



April 10, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Meeting was held at the Pleasant Township Trustee's office at 8:00 am. **This will be the location of all future regular meetings.**

Those in attendance were Doug Desserich, Ken Erlenbaugh, Bill Heckley, Jim Horstman, Tim Knoblauch, Marty McHugh, Jim Miller, Jim Moring, Eriq Paradi, & Brook Vande Zande.

The treasurer's report was emailed to members & was approved. As of today's meeting, we had

242 paid members

\$20,175.91 for individual property owners weed spray application

\$1,926.00 for fireworks

\$1,320 of extra raffle ticket sales

Jim Miller reported that we received a LARE grant from IN DNR for weed spray of invasive species, which will be done in common areas identified in the lake management plan. He also reported that we would be receiving weed spraying of Stary Stonewart from a federal grant. This is good news since many lakes didn't receive grants for 202.

Tim Knoblauch asked if the association would support the Lakes Recreation Association fireworks held at grass island on Lake James Saturday July 3rd at dusk. A motion was made to add to the individual donations received for a total contribution of \$4,000. This was the same amount as last year. Motion was unanimously approved.

There was discussion about the proposed wetland legislation before IN legislature. Many felt the proposed bill would not be good for our lake areas. It was thought that the bill had been amended to lessen the impact, but it was suggested that people contact their legislators to voice their concerns.

There was discussion concerning the proposed fire territory that Jamestown township would have been part of. Many were pleased that it didn't get approved as proposed because it would have been a 16% increase in property taxes with no fire station in the township or significant improvement in services.

Jean Sweigart informed the board that she would be resigning her treasurer's position at the August annual meeting. This is an important position for the organization so President Tim Knoblauch asked everyone to consider serving in the position or recommend a good candidate.

Doug & Ken plan to put in flags & buoys around the lake in the next few weeks.

It was agreed that we would cook BBQ chicken at the Antique Boat show on Saturday July 31st as a fund raiser.

Many lake associations have a presence on Facebook & other social media sites. It was agreed that we should explore creating our own Facebook page but want someone who could set it up, manage & maintain it. It was suggested that this is a good way to communicate with association members especially when there are important issues to be brought to their attention. Again, we are looking for volunteers.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m. Next meeting is Saturday May 8th at 8:00 am.