



May 14, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Meeting was held at Pleasant Lake Township Trustee's office & called to order at 8:00 am. Those board members present were Ken Erlenbaugh, Bill Heckley, Tim Knoblauch, Marty McHugh, Jim Moring, Jodi Moreland, Eriq Paradis, & John Petry. JLA members Larry Wozniak, Ed Simmons, & Bill Davis were also in attendance. The minutes of the April 9, 2022 meeting were read as well as the April 30th the treasurer's report. Both were approved.

John Petry introduced Ed Simmons as the new Lane Leader for Paradise View neighborhood.

Aquatic Enhancement is scheduled to do individual property waterfront spraying on May 24th & 25th for those members who paid to participate. Common area spraying for Eurasian Milfoil will be done at a later time.

It was brought to our attention that the Sheriff's Marine Patrol boat lift needs to be replaced since it cannot be repaired. The Sheriff is not asking for donations but Lake James Association did donate \$1,000. This began a lengthy discussion about LARE fund taxes paid by those registering watercraft in Indiana. When LARE began, 1/3 of the funds raised were to be allocated to local county marine patrols with a maximum grant of \$35,000 annually. It was reported that Steuben County Sheriff is only receiving a \$15,000 grant. Tim Knoblauch did some research & found that the LARE legislation had been amended in 2016, 2018, & again in 2019. The direct allocation to marine patrols no longer appears in the revised legislation. Tim agreed to speak with other lake association Presidents to discuss how we might determine why the law was amended & funds for marine patrol reduced.

Tim also reported that Lake James Assoc. is hoping to develop a public relations effort to keep our lakes clean. They would like it to be a joint effort with Snow, Otter lakes, & Jimmerson. It might include developing some signage reminding lakers to remove all trash & debris when they leave the lake.

Next meeting is Saturday June 11th at 8:00 am. Our \$1,000 annual raffle drawing will be held at this meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 am