

SECORD LAKE ASSOCIATION, INC.

BOARD MEETING

September 14, 2019

MINUTES

Meeting was called to order at 11:00 A.M. by Phil Dast. Board Members present: Board members Deb Stover, Richard West, Susan Morgan and Bruce Plowman. Gladwin County Commissioners Joel Vernier, Fred Shaver, Secord Twp Fire Chief, Brianna with PLM Lake and Land Management, and Don Zackett with FLTF. SLA members also signed in.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS: Phil thanked Secord Township for making the hall available to us.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bank balance is \$2860.87. Request for payment of \$9.99 to Name.com was approved. Motion to approve the report was seconded and passed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: None. Motion to approve minutes of August meeting. Seconded and passed.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT: Rita Lewis. We now have 74 mebers. New memberships were paid at the meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT: Rita Lewis. The website continues to progress. Presently the committee uses both the SLA Facebook page and the Secord Lake Facebook page to communicate to the membership and the public. A newsletter is planned for next calendar year with JoAnn LeBlanc's printing services.

OTHER BUSINESS

Joel Vernier addressed the meeting. He reported a newly approved moderate income 4 story high-rie housing unit with 32 2 bedroom units will be constructed in Gladwin fo residents with a 55 plus age requirement. The construction is grnt oriented and will receive no funding from the community.

He spoke of a county wide septic ordinance similar to Isabella County and Secord Twp tht currently is in effect. This is an active topic of discussion on the table. Vernier noted that Isabella County found 3 of 10 septic systems failed CMDGD guidelines.

Fred Shave spoke of leaf burning in a drainage ditch is not allowed in Secord Twp. With natural gas lines installed this presents a dangerous situation, and in addition burned leaves create week growth in the lake. Residents burning in the ditch will get one warning. Second and third occasion, fines are \$250 and then \$500. Firework ordinance for 2020 will be enforced with \$1000 fines in Secord Twp. Specific dates that fireworks are allowed can be viewed on Secord Twp's web page. To burn leaves in a controlled pit a permit is required at Michigan.gov.dnrpermit.com . Call 1 900 922 BURN for up to date weather conditions per twp to safely burn leaves. No building products are allowed to be burned.

Brianna with PLM Lake & Land Management spoke of the many aspects of aquatic invasive plant management. This company has worked with Clement Twp since 2006 and Secord Twp since 2018. Bourret Twp is yet to implement any tupe of weed control. Future goals: leave native weeds in limited amounts as to not become invasive and maintain fishery. Not all weeds can be removed per State of Michigan. Monitor aquatics, maanage and watch plant growth. Use chemicals deemed safe for

swimming, animals and fish. Brianna advised boaters to stay clear of company boats spraying chemicals as wake from boats interferes with application, and advises resident to rake out any leaves or organic matter from their waterfronts to prevent degrading into muck which produces weeds algae. Spilled green paint looking algae that is occurring in canals is being targeted for treatment. Please call PLM if you are finding this is your water. They are using a specific treatment for this type of algae. Do not swim in the water until the algae has been addressed. Snails are not part of the water maintenance program. PLM is consulting with CMU and MSU in regard to the concerns.

Phil discussed updates to FLTF. Mailer was received by lake residents from the FLTF explaining process of sale and assessment district. Phil introduced Don Zackett from FLTF to speak.

Don Zackett presented timeline for sale of dams and lake bottoms to Gladwin & Midland Counties. January 2020 is the possible close date of the sale. Complete transfer will not take place till 2024. The assessment district and a geographical boundary map is approved. Waterfront lots of up to 300 ft tentatively set @ \$350 per year with some variances allowed. Proration of 1 unit fee will be make for larger waterfront lots. Meetings will be announced in the future on this subject. An assessment/grievance hearing is anticipated in 202. To view your property on the assessment map to to <http://www.four-laes-taskforce-mi.com>. In addition complaints/concerns can be made to Phil Dast who also is an active member of FLTF and is SLA president for consideration, which will then be addressed by Spicer Engineering.

Joel Vernier also commented on the lack of siren on Secord Lake in the event of a dam failure. A FERC required exercise for catastrophic dam failure is being discussed.

A motion was made to adjourn at 11:15.. Seconded and passed.

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