

# HUTCHINS LAKE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Meeting of Board of Directors  
April 30, 2020, 7:05 p.m. via Zoom electronic Platform

## HLIA Board

Jill O'Connor	2	Allen Kautz	VP
Victoria Barnes	3	Jim Baird	Pres
Maureen Sytsma	3B	Randy Voglzang	Sect
John Lerg	4	Scott Clark	7
Jim Baird	5	Ruth Malda	8
Vacancy	6A	Denise Grimaldi	9A - Treas
Martha Kautz	6B	Vicki Brink	9B
		Vacancy	10

### Call to Order

President Jim Baird called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

### Taking of Roll

Randy Vogelzang took the roll and the following members of the board were:

Present: Jim Baird, Ruth Malda, Scott Clark, Allen Kautz, Vicki Brink, John Lerg, and Randy Vogelzang.

Absent: Martha Kautz, Denise Grimaldi, Jill O'Connor, Maureen Sytsma, Victoria Barnes.

Randy Vogelzang reported that there was a quorum for the meeting.

### Additions to Agenda

1. MOTION by Randy Vogelzang to add the issue of parking too close to boat ramps and the issue of ballast on boats and wake boats and the danger they are eroding the shore and bothering other boats as well as

draining ballast from other lakes into our lake. (See below). Seconded.  
Approved (6-0).

### **Consent Agenda**

2. Approval of Agenda
3. Minutes from last Meeting- (attachment 1)
4. Treasurer's Report - (attachment 2) The Treasurer reported an account balance of \$ 6,982 and a total 152 HLIA members.
5. Summary of Bills - No unpaid bills, and bill for insurance has been paid.

MOTION: Scott Clark moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Second. Approved (6-0)

### **Correspondence**

Randy Vogelzang reported on correspondence with the Lighthouse Insurance Group to renew our Officers and Director's coverage and liability coverage. He completed the forms to renew coverage. The premium has been paid.

There have been several routine emails received from board members in preparation of the quarterly meeting. He also reviewed the emails Denise sent on the MI Waterfront Alliance and the proposal for legislation seeking voluntary contributions to control invasive plants and animals in our lakes. The convention is to be done as an electronic meeting on September 16- 18.

### **Committee Reports**

CLMP – Sarah Kramer/Victoria Barnes – No report

Chamber of Commerce / Townships – Jim Baird reviewed the progress of providing the new picnic table as a memorial and he thanked the township for allowing it.

Membership – Denise Grimaldi - Report of 152 current members.

Public Relations – Jim Baird – There will be no poker run due to the virus.

Discovery Camp – Jill O’Connor – No report but Jim advised that this event will also be cancelled due to the virus.

Newsletter – Jim Baird – Jim suggested that any board member should provide Joe information for the website that would be of interest to the members.

Lake Board – John Lerg / Jim Baird – Reported that the Lake Board approved a bill for \$1700 for weed protection treatment for the lake. Most members stated that for the last two years the weeds were controlled.

#### Area Directors Report/ Remarks

Discussion moved to unfinished business below.

#### Unfinished Business

Buoys – Jim confirmed that the contractor is expected to complete the placement of the buoys like last year for this season.

Richard Gliwa Memorial – Jim reported that the picnic table is set to be delivered across from the public swim park. He reviewed the steps to complete the job. It is scheduled to be done by the anniversary of Richard’s death.

Boater Safety Class – The board concluded that our website should provide information on where people can go for a class or how to take it online. The online option is where most courses will be offered.

Vacant Director Positions -Jim will appoint a committee to set up nominations for the President and Secretary officers.

Weed Action Plan – John and Jim will make sure the Lake Board and consultant Tony Groves know about the need to control weeds on the east side of the lake near Tony Ave and Sunset Dr. Ruth discussed the mossy weed on the lake bottom that she noticed, but John said it may be sand grass and green algae which should go away by itself in the next few weeks.

Newsletter/Website – See discussion above about putting the newsletter on the web page.

Directory – Jim suggested that we obtain the public county tax record directory-like information about lake property owners and put it on the website. Board concurred.

### New Business

Election of Officers: President and Secretary – Jim will appoint a committee to find nominations for the ballot at the June Annual Meeting.

Ballast – Wake boats and ballast dumping will be handled by legislation. That is not something the board thought it could govern or enforce. See discussion above.

Parking too close to boat ramps and the need for no parking signs at the boat ramp- The board would like to see a 50 feet gap from the ramp before the first person can park. John Lerg advised that this is within the county jurisdiction and we would have to discuss this with probably the county road commission. The board agreed that safety is the issue. Jim will talk to the county and see if he can determine how to get the space enforced.

### Public Comment –

None

Comments from the Board – Jim shared how much he appreciated the board members and helping make his term as president successful. The Board expressed its appreciation for Jim leading the board these past two years.

### Adjournment

Randy Vogelzang moved to adjourn. Second. Approved (6-0)

Next Meeting June 27, 2020