Jeff Sorensen

- No more ANGRY MAN
- Presented slide presentation with communication to community and updates.
- Suggested everyone attend the FLTF webinar on Wednesday to gain the updated construction timeline.

Membership – Sandy Sikora

- 333 voting members to date.
- Membership structure has changed, no more 5 year memberships
- Second notices were sent out

Golf Event – Brent Wilson

- September 20, 2025, at Gladwin Heights
- Registration will open to the public on June 1, 2025 giving sponsors an opportunity to sign up
- Preparing email to send to prior attendees
- Looking for volunteers
- Booze Raffle volunteer – Kim Carlson

Chili Cook Off – Brent Wilson (in Pauls' Absence)

- 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

Sponsorships – Marti Drabing

- Sponsorship opportunities were mailed and emailed to 144 past sponsors
- To date have received \$4,000 in sponsorship money
- \$2500 from Bruce Townley's law firm – Bruce was thanked for all of his dedication with the litigation

Promotions – 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 at SLA and then boat tour
- More details to come

Retake the Lake – Ken Wells

- Restore the lake beds now with anticipation of our waterway returning in 2026
- Addressing problems in community areas
- Homeowners are asked to manage their individual lake beds in front of their properties
- If you have a neighbor that is elderly or disabled and needs assistance, help them out or contact Ken.
- SLOW ROLL – be respectful of waterfront property and the erosion that is taking place
- PLEASE Continue with NO WAKE ZONE

Goose Roundup – Phil Dast

- Presentation on Goose Roundup
- The DNR no longer allows for Goose Roundup and permits are required to do the phases
- There are 3 phases, 1. deter geese, 2. Gather data on nest and eggs, 3. Euthanize
- Communication will be released regarding this matter
- We are currently in the first phase of deterring geese from properties
- March 24 is the deadline for applying for permits
- Hopefully in the future we will have a DNR representative at a meeting to discuss the issue we have.
- This is a major concern of our members and property owners, but we have to go through the proper phases

FLTF Update

- Financing will begin June 1, 2025 to obtain \$80M in a municipal bond
- Summer of 2026 will borrow the balance needed to complete the project
- All of the dams have been permitted

- A portion of the capital assessment will be on winter 2025 taxes due in February
- Suggested people sign up for FLTF Webinar to get the timeline of construction
- Members of the SLA Board continue to communicate and build relations with legislature to ensure they are kept up to date and lobby for us when necessary

Q & A

- Will the DNR be restocking the lakes with fish?
- Is capital assessment tax deductible on 1040 Income Tax Return?

Mike made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:20 am, Chuck seconded the motion. Motion carried.