

Harper Lake Association Board Meeting
Elk Township Hall
Saturday, May 29, 2021
7:30 A.M.

Meeting was called to order by Karen Brower at 7:30 A.M.

Roll call of board members:

Karen Brower, Annette McCormack, Anne Storberg, Dawn May, Kevin Storberg, Heather Davis, Brian Ritsema, and Craig Fazakerly

Secretary Report

The minutes from the April 12, 2021 Harper Lake Association Board meeting were approved by the Board. Brian Ritsema made motioned to accept with a second by Kevin Storberg. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Treasurer Report

The bank statement, at this time, is \$17,689.24. We have received Harper Lake Association Membership dues from 71 people at the time of this meeting. We budget for 85 paying.

We received \$1545 in fish stocking donations. We budget \$1000 from our HLA monies and \$800 in donations. We will have \$2545 for fish stocking expenses at this time. We have \$360 in donations for Harper Lake Day at this time.

A motion to approve the treasures report was made by Brian Ritsema, seconded by Kevin Storberg. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Committee Report Assignments:

1. Harper Lake Day-Dawn:

HLD will be held Saturday, July 3, 2021. The theme is Christmas is July. Dawn and Karen have been shopping for prizes. Dawn is working on the Scavenger Hunt. Karen and Dawn are working on the Float Parade. The Fishing contest location may change due to the passing of Jeff Toy. Jim Brown and Craig Fazakerly will be co-chairing the Fishing Contest this year. Brian Ritsema will host a new event to the 2021 HLD, a 50/50 drawing. All money will be paid out the same day. Depending on the turn-out there could be more than one winner. Brian will create a flyer with all of the information to be distributed to the Dock Captains. Karen will do a FB post.

2. Fish & Waterfowl-Kevin:

Kevin Storberg reported that the permit from the DNR has been obtained but the fish stocking has not happened at this time due to Stony Creek being behind on their schedule. The DNR has recommended we not plant walleye. This year we will be planting 500 3–5-inch perch and 500 5–7-inch perch. We will not be planting minnows at this time. Ann will take a list of names from the returned Dues/Volunteers forms for Kevin to contact for assisting on the day of stocking. Kevin will look into if we can plant non-hybrid blue-gills. Brian will explain at the Associations meeting about that we have a 3–5-year plan for our fish stocking. We will use \$1000 in Association funds and any fish stocking donations to plant fish in the spring and fall.

3. Weed Control-Kevin:

SAD-no questions at this time. PLM will be doing a written mailed notification.

Kevin stressed the importance of boat washing and encourages the board to connect people to the DNR and the DNR website. It has been brought to our attention that we now have zebra mussels in Harper Lake. Ann has offered to write an informational report on the zebra mussels and send to Karen.

4. Directory-Heather:

Heather would like to see the dues form mailer addresses to see if they are compatible with the directory. There was a one-time \$80 charge for formatting the new directory. The directory looks great Heather! Great job!

5. Newsletter-Karen:

The fall newsletter will contain information regarding the dues changes, HLD report, fish stocking information and by laws updates.

6. Website-Karen: updates for Harper Lake Day will be posted

7. Facebook-Karen: Karen will post updates here as well

8. HL Apparel-Heather: No changes at this time

9. Welcoming Committee- Heather: No changes at this time

10. Boat Launch/Buoys/Rake-Kevin made a motion to up to \$1200 to purchase 3 new buoys and supplies to repurpose the old buoys. Brian seconded the motion. All in favor.

Dawn offered to repaint/stencil the old buoys to use in the shallow areas where the dredging was done.

11. Road Cleanup-Kevin & Ann: No report at this time.

12. By-Laws-Dawn and Karen: No changes at this time.

Gypsy Moths:

Karen has updated the website with information concerning the information the we've gathered regarding the gypsy moths. There was also an informational flyer in the spring packet. Karen will discuss our findings at the board meeting. We will keep in contact with Lee, the expert dude, to come back in November/December for a fall check and then again in the beginning of March. Karen will email the invoice again to Ann for the payment for Lee's first visit. The charge was \$1000.

In the future we, as a board will need to look into what is involved with spraying, the costs, if a permit is needed and how we notify the residents

Other Business:

*Thank you, Craig for attending the MLSA conference. Topics included invasive species, weed control, short term rentals, and wake boats.

*Karen will reserve the Elk Township Hall for future meetings.

*Brian has offered to be the Harper Lake Dues enforcer. Good Luck, Brian!

*One of the board positions from last year was to complete a 2-year term and will need to be up for re-election. Craig agreed to take the 1-year term and Brian will take the 2-year term. Annette has decided to be up for re-election. Thank you for your time on the board, Annette.

Fall re-election will include:

Craig

Heather

Ann

And a new candidate

A motion to adjourn at 8:50 A.M. by Heather Davis, seconded by Dawn May.

Kevin Storberg resigned from the board on June 23, 2021. His position will be filled at the fall meeting.