



White Lake Citizens League

Celebrating 55 years of service to White Lake residents

White Lake Citizens League Meeting Minutes 2017

Date: 26APR17

Officers: Tom DeSantis, Chuck Neville, Larry D'Angelo, Sean Whelan,

Directors: Lenny Wojewoda, Bill Maine, Linda Reid, Carol Webb, Gary Webb, Walt Koziol,

Guests: Bob Parrett, Debi Parrett, Janis D'Angelo, Frank Dyson, Gary Peters, Ken Jankowski, Bill Althoff (DNR), Mike Kuzmich, Rick Kowall (White Lake Twp Supervisor), Sam Osborn, Curt Green, Denise Laflamme, Chris Kurowski, Dave Reid,

Excused:

Agenda:

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| 1) Call to Order | Tom DeSantis | 11) Weed Control | Gary Webb |
| 2) Meeting Minutes | Sean Whelan | 12) Water Quality Testing | Sean Whelan |
| 3) Treasurers Report | Chuck Neville | 13) Sheriff Boat Patrols | Bob Parrett |
| 4) Closing DNR Boat Launch | Bill Althoff (DNR) | 14) Fireworks | Sean Whelan |
| 5) Communications | Bob Parrett | 15) Home Tour | Laura Galuardi |
| 6) 2017 Newsletter | Tom DeSantis | 16) WLIB | Walt Koziol |
| 7) Membership Drive | Linda Reid | 17) Sep 2017 Special Assessment District (SAD) | |
| 8) Business Drive | Lenny Wojewoda | 18) Fishing Tournament | Chris Kurowski |
| 9) Boat Parade & Merchandizing | Lenny Wojewoda | 19) New Business/Old Business | Tom DeSantis |
| 10) Social- Memorial Day Breakfast | Janis D'Angelo | 20) Adjourn | Gary Webb |

Notes:

- 1) Call to Order at 7:00
- 2) Meeting Minutes approved as written
- 3) Treasurers Report
 - a. \$552 income since last month
 - b. \$2280 disbursements since last month
 - c. Walt asked for a budget to be formed, or at minimum declare a minimum reserve amount to hold for potential future expenses. This has never been established in the past. Chuck to republish the reserve established last winter.
 - d. Walt Koziol moved to accept, Bill Maine seconded- unanimous pass
- 4) Closing DNR Boat Launch
 - a. WLCL expressed concern regarding the safety of the ramp angle depositing into the Marina Docks
 - i. Proposed designed reviewed and presented by Bill
 - ii. There are two ramps now with the dock in between
 - iii. The southernmost skid pad in ~5' closer and ~10deg pointed toward the marina docks
 - iv. The cost of the project is expected to be ~\$500,000
 - b. If you are concerned about the angle- please email Bill Althoff about your concerns and they will be addressed. althoffw@michigan.gov
 - c. Discussion about the fact that there is an area between the marina docks that's used as a boat launch

- i. DNR Bill does not have jurisdiction to enforce the use of private launches
 - ii. DEQ has jurisdiction regarding the approved permitting of boat launches on the lake
- d. Project start date has changed from May 10th to June 5 for a maximum of 90 days (Sep 3)
- e. WLCL spoke with 7 Harbors and they agreed to allow the use of their private ramp for fireworks and for two Sherriff boats whilst the
- f. Project has been “30 years in the making”
- g. Transmission of water-born invasive species
 - i. No plan to manage the additional risk of more invasive species
 - ii. Bill took that concern back to DNR management
 - iii. DNR thinks that it won't be a problem
 - iv. Dave Reid spoke about the units available for treatment and grant opportunities. The bare minimum required to protect the design for future upgradability of a cleaning station has not been included in the DNR plans.
 - v. If you are concerned about the transmission of Invasive species- please email Bill Althoff about your concerns. althoffw@michigan.gov

5) Communications

- a. There is a PACT (Police And Community Together) group that will communicate info about crimes etc.
- b. Bob is liaison
- c. Good forum for sharing crime info and disseminating information widely

6) 2017 Newsletter

- a. Tom circulated a draft of the newsletter

7) Membership Drive

- a. Flags will be ready Friday
- b. Will there be red safety flags included this year? Not planned.
- c. Block captains are in demand
- d. Seeking about 6 block captains.
- e. If you enjoy meeting new people, welcoming neighbors, and sharing in the joys of the WLCL and White Lake; please notify Linda Reid (or membership@wlcl.org) and we will get you on the team

8) Business Drive

- a. Lenny has plans to gather sponsorships from local businesses
- b. Prizes will be used for the boat parade

9) Boat Parade

- a. Theme this year will be Pirates of the Caribbean
- b. There will be prizes

10) Merchandising

- a. Lenny plans on hoodies this year.
- b. Clothing items will be available for the pancake breakfast

11) Social- Memorial Day Breakfast

- a. Denise Laflamme & Janis D'Angelo are leading this year
- b. Denise was extremely helpful in the Winter Carnival and will be working on the Pancake Breakfast – Thank You
- c. Janis has been running the breakfast for 12 years- Thank You
- d. If you like cooking, working with a team, and organizing events please notify us at membership@wlcl.org and we will get you on the team.
- e. Janis has \$1400 for supplies
- f. Jeannie Koziol and Debi will be working on flowers for center pieces

12) Weed Control

- a. Gary Webb met with Dick on Apr 4th to discuss 2017 plan and multi-year budget
- b. The funding in the budget is expected to cover this year's expenses

13) Water Quality Testing

- a. No Update

14) Sheriff Boat Patrols

- a. Bob & Tom are meeting with Sherriff to discuss this year's plans and expectations

- b. There is concern from some that the WLCL funds should not be used for Sherriff expenses
 - c. There is a 2016-2018 3-year contract with Sherriff with fixed hourly costs
- 15) Fireworks
- a. 7 Harbors has graciously agreed to permit two barges to use their private launch due to the closed public launch
 - i. The barges at time of loading will be WITHOUT any fireworks on them
 - 1. They are basically small light pontoon boats
 - b. Gen X Pyrotechnics reviewed the launch and assessed it as safe and adequate for use
 - c. Permit money was issued to GenX
 - d. Copy of Certificate of Insurance will be coming declaring WLCL and Seven Harbors as explicitly covered
 - e. Jason expressed his interest in managing the winter fireworks next year and urges the Winter Carnival committee to plan and allow proper permitting time with the township.
- 16) Home Tour
- a. June 17 is date for home tour
 - b. Discussion on the lottery
 - i. Previous rules showed priority to board members and past hosts
 - ii. Requests to allow priority for past loyal guests
 - c. Last year everyone that requested tickets was accommodated.
- 17) WLIB
- a. Walt is rep through the next approval season
 - b. Chuck will be taking over the role as WLCL member
- 18) Sep 2017 Special Assessment District (SAD)
- a. There will be a new plan presented for approval in 2017
 - b. Chuck, Tom, and Walt are working on that
- 19) Fishing Tournament
- a. 6th annual tournament
 - b. Date June 10
 - c. Chris's has an email blast that gets read by many fisherman around the lake
- 20) 2017 MLSA Meeting
- a. April 25-26, 2017
 - b. Linda & Dave Reid attended at Crystal Lake Resort
 - c. Eagle Lake in Cass County, 300acres. DNR is backfilling 1/2acre of lake to add a boat launch
 - d. They have literature available for review upon request
- 21) Annual Elections
- a. Joan Cooper resigned from board
 - b. 4 Seats currently open
 - c. Recommendations for nominations next month: Laura Galuardi, Denise Laflamme, Scott Trudell
 - d. You can't vote unless your dues are paid
 - e. Two officer positions expiring- Tom DeSantis & Chuck Neville
 - f. Member expiring Gary Webb, Lenny Wojewoda
- 22) New Business/Old Business
- a. Bob contacted two representatives from LaSalle Gardens regarding the use of their private launch.
 - i. They are open to permitting the use of their launch for donations to help repair their roads
 - ii. Bob will keep us updated and communicate specifics
 - b. Gary asked about coverage for the WLCL against fraud
 - i. Chuck reiterated that there is a D&O (Directors & Officers) insurance policy covering those board members that are authorized to write checks
- 23) Adjourn
- a. Motioned by Gary Webb, Seconded by Bill Maine, unanimously approved at 8:52

Sean Whelan
WLCL Secretary