



**MEETING MINUTES** for  
**LONG LAKE ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING** conducted on  
**WEDNESDAY, November 17, 2021**  
**Zoom Conference Call**  
**5:00 PM – 6:30 PM**

**Call to Order**—*Meeting was called to order by President Schnell at 5:00 PM.*

**Roll Call:** Brent Schnell, Becki Watson, Rick Dahlstrom, Mark Cerny, Mark Walkowiak, Janice Moy, David Baker, Terrance Motley, Len Klein, Rick Kiehle.

**Approval of Agenda**—*Motley made a motion to approve the agenda; seconded by Watson. Approved.*

**Consent Agenda:**

(a) Approval of October 13, 2021 Meeting Minutes- No comments by the board members. October minutes approved.

**Member Comment:** *None*

**Public Comment:** *None*

Any LLA member is permitted to address a meeting of the Association. Comments will be limited to 5 minutes per member. If there is more than one person from any organization, then a member shall be chosen to speak from the entire group. Public comment does not mandate a response from the board at that meeting, but it may be put on the next meeting agenda for discussion.

**Old Business:**

- None

**New Business:**

- Discuss EGLE decision regarding the Barnes project. EGLE officially denied the permit application on 11/12/2021. Post on LLA website?

**Posted to the website by Kiehle on 11/15/2021. An appeal has been filed by the Barnes family.**

- Discuss proposing a bylaws change to go to a calendar fiscal years and putting it to a vote by LLA membership in June.

**Kiehle suggested a conference call be conducted with a previous treasurer (Michaela) and Gerry Chefalo to discuss the possible challenges with taking this action including changing the articles of incorporation. A path forward will be determined after this call.**

- Approve the 2022 Clear Water Lake Management contract. 2022 estimate using same annual treatment numbers: Permit- \$875; 2,4-D- 15 acres treated @ \$475/acre = \$7,125; Triclopyr- 8 acres treated @ \$430/acre = \$3,440; Total: \$11,440.00.

**The budget has been adjusted to reflect the actual numbers. Approve the revised budget line item for "Weed Treatment." Motion by Baker to approve the revised weed treatment contract; seconded by Walkowiak; unanimously approved by the board.**

- Discuss joint LLF/LLA end of year letter content including the LLF approved strategic initiatives shown below and also possibly including LLA membership stickers in a joint LLF/LLA year-end letter to LLA members. Discuss LLA also approving these items.
  1. Initiative Description: Help participate in funding a **study to understand what it would take and cost of implementing sewer and water system around Long, Mickey, and Ruth Lakes**. Initiative Benefits: Overtime no wastewater would find its way into the lakes and failed systems would no longer threaten drinking water. Timing might be right with new Infrastructure bills being proposed in Washington DC.
  2. Initiative Description: Help **fund new branded signage for the boat launches and islands**. Use QR codes on the signs to point them to more detailed information and where they can donate to help preserve our beautiful resources. Sign Locations: Crescent Shores Boat Launch, Gilbert Park Boat Launch, Picnic Island, Long (Olsen) Island, Fox Island, & South Island. GTRLC might be interested in putting in for two signs on Fox and South Islands. Initiative Benefits: The public will be more educated on the expectations of using the boat launch and preventing deposit of invasive species, island rules, and most importantly the lake including rules and etiquette. The public can also point their mobile device and get to LLA and LLF websites to learn further information and donate.
  3. Initiative Description: **Purchase 5 webcams total for Long (3), Mickey (1) and Ruth (1) Lakes that can connect to the LLF website** as we have done before. The goal is to provide lake views by leveraging people who are lake residents full time with internet and WiFi. Initiative Benefits: Camera feeds populate the LLF website with the purpose of driving traffic to the website and continuing our message to residents and guests. **The LLA can have a link on their site as well**



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to help with generating traffic. People who are not full time or live down south in the winter get to see what's happening on the lake from their location.

4. Initiative description: **LLF approved up to \$1000 To assist the Long Lake Association (LLA) in preparing, submitting, and (if funded) executing a MISGP project application to pilot benthic barrier treatments in the control of Eurasian watermilfoil (EWM) and also a ProcellaCOR pilot.**
5. Initiative description: **Continue to fund the NMC intern program to conduct water quality studies on Long, Ruth and Mickey Lakes next year in conjunction with the Long Lake Association Water Quality Committee.**

***A motion was made by Klein to approve support of these joint LLF/LLA strategic initiatives including adding Mickey and Ruth Lake cameras to the camera project scope; seconded by Cerny. Unanimously approved by the board. It was also agreed as part of this motion that the LLA will pay for the cost of the mailing to 2021-22 members including the cost to include the LLA membership sticker. LLF will fund the remaining cost of the mailing.***

- Discuss ProcellaCOR pilot on Mickey Lake for 2022 and approve a \$640 cost variance for Weed Treatment. ProcellaCOR Cost: \$3500 for one treatment of 3 acres. The cost for 2 treatments of 3 acres using 2,4-D is \$2860 for a difference of \$640.

***A motion was made by Klein to approve additional funding of \$640 to fund the incremental cost of a ProcellaCOR pilot on Mickey Lake in 2022; seconded by Baker. Unanimously approved by the board. Kiehle stated that drone photography should be performed before and after to allow the board to determine the effectiveness of the new treatment and possibly use in the grant proposal next fall.***

Motion by

- Discuss having different levels of LLA membership. We currently do have different levels of giving designated for giving an additional cash donation, but not specifically different membership levels. \$15 Friend; \$25 Participating; \$50 Contributing; \$75 Supporting; \$100 Centurian.\*

***This item will be tabled until 2022.***

**Committee Reports**

| <b>Committee</b>                            | <b>Topics</b>                                  | <b>Chair</b>             | <b>Time/Mins</b> |
|---|--|--------------------------|------------------|
| Financial Report                            | Review Financials/Budget Report                | Janice Moy               | 2                |
| Communication & Website Long Range Planning | Website Updates/ Long Range Planning updates   | Rick Kiehle              | 2                |
| Lake Management–Treatment                   | EWM Treatment Updates                          | Brent Schnell/Dave Baker | 2                |
| Lake Management–Studies                     | NMC Lake Studies & Water test unit             | Barry Lishawa/Len Klein  | 5                |
| Lake Management–Studies                     | Zebra Mussel Update                            | Rick Dahlstrom           | 5                |
| Lake Management–Prevention                  | Road Clean Up                                  | Mark Cerny               | 0                |
| Water Safety                                | Updates  | Mark Cerny               | 2                |
| Fishing Quality/Loon Mgt.                   | Updates  | Terry Motley             | 2                |
| Membership/Nominations Recreation/Social    | Newsletter & membership update/Open Board Seat | Becki Watson/ Rick White | 5                |
| Community Affairs                           | Updates  | Mark Walkowiak           | 5                |
| Island Maintenance                          | Updates  | Adam Adamczak            | 2                |

***Financial Report: Current funds balance of \$31,422.41. 15 of 36 of the phase 3 tumblers have been sold.***

***Communication & Website Long Range Planning: Kiehl stated he will update the MailChimp database with the emails included in the latest LLA membership spreadsheet.***



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**Lake Management–Studies:** *NMC Intern Lake report done. Need to recruit an assistant for Klein to eventually take over this committee. Klein suggested evaluating a shoreline survey and grant funding for an Enteric study as possible 2022 initiatives.*

**Lake Management–Studies-Zebra Mussel Update:** *Dahlstrom reported that at least 30 people reported having zebra mussels. Need to include info in the next newsletter for people who made reports. Also consider using the website for reporting zebra mussel sightings.*

**Water Safety-Cerny** will obtain the annual Sheriff Department report for activity on the lake and also a report for the Long Lake Township attendant stationed at the Crescent Shores boat launch.

**Fishing Quality/Loon Mgt.-Motley** reported that he did not receive any response from the DNR regarding a study to evaluate stocking Long Lake with walleye. Need to continue to monitor the zebra mussel impact on the wildlife.

**Membership/Nominations Recreation/Social:** *LLA Membership is currently at 419 which is about 5% lower than last year.*

**Community Affairs-Walkowiak** reported on the short-term rental situation on Long Lake. He provided information via email after the meeting. 97 current short-term rentals are permitted by Long Lake Township. Not sure what percentage of these are actually on Long Lake. House Bill 4722 was passed by the State of Michigan legislature. Uncertain if it will pass the State of Michigan Senate or not. President Schnell forwarded a “the Ticker” article regarding short term rentals to the LLA board members.

**Adjournment** at 6:40 pm

**2021/2022 Meetings/Events**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• November 10, 2021- LLA BOD Meeting</li><li>• April 13, 2022-LLA BOD Meeting</li><li>• May 11, 2022-LLA BOD Meeting</li><li>• June 6-LLA 2022 Annual Discussion Meeting/Welcome back to Paradise-Boone’s Long Lake Inn; Time: TBD</li><li>• July 13, 2022- 2021 LLA BOD Meeting</li><li>• August 10, 2022- LLA BOD Meeting</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• August 27, 2022- Annual Board Meeting-Boone’s Long Lake Inn 9:00-11:00 am</li><li>• September 14, 2022-LLA BOD Meeting</li><li>• October 12, 2022-LLA BOD Meeting</li><li>• November 9, 2022- (If needed) LLA BOD Meeting</li><li>• Adopt A Road Dates-TBD</li></ul> |
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