



MARBLE CHAIN OF LAKES IMPROVEMENT ASSOC., INC.

First, Marble, Archer, Bartholomew, Mud Lakes and Long

Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes

March 18, 2017

Board Members Present: Kevin Kehoe, Jeff Jones, Jen Thome, Jim Strock, Larry Ostrander, Dennis Smith, Lou Stuckey, Teresa Wasielewski, and Carrie Barve

Board Members Absent: Gary Hansen and Kim Ashenfelder

- I. **Call to Order:** Meeting was brought to order by Kevin at 10:23 a.m.
- II. **Minutes:** The January 28th minutes were presented to the Board. Larry motioned to approve the minutes as written; Jeff seconded. **Minutes approved.**
- III. **Treasurer's Report:** Jenny presented a Treasurers' report in summary.

We are in the process of updating the bank accounts and bond paperwork at Century Bank & Trust. Updating signatures for the checking account is complete. I also requested online account access to view deposits and withdrawals timelier.

Bank Balance as of January 31st was \$8,485.11 during the transition. As of March 18th, the balance was \$8,560.11.

Larry motioned to accept Treasurer's report as presented; Jim seconded. **Treasurers' Report approved.**

IV. **Old Business**

- A. Record Retention Policy: Kevin was picking up files from Brad that day. We will review these files for permanent recordkeeping items. All other items will be retained for 7 years.
- B. Milfoil Treatment/Sediment Ponds: **Invasive weeds:** Approved new chemicals for treating celery grass and addressing timing of treatments. Scoping the lakes is scheduled for late April. **Sediment Ponds:** Tallahassee is finished. Fisher Creek sediment pond has not been cleaned yet. Bid will not be paid until completed. Equipment is sitting there, but not started.
- C. Mute Swans: Five-year contract with two more years left. Lakes are reviewed twice a year. The removal process will start in two weeks as nesting will start.
- D. Joint Activities/Local Organization:
 - Chamber Expo: Event is scheduled for March 25, 2017 from 10am – 2pm. We received a \$120.00 quote to replace a missing sign. Jeff motioned; Teresa seconded. **Vote was approved.**

V. **New Business**

- A. **Fireworks:** July 2, 2017. Jim will verify our rain date for the Saturday of Labor Day weekend. The sign to track firework donations will go up in front of Brand Construction next week. Jim will handle communication to the local newspapers to run the 1st week of April and the 1st week of May. Lou discussed fundraising ideas and selling flags. Discussing on pursuing donations from additional businesses ensued. The idea was presented to purchase up to \$250.00 worth of flags to resell for fundraising and to have for the Chamber Expo – Lou would order. Teresa motioned; Kevin seconded. **Vote was approved.**

- B. Stocking Lakes: Dennis spoke with Mark with Lake Drive Marina (Madison Lake Assoc). They use \$2,000/yr from their general fund to purchase fish from Laggis. Fund raising ideas: Donation slot will be added to the membership form. A bingo tent, pancake breakfast, and a golf tourney were discussed. It was decided that the golf tourney may be too much work. Dennis will continue his research and look into dates for a pancake breakfast at Stables in Quincy, MI.
 - C. Website: Our new and improved website and Paypal connections will be up and running prior to the Chamber Expo on March 25th.
 - D. Dates: Numerous dates were discussed.
 - i. May 13th – Boaters’ Safety Class
 - ii. May 21st – Pancake Breakfast at the Stables
 - iii. June 4th – Boat Inspections
 - iv. June 10th – Boaters’ Safety Class
 - v. June 17th – First General Meeting at Sunset Cove
 - vi. July 2nd – Fireworks on Marble Lake
 - vii. Aug 12th – Second General Meeting and Elections at Sunset Cove
 - E. Additional Exposure: Shoreline Magazine – Lou will submit an article about our existence and purpose to support our Lakes.
- VI. Next Meeting**: Newsletter folding meeting will be held **April 8th @ 10:00 am** at Teresa’s house, 757 Lakeshore Point, Coldwater.
- VII. Adjournment**: There being no further business to discuss, Kevin motioned to adjourn; Jim seconded. Meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jen Thome
Secretary