

SHAKER PINES LAKE ASSOCIATION
11/01/2022 Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order: 7:05PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Board Members Attendance:

Leslie Cunningham, Dan Hart, Lorraine Creedon (arrived late), Sharon Ledger, Jaime Macsata, Linda Ostapoff, Allison Cushing

Jaime Macsata – Tax Collector

Absent – George Temple and Jeremy Stefanik

Reading of Minutes –

October 4, 2022 SPLA –

Jaime Macsata made a motion made by to approve SPLA meeting minutes with changes. Seconded by Allison Cushing. All in favor.

Recommendations & remarks from SPLA Members

Clean up of the upper Cottage Road – Saturday, November 5th

Dan Hart is looking for a copy of the Insurance policy to see if we can get a better rate

Leslie was contacted by new insurance company stating they were going to cancel policy since a questionnaire was not completed and returned. They stated if questionnaire was completed and returned the policy could potentially be reinstated. NOTE: The Policy was reinstated.

Correspondence –

No Correspondence – Insurance update above

Treasurer Report - Lorraine Creedon

Capital Account \$153,577.24

Checking Account \$ 22,089.18

Activity Account \$ 1,619.28

Budget \$71k remaining

Tax Collector Report – Jaime Macsata

Taxes collected for October 2022 \$ 1,396.87

Total July 2022 – October 2022 \$ 26,817.75

Manual Payments \$ 20,835.64

Online Payments \$ 5,982.11

Total Outstanding Taxes - \$15,694.34

Additional payment of \$747.35 was received 10.27 online not included in Treasurers report due to timing.

Year	Amount Owed	# Tax Payers
2021	\$ 7,487.94	56
2020	\$ 3,963.50	22
2019	\$ 2,476.09	13
2018	\$ 983.63	6
2017	\$ 377.74	3
2016	\$ 390.26	2
2015	\$ 15.18	1
Total Taxes Due	\$ 15,694.34	

Currently -

50 Open Liens

2 Liens closed in September

Committee Reports -

Ecology - Leslie Cunningham

Boom was removed – Needs to be removed prior to lowering the lake. New boat fire department would not be able to get into lake when it is lowered.

Need to educate residents that the lake is lowered to allow lake front owners to clear up the beach area in front of their homes and complete any wall repairs that may be needed. Lake needs to remain lowered until the first hard frost. Russ and Val Ainsworth need the lake to remain lowered to work on their wall. Leslie will follow up with them as they thought the lake was only lowered for a few weeks.

Sharon Ledger suggested – Annual meeting have Pond and Management attend and discuss treatments, raising, lowering the lake etc.

No updates from people that were interested in dredging lake.

Property Committee –

Allison Cushing, George Temple, Leslie Cunningham, Linda Ostapoff, Cheryl Cote, Paul Cote, Dave Olson, Dan Smith and Jeremy Stefanik

Upper Beach clean-up Saturday, November 5th

No meeting this month

Will schedule one this month

Should we have Bill's do fall clean up, quoted \$1,225 – Allison will contact Bill's to determine what was completed. Schedule third week of November.

Stump grinding has been completed \$700- Chip-a-stump. Very happy with results. (Big Stump by Sherri Jackson's house was not taken down).

Sign up at 106 -No parking – Allison will get signs

Communications-

Elaine Olson

No updates – No Newsletter until after the Holiday's

Go to meeting issue – Had something to do with the Town changing vendors. Leslie will continue to work on resolving issues.

New Website Update

Curtis is busy with school –

Sharon Ledger suggested the following updates to the website. Add a Thank you page. Volunteer of the month page. Jaime will work with Curtis to see what can be done.

Sharon Ledger made a motion to purchase a \$100 gift certificate for Curtis Chase as a Thank you for all the work he has done on the new website. Seconded by Lorraine Creedon. All in favor motion passes.
Sharon Ledger will purchase gift card.

Activity Committee –

Linda Ostapoff

Leslie Cunningham, Jaime Macsata, Lori Parker, Carrie Temple, Stacy Daigle, Lisa Storm

No meeting for October

The Halloween Carnival was a great success, approx. 60 people in attendance

Wreaths and calendars are available for pre-order.

Wednesday, November 23rd, 6PM - Buona Vita hosts an evening of music and raffles to support the Shaker Pines Lake Children's Christmas Party.

Saturday, December 3rd, 10 to 12 – Food Drive at the Old Firehouse. Please bring non-perishable food donations to support those in need this Holiday Season. Also, wreaths will be available for pickup at this time.

Children's Christmas Party – Time and place will be announced on Facebook closer to the event. Treats, Toys, and SANTA! Please pre-register children by texting Carrie Temple at 860.416.4144.

Sunday, December 18th, 6PM – Lights on the Lake! The Lake looks amazing with all of your beautiful and creative displays. Lights should be up by Saturday, December 17th. Enter the contest by emailing your name and address to pineractivities@gmail.com. There will be 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners. Winners will be notified Sunday Evening and announced on the Facebook page.

1st Place Prize – Party Bus through Bright Nights with Gift Certificate to Red Rose

2nd and 3rd Place – Target gift cards

Old Business

Spillway Updates

Dan Hart would like for the committee to get together. He will reach out to Randy Daigle and Dan Smith.

Insurance Policy

Addressed above

Fish Gate – McGill

No update – Jaime did not send Dan Hart information for him to contact McGill. As he is not responding to Jaime.

Updates on 119 Cottage Road

Agreement has been delivered to Shari Jackson however, has not been signed yet as she is waiting for her attorney to reviewed.

Update WinStanley Truck Diversion from Cottage Road –

No Update

Update on Water Testing

Need to have water/sediment testing – DEEP will not test

No response from GZA

This is not something Pond and Lake Management does.

Difficult to prove is an issue with out a base line testing

Motion was made by Linda Ostapoff approval to contact Save the Lakes lawyer to obtain a name of a water testing facility that would complete the test, not to exceed \$500. Seconded by Leslie Cunningham.

All in favor, motion passes.

East Longmeadow – Construction near Jawbuck Reservoir – No update

Motion was made by Linda Ostapoff approval to contact Save the Lakes lawyer to obtain a name of a water testing facility that would

New Business –

Lorraine Creedon made a motion that would only require one signature on checks issued.

Seconded by Sharon Ledger

Discussion to only have one signature on check signing.

Linda/Allison Concern that with one signature checks – People could just write checks

Second signature is a check in place.

Lorraine is concerned that it is not always easy to have 2 authorized people available to sign checks.

Jaime Macsata would require a change to the By-Laws

Lorraine will contact bank and has revoked her motion.

Closing Remarks/Round Table

Meeting adjourned

Sharon Ledger made a motion to adjourn meeting @ 8:33 Seconded by Dan Hart.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Ledger