

**HORSESHOE LAKE CORPORATION Board of Trustee’s Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, February 5, 2019, at 7:00pm**

**Northfield Township Community Center 9101 Main Whitmore Lake, MI 48189**

Meeting called to order at 7:11 pm by Scott Chisholm

**Roll Call –**

Present	Absent
Scott Chisholm	
Joe Bennett	
Bruce LaRue	
Brian Trim	
George Brown	
Ken Petersberger	
Thomas Merrill	
Lori Blanchard	
Mark Caples	
	Ken Johnson
Sandi Bodi	
Susan Bolla	

There was a quorum.

**Public Forum - None**

**Approval of Agenda** – Tom Merrill requested addition to New Business (d) – Guest’s comments. Sandi Bodi motioned to approve the agenda with change. Brian Trim seconded. Motion carried

**Approval of Minutes** – Brian Trim motioned to approve the January meeting minutes. Seconded by Tom Merrill. 7 ayes, 3 abstained. Motion carried.

**Clerk’s Report/Correspondence** – List of property tax foreclosures from county presented. Discussion – Would the township ever put a nature park on the properties located in the Lincoln wetlands. One opinion is to purchase the foreclosures to protect against a public park. Our by-laws prohibit public access to the lake. Need more research. Faith Wheeler will work on it. Tom Merrill volunteered to help.

Dave Patterson wrote about the boat launch. As a resident that uses the launch multiple times per week. “I was falling off the end of the ramp..... since the temporary repair of adding stone at the end of the launch a remarkable improvement.... Temporary because I know the stone will eventually sink in... Adding stone is more fiscally responsible... A more functional improvement would be to add a pier. My recommendation is to keep replacing the stone as needed and use the funds for other projects.”

**Treasurer’s Report** – A separate weed money market account has been created at PNC per January’s 2019 motion.

# Horseshoe Lake Corporation

Treasurer's Report: 2/5/2019

		<b>HLC Checking</b>	<b>HLC Money Market-Dues</b>	<b>HLC Money Market-Weed</b>	
<b>Beginning Balance 1/1/2019</b>		<b>\$4,189.09</b>	<b>\$46,261.22</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	
<b>INCOME</b>					
Dues		\$59.80			
Delinquent Dues		\$835.10			
Weed Assessments		\$14.20			
Delinquent Weed Assessments		\$280.60			
Road (Passthrough)		\$845.00			
Miscellaneous		\$0.00			
Gate Keys		\$10.00			
Returned Checks		\$0.00			
Transfer from MM to Checking		\$0.00			
Interest		\$0.00	\$3.63	\$0.16	
Transfer from MM-D to MM-W			(\$20,188.11)	\$20,188.11	
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>\$2,044.70</b>	<b>\$26,076.74</b>	<b>\$20,188.27</b>	
<b>EXPENSES</b>					
Legal		\$0.00			
Landscaping		\$0.00			
Telephone		(\$31.70)			
Book Keeper		\$0.00			
Electric		(\$13.73)			
Road Dues		(\$845.00)			
HLC Money Market-Dues		(\$250.00)	\$250.00		
HLC Money Market-Weed		(\$294.80)		\$294.80	
HLC Insurance		\$0.00			
Gate Keys		\$0.00			
PO Box		(\$60.00)			
Northfield Property Taxes		\$0.00			
Aqua Weed		\$0.00			
SOM DEQ Permit		(\$800.00)		(\$800.00)	
Tree Service		\$0.00			
Bank Fees		\$0.00			
Flowers		\$0.00			
George Brown - Reimbursement		(\$72.21)			
Clerk Fee-George Brown		\$0.00			
Treasurer Fee		\$0.00			
Secretary Fee		\$0.00			
Scott Chisholm-Reimbursement		\$0.00			
Brian Trim-Reimbursement		(\$15.00)			
Boat Launch		\$0.00			
State of Michigan		\$0.00			
Transfer from MM to Checking		\$0.00			
Reimbursement Sandi Bodi		(\$10.00)			
Laura Misko		(\$12.00)			
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>(\$2,404.44)</b>	<b>\$250.00</b>	<b>(\$505.20)</b>	
<b>Ending Balance 1/31/19</b>		<b>\$3,829.35</b>	<b>\$26,326.74</b>	<b>\$19,683.07</b>	

Scott Chisholm proposed to stop the automatic transfer of monies to the road committees, so our by-laws are followed. The road committee must meet to create the budget. Eventually, there will be a separate account for the roads.

Bruce LaRue motioned to accept the treasurer's report for February and pay the bills. Seconded from Brian Trim. 8 ayes 2 abstain. Motion carried.

### **Unfinished Business**

- a) Buoys at Shady Beach- no update
- b) Foreclosures - \$34,087.85 delinquent dues and \$16,224.40 delinquent road dues. Scott Chisholm presented a proposed rule/regulation, which was sent to the lawyer. When fiscal year ends, dues are considered delinquent. Automatically a blanket lien is on all properties which requires title companies to pay dues to clear title if property is sold. Proposed next step a debt will be reported to the credit bureaus. Then a foreclosure through advertising. Notification will be sent to the home owner at 30 days prior to each step. Process would stop if payments are made. Start the process with the highest delinquent amounts.
- c) Boat Ramp survey – Second survey was sent to only owners with a key to the launch. Discussion- a majority of the respondents are content with the gravel that was dumped last year. Mark Caples chairs the boat committee. Need owners on the committee who really want a new boat ramp. Brian Trim motioned to proceed with pending projects due to the outcome of the survey in keeping with the membership vote from the annual meeting. Seconded by Susan Bolla. We can continue to add gravel and the committee can take on the long-term project. We don't know if the gravel is a good band aid until this spring. 7 ayes, 2 nays, 1 abstain motioned carried.

### **New Business**

- a) UofM student project – We submitted a project to help with the lake. Steve Francoeur, Scott Chisholm, Brian Trim and Susan Bolla attended the project fair. We had 13 students talk with us. Now we wait to see if anyone takes on the project.
- b) Edge of Lakeshore drive for markers near the boat launch. We have a quote that is less than \$750. Brian Trim motioned to spend up to \$750 for a survey from boat launch to Edmund to find private property and the road edge. Seconded by Mark Caples. 8 ayes, 1 nay, 1 abstain. Motion carried.
- c) Road Passthrough – discussed during treasurer's report
- d) Guest Comments – Tom Merrill proposes that guests be allowed to talk during the meeting with a time limit. Any municipality meeting does not allow the public to talk during the meeting. Tom Merrill motioned to allow public to have 30 seconds to speak on each topic during the meeting. Seconded by Joe Bennett. 3 ayes, 7 nays. Motion fails.

### **Committee Reports**

(a) Communication

(b) Beautification – Brian Trim motioned to spend up to \$750 for removal of saplings, undergrowth to clear pathway, monies to rent equipment. Seconded by Sandi Bodi. At the end of Oliver and Edmund, South Horseshoe to creek. For residents of Leocadia to get to the park. 7 ayes, 3 abstain motion carried.

(c) Lake Weed – Contract is received. \$800 for permit from the state of Michigan for weed treatment.

(d) By-Law and TWP. Ordinance Enforcement

(e) Accesses – request for help tarping swinging bench in the accesses.

(f) Roads

#### **Subdivision Reports**

(a) Schrum – Kelly farm history from Faith Wheeler. Suggests that the Notice of Restriction be filed with the county/township. The HOA can require dues of the property. The township must put the keyhole restriction on the shoreline of the Kelly property.

Icy Roads are an issue with GreenLand and Lake Shore. Request for access to sand. Sand has to be stored inside otherwise it will harden.

(b) Shady Beach

(c) Leocadia

(d) Lincoln – Some issue with pole replacement. Pole is within the utility easement.

**Next Meeting: March 5 at 7 pm, Public Safety Building.**

**Motioned to adjourn** – Tom Merrill motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Bruce LaRue. Motion carried.