

Minutes of Regular Board of Trustees Meeting of The Horseshoe Lake Corporation October 12, 2021

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Item I. The regular meeting was called to order by President Scott Chisholm at 7:12 PM. (0:08:00 elapsed time on audio recording. Time references will be in elapsed time on the meeting recording.)

Item II. Roll Call - The following were present: Brian Trim, Brian Anthony, Kevin Quinn, George Brown, Makenzie Jakubowski, Sandra Bodi, Ken Johnson, Michael Laird, Joe Bennet, Carl Kayden. Craig Delap and Mark Caples were absent. **There is a quorum.**

Item III. Resignation of Trustee - Mark Caples - 0:09:00 George read a resignation letter from Mark Caples. He still wants to handle boat launch key, flag, and weed treatment. George motion to accept Mark Caples' resignation. Brian Trim 2nd. All Ayes. Ken opposed. Motion carries.

Item IV. Appointment of a Trustee (Lincoln Sub) - 0:10:10 George motion to appoint Scott Chisholm from Lincoln as Trustee. Sandi 2nd. All Ayes. motion carries. .

Item V. Oath of Office - 0:10:55 Kevin (secretary) led the trustees in reading the oath of office.

Item VI. Nomination and Election of Officers - 0:12:35 George solicits nominations for president. Brian Trim nominates Scott Chisholm for president. Mike Laird 2nd. Brian Trim motions to close nominations and appoint Scott as president. All Ayes. Motion carries. Ken Johnson nominates Brian Trim for vice president. Brian Anthony motions to close nominations and appoint Brian Trim as vice president. Kevin 2nd. All Ayes. motion passed. Brian Trim nominates Kevin Quinn for secretary. Sandi 2nd. Brian Trim motion to close nominations and appoint Kevin as secretary. Sandi 2nd. All Ayes. Motion carries. Brian Trim nominated Joe Bennett for treasurer. Mike Laird 2nd. Brian Trim motion to close nominations and appoint Joe as treasurer. Ken 2nd. All Ayes.

Brian Trim turns over control of the meeting to Scott. Scott notes that while it seemed like formality, the positions are a lot of work, and it is hard to find willing participants. The positions truly are open for election. George recognizes the commitment of Joe as treasurer.

Item VII. Approval of Agenda - 0:19:15 Scott adds to New Business 14.b Contact DNR about bluegill cull. George adds 14.c Foreclosures. Scott adds 14.d Removal of Swim Buoys. Kevin motions to approve changes to agenda. No discussion. All Ayes. Motion passes.

Item VIII. Announcements - 0:23:50 **Sandi** Trick or Treat on Trail October 23 5-6:30 pm, from the boat launch to Edmund. **Brian Trim** Hayride event from footbridge to channel, George and Ken as Snata Claus, early afternoon before Christmas with a bonfire and hot cocoa. **Brian Anthony** on behalf of Nita Gibbons, brings up privacy fence construction 5 houses from the A Frame. Light discussion follows about next door VRBO uninvited guests, details of fence, permit, neighborhood rules. George to look into it.

Item IX. Public Forum (Guest Comments) - 0:30:35 no public present. Brian Trim points out that this is where Brian Anthony's comment should be. George explains a better process where member talks, then sits down before trustees respond.

Item X. Approval of Minutes - 0:32:10 Scott says we have to approve June and July minutes. Kevin points out the June hold up was how Mark Caples actually voted vs his intention to vote in removing Paul Carlson from the board. Consensus is that it is moot and minutes should reflect what actually happened. Brian Trim motion to accept June minutes as presented. Sandi 2nd. All Ayes. Carl abstains.

Scott brings up July minutes. Kevin realized that he had erroneously marked Paul Carlson as present, and he has corrected that. Also a misspelling to be corrected. Brian Trim motion to accept July minutes as amended. Joe 2nd. All Ayes. Carl abstains. Motion passes.

Item XI. Clerk's Report/Correspondence - 0:36:10 Cole Ragon from Corrigan Oil wants reimbursement for a tree removal that he claims was in the right of way on Coyle Rd. A resident had told George about it and he was in the process of following up. Brian motion to have Scott write a letter explaining our declination to reimburse. Brian Anthony 2nd. All Ayes. motion passes. George has identified another tree that we may have to deal with.

Item XII. Treasurer's Report - 0:43:20 Joe went over the balances and expenses for August. Brian Trim motion to accept August Treasurer's Report. George 2nd. All Ayes. Joe abstains. Motion passes. 0:46:05 Joe goes over the September report. Mixup with vacant lot sale and dues charged and paid, but need to be reimbursed.

In listing of expenses paid, 0:50:55 Joe specifically brings up \$100 for beautification bbq party. He doesn't think members would be happy about it, since it wasn't called out specifically in budget ask. Brian Trim says that over \$20K of landscaping work was done, and that \$100 should be a separate expenditure, to recognize 4 years of volunteers. Discussion of watering budget and past spending and how it was spread out to volunteers. Issue is budgeting for it in advance for transparency. Looking ahead, Joe suggests we set a budget for Christmas event. George motion to spend up to \$100 for cocoa Christmas party. Joe 2nd. 1:04:15 All Ayes. Carl abstains. September is the last month of FY21. Joe says we need to plan in advance and have budgets approved when events are planned. Kevin suggests giving the social committee a budget for parties.

Joe finishes reporting the balance and activity for September. Brian Trim motion to approve September budget as presented. George 2nd. All Ayes. Joe abstains. Motion passes. Joe has a mystery receipt from Lowe's for pvc pipe. Discussion of whose it is. Determined to be Scott's, and he also has an additional receipt for boat launch dock. 1:14:30 Brian Trim motion to accept amended treasurer's report for September. Ken 2nd. All Ayes. Joe abstains. Motion passes.

1:17:00 In addressing Brian Anthony's question, discussion about how financial info is reported to members.

Item XIII. Unfinished Business - a. Red Flag Levels - 1:21:15 Scott still trying to determine legal issues of lake level. Scott's friend who provided the lake level equipment needed to repair a boat trailer, so he left the boat and test equipment on the lake. Discussion of usefulness of data and do we want that? Scott recommends putting lake level to Lake Committee. Brian Anthony asks where first shore damage is from waves, and using that to identify red flag level. Scott says issue is that legal lake level is higher than shore residents want red flag to be. Opposite argument is that shore residents need to be responsible for retaining walls to protect their property.

b. Township Property in HLC - 1:21:15 No movement from township. It's been on their agendas for months. Scott says the township got the property through foreclosure, so they can't sell it for a profit. He suggests they sell it for what they got it for. We would turn it into an HLC private park, so there would be no tax on it according to the assessor. Brian says if we have to call it a nature preserve, then we would have to make it a 501c3.

c. Insurance Quotes - 1:38:25 Makenzie got one insurance quote and one declined. With swim rafts at assorted beaches, company would pull policy. Current insurance company covers one raft. Makenzie asks about annual meeting motion to pull rafts pending insurance coverage.

d. Signs at Park/Access borders, Boat Launch, and No Wake Channel - 1:42:00 Scott says last year's \$750 has been used at FastSigns. Additional quotes have been gotten, but FastSigns seems the best so the plan is to spend this year's budget there.

e. Proposed Rule and Reg for HLC email Lists and Officially Surveying Members - 1:44:30 Scott's proposal is posted on website. Please read. Considering a committee to work on.

Item XIV. New Business - a. Committee Appointments - 1:46:30 George proposes Brian Anthony and Mark Caples for Lake Weed Control/Management. Goerge and Mark Caples for Boat Launch Keys Committee. Brian wants to clarify the name of Boat “Ramp” Renovation/Repair Makenzie and Carl Kayden for Beach/Swim Area/Access Restoration Committee. Craig, Brain Trim, and Mike Laird for Lawn Maintenance Committee. Discussion of buoy improvements. By-Laws/Rules & Regulations will be Scott, George, Brian Trim, and Mike Laird. Discussion of committee sign up sheet vs. agenda list of committees. Registration and Election is George, Kevin, Brian Anthony, and Faith Wheeler. Road Maintenance is Mike Laird and Carrie, Carl and Fred, Brian Anthony and Bruce, George and Dave Vella. 2:02:00 Brian Trim wants to be chair of Beautification Committee and work with volunteers as needed. Discussion of role of Blight Committee in identifying blight and informing the township officer. Scott, Brian Anthony, Mackenzie, and Mike Laird to be on Blight Committee. 2:09:00 Discussion of keyholing and if anything can be done about Kelley property development. Brian Trim says bylaws prevent keyholing as a canal. Kevin clarifies from the bylaws, saying all motorized boats must be launched at boat launch. More discussion about lakefront property and Kelley property. Scott to be Keyholing Committee. Communication Committee will be Scott, Kevin, Mackenzie, and George and will cover website, facebook, and email. Dues Restructuring to be George, Joe, Scott, and Mike. George explains the history of formation of HLC to take care of the lake, then Act 137 said HLC needed to take care of roads, so they formed neighborhood committees with different road dues. George says it should be standardized.

b. Contact DNR about Blugill Cull - 2:24:15 Scott to contact DNR about recommendations for dealing with biting bluegill.

c. Foreclosures - 2:26:45 Scott wants another month to work on it, identifying properties, and defining process. George says there’s a vacant property that people are already talking about wanting to buy. Scott suggests a committee, so not one person deciding.

Item XV. Set Meeting Dates for 2021-22 - 2:27:15 Scott says use same dates, just move to closest Tuesday. Bylaws say meetings required in April, July, August, and October. Dec 7, Feb 1, Apr 5, Jun 7, Jul 26, Aug 16, and Oct 4.

2:29:50 Sandi brings up Holiday Decoration Contest rules from last year. Have a winner from each sub, or have previous year’s winner can’t win consecutively. Kevin suggests deferring to social committee. Discussion of prizes vs bragging rights. Sandi says no public voting, because it’s biased to self and neighbors.

2:32:30 George updates board on Grove and Elm situation, regarding DJ property, new homeowner who wanted to put in a sewer line, and HLC road boundaries. George has it surveyed and DJ has “claimed 10 feet of extra property toward road. George had put in a sign, which was stolen (see August minutes). George reads nasty note from DJ. Ongoing tension, DJ produced the stolen sign to have put in the wrong location. George wants help from the board to deal with this. Scott to talk with DJ. Brian says to bill him for removing and replacing sign.

Item XIV. Adjournment - Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 7, 2021 at 7pm at the Township Hall 2:52:30 Joe motion to adjourn. Ken 2nd. Passed unanimously.