

LEPOA Meeting Minutes
Monthly Meeting June 13, 2022-7:00 p.m. Cambridge Twp Hall

Call meeting to order- 7pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Election Results

Board Leadership Positions- Dan said they met on May 17th for an executive meeting. Dan stated that the board decided on the following for the committee chairs. Dan said he accepted the role of President, Vice President will be held by Christian Malcolm, and Tom Ciephal will be the Treasurer. Kathy Zmijewski will be taking on the Park's role and Tom will be the co-chair. Christian will remain on the Fish and wildlife committee, Compliance will be headed by Eric Cullum, water quality is going to stay under Phil Kittredge, and Don will stay on the building committee.

Approval of Minutes from May - Dan asked if someone could make a motion to approve the May minutes. Christian Motioned to change the minutes to include; *“The majority from this question*

raised their hand in favor for the June garage sale and the board will need to look into this for next year's garage sale”

right after the part that spoke about the garage sale topic. Kathy seconded the meeting minutes change; all were in favor of approving the minutes with the change.

Secretary Report-Jordin- Jordin asked Eric if we were filing the claim for the gate issue we had back in May. Eric said no because there was no vandalism to the gate. Jordin asked if the board wanted to do a paid zoom account for the board meetings to be held. Kathy suggested to do two links back to back. Jordin said she could have both links posted on the website for members to join. Tom mentioned that it might be good for documenting to have a paid zoom account because then we could record the meetings and make the recordings available for future people to view. Dan mentioned that we should look at the amount of people that join for the zoom to make the decision on whether or not we purchase a zoom account.

Treasurer's Report-Tom/Lee- Tom wanted to thank Lee for all the years of service that he served on the LEPOA board. Christian presented Lee with a giftcard to thank him for his years on the board. Tom went over the check detail, balance sheet, and the actuals vs the budget. Our spend trend is looking like it will be meeting the budget for 2022. Christian motioned to approve the treasurer's report, Eric seconded the motion, all in favor.

Committee Reports

Water Quality-Phil- Phil said working with EGLE continues to be a slow arduous process, but the sampling program to support the WMP continues nicely. They will be conducting the 4th round for the season on Tuesday and Wednesday. Also tomorrow, Limnotech will be installing sensors at key locations to help quantify the volume of water flowing into and out of the lake. John Garrison, owner of the farm on Springville Hwy, had identified to us some time ago a drain tile that comes west out of North Onsted and exits into Onsted creek on his property. With Mr. Garrison's permission, Tim H and I found the location last Monday and sampled the tile output and Onsted Creek before and after the tile exit. Also sampled at our standard location across from Mr. Garrison's driveway. Results from this should be interesting. At a future meeting, I would like to provide a quick update of sampling results, based on the presentation given to Bruce Nichol last month in an attempt to encourage a township septic inspection ordinance. We continue to support Gilgal Point in addressing issues with lots 38, 39, and 40. Dan asked about the different sampling locations and asked if we are creating an aerial map to show where sample points will be. Phil said he has a map of where they are sampling and could post it to the website. Dan wanted to make sure Phil had the support he needed, saying that he would write to officials if necessary. Tom asked if Phil has enough volunteers. Phil said that he did with the interns they have from Siena Heights University.

Fish/Wildlife-Christian- Christian said they will be electroshocking fish the next couple of nights, taking measurements and scales and returning the fish. Christian said we are suppose to do this every 5 years we are 2 years behind from covid. Dan asked what time this would be

taking place. Christian said between 8pm-11pm/12 am they will be out there. Dan asked if the storm conditions would affect these measurements? Christian said the conditions they were worried about is spawn. Christian said the walleye are getting bigger and better. Pat Coulter said we are seeing hundreds of die off of shad. Christian said we can't pinpoint the die off. It depends on temperature, oxygen deprivation and lots of other things that cause this. Q: Patrick Coulter asked if Christian has seen some walleye? A: Christian said yes, some. Christian said they could be eating a shad that's too big. Christian mentioned that walleye die from suffocation. Christian said he is not concerned about the walleye and if he feels it's concerning he will get a hold of our biologist.

Building-Don - Don was not able to make it to the meeting so he sent the following to be read in his absence. "Since our last meeting, the Building Committee has had 3 approvals: a new home in Kingsley 2, a new home in Gilgal, and a deck addition in Kingsley 1. I have requested township assistance with the by-law violations at 8282 Irish Mist."

Parks-Kathy Kathy said that Mrs. Slick will be her liaison for Galway Park. She has a lot of information to share so the following is a summary of her report. There was a tree at Shamrock Park and Irish Mist Park that were an issue. Kathy got a bid and took care of both of those trees. Kathy discussed the Tralee Park pump that we purchased and if we could return it to put those funds towards more pressing issues for the parks. Kathy mentioned that someone told her that there were not porta johns at all the parks. However, after further inquiries she found that Lot 2 and 6 do not need them because the slip renters live close enough. Kathy mentioned that she was notified that Irish Mist needed a new dock for another slip renter. Dan said we would discuss that issue further later in the meeting. Kathy asked if the ski course markers were installed. Mike Klien said the markers are in. Kathy mentioned that members asked her about the 4th of July fireworks. Members asked if the firework show could be moved to the Saturday of the 4th weekend. When Kathy called to ask Wolverine said that was not possible. Kathy will look into other vendors for next year. Eberly Park's roll a dock needed repair so

Kathy called Midwest immediately and had them come out and fix it. There was another issue with the gate. Jordin was not able to open it from her computer so Christian had to go down and manually open it and hold it open. Kathy called Seth for the repairs and we are waiting on parts to come in to fix the gate. The main issue was the antenna. That is on order with no date of when it will be installed. Kathy said we need to come up with a code system or better way to help vendors get in and out of the gate. A Galway Park dock had an issue and a member fell through. Kathy spoke with our dock person and Brian told her that 25% of our docks are in bad shape and needed to be replaced 5 years ago. She ordered a new dock for Galway since it was a hazard. Kathy said she drove by the front entrance and remembered another repair that Rod mentioned. The power to the west side pillars was cut and no one is owning up to the damage. Kathy is going to get a quote to fix the lighting. Kathy went over bids for Galway Park sand area, and bid the fences at Killarney Park & Galway Park to be pushed back. Tom said he had a discussion with the Lake Columbia board. They have shore line teams and he thought we could do parks teams in the same instance for Kathy. Tom said we have a gatekeeper at Stonehenge and he asked if we could have one for our launch gate. Stonehenge also does annual fence maintenance and they have extra materials on hand for repairs. Tom asked if the board could talk about that. They all agreed to discuss further at another meeting.

Compliance-Eric- A complaint came in about a neighbor that is letting their home deteriorate. However, it's not to the extent that the board or the township can step in. There is also an Irish Mist issue that will be discussed later. Patrick Coulter said there was an issue with lighting on a house across the lake. Christian said Gilgal has a lighting bylaw but LEPOA does not. Eric told Patrick to tell the homeowner to go and speak to the neighbors because the board cannot do anything other than go and speak with them on their behalf. Dan asked if he knew and Pat said he would go and speak on the homeowners' behalf.

President's Report-Dan- Dan wanted to recognize Rod for all the years he has been on the board. He wanted to make sure to say thanks to him.

Dan said he didn't have much to say because of all the strategic talk we have to do later in his report.

Sub-Associations

Gilgal, Irish Mist, Stonehenge Harry was present for Gilgal Point Harry McCann was elected President again. Ongoing issues with lots 38, 39, and 40. The attorney's letter went out through USPS and email. On the 28th there will be a face to face meeting to discuss issues and solutions. Dan asked who the representative from LEPOA? Phil said he is going to be there. Phil said Bruce Nichol is planning on being there as well. Patrick Coulter went over the verbiage of the attorney letter stating the who, what, and why they will be there.

IRISH MIST- Tom said the Irish Mist President is out of town, He said the official date for the bench trial (against Balor Construction Buzby property) is July 19th. Tom said they tried to get a restraining order to stop him but it was denied. Dan asked if anything was approved from the township and Phil said no. Tom said that Buzby was approved by the road commission for the private road for part of it. Tom wanted to bring up the docks in Irish Mist. Tom said that all the lots are sold and homes are being built there. Tom said that they do have it deeded in their bylaws that they would have docks for the back lot owners just. Dan said to stay for new business because he has questions about the Irish Mist bylaws. Tom said that there is a building issue and Kathy asked for LEPOA assistance for a letter to have the owner come into compliance with the building. Don was not at the meeting but Dan said to get in contact with him.

Stonehenge- nothing to report at this time.

Drain Commission/Township Meetings-Phil there was no Drain Commission meeting. At the township meeting they discussed the project for the Tecumseh traveling sports complex. Phil explained that they didn't get the funding from the state that they thought they would get and it was shelved. Phil said it might be good to have our insurance company come and explain our insurance coverage for our parks.

Old Business

- **Status of Gilgal legal correspondence/plan** - This was discussed earlier in the meeting.
- **Park(s) contracts status (approved actions status) (Kathy Z)-**
 Dan asked how we want to move forward, Lee said that new docks are recorded under capital improvements. The board discussed what different capital improvements they should reallocate the funds for. Christian said he would take out the 40 acres project and allocate that money elsewhere. Dan asked if we could move the money from capital to contingency. Lee said you can shift allocated money with board approval. Christian motioned for the funds for the 40 acres and the tralee project to be moved to the park's repair and maintenance account. Tom seconded, all in favor. Phil is asking if there is something short of 15K that we could do at the 40 acres. Dan said we dont have a good enough plan to just put that 15K towards something. Kathy said there is still work that needs to be done at Eberly Park. Christian motioned to officially cancel the logging of the 40 acres, phil seconded, all in favor.
- **Website performance/issues? Email domain name for emails (Jordin)** - Dan asked about the irish mist page and if the bylaws were correct that were on their. Jordin said the Irish Mist bylaws were not on our website. Dan asked about board member emails and changing them to loch erin emails. Jordin said she would reach out to the website creator and speak to her about the best options. Daphne Williams said that the Irish Mist restrictions are on the website, not the bylaws.
- **Status of Events Committee (Draft of Intent/responsibility) (Dan F)-** Kathy Kanable said the events group would be meeting on Friday June 17 and Dan said he would be a sound board for any questions they had.
- **Verify that 2 garage sale events have been approved as part of May meeting (May meeting minutes??)-** taken care of earlier in the meeting.

New Business

- **Boat Launch Gate, design review for exiting after delivering boat/pontoon (Kathy Z/Tom C)**- Kathy asked about a solution for pontoons being delivered. Phil said that the code on his card worked for entering and exiting the gate. He thought we could give codes to vendors instead of cards to help with the flow of boats being delivered. The discussion then moved to the gate issues. Eric said that the welded piece for the security pole should be moved forward on the gate company's dime because it wasn't put in properly to begin with. Kathy said she explained that to them and she said they also mentioned adding some boulders to help. She will continue to be in contact with them to get the gate up to our standards.
- **Dock availability and process to add dock at specific Park locations, Sub-Associations By-laws (Kathy Z/Tom C)** - Dan said according to the current Irish Mist bylaws the docks for Irish Mist should be absorbed by the lot owners 1,3,9, 39, 43. Dan asked if they were going to amend their bylaws. Tom Kanable asked if we want to maintain the control of the docks or if they want the docks to be put on Irish Mist. Dan wanted to ensure they were aligned with the bylaws. Lee Prettyman asked if Irish Mist was deeded like Gilgal Point. Jordin said they are not deeded. Dan asked Jordin about the dock process. Jordin explained that the process for Gilgal Point that they are deeded for back lots 74-10. Christian explained that we don't want to prioritize one park over the other. Patrick Coulter asked if we needed more docks. Paul Knapp spoke up and said that we should follow the Irish Mist bylaws as they are written. Dan asked for a motion. Eric motioned that the Irish Mist Association amend their bylaws and have the homeowner take an open slip available on the lake and make a priority list for docks for next year, Christian seconded. Eric I, Phil I, Christian I, Kathy Nay, Tom Nay. The motion passed 3-2.
- **Planning for LEPOA Vision Statement/Plan (Tom C)**- Tom said he spoke with all the sub associations to come up with a plan/vision. Tom wants to align the membership and the board on what we are looking toward. This was just a brief overview of his thought process. More to come in later meetings.

- **Capital Expense/Projects discuss criteria/weighting factor draft/presentation and discussion with LEPOA Members (Dan F)** Dan went over the criteria for capital project evaluations. He explained his process for creating this criteria based on environment, safety, community impact, complexity, and sustainability. More will come of this as well at another meeting.
- **Public roads and non-license vehicle use (Township(s) and Lenawee County ordinances/governance (Christian))-** Christian mentioned that members have asked him about golf carts and side by sides. The police chief is personally against this however, it's not his decision, it's a township board decision. Technically, with two township boards decisions (both Cambridge and Franklin) someone would have to do the legwork to get this ordinance to change. Rollin Township and Village of Grass Lake have gotten this done to amend the ordinance for golf carts and ORVs. If someone is interested in spearheading this talk to christian.

Public Comment-2 minutes

Joe Malak owns Kingsley 2 lot C prior to construction Claddaugh asked for the ski course sign to be moved, Mike Klien said he would move it.

Adjournment Phil moved, Eric second, all in favor. Meeting end at 8:57 pm.

Executive Session

Dan talked about a matrix for steak holders with having a liaison with. make a list for a future time, gabon jordin the tracking list needs to go on google docs, scope document PMP methodology of the narrative of what we are going to do. we tailor it to what we need it to be. buoys - asked christian to coordinate who does it. and volunteers to put them in. wants to make sure the committee chairs have the ability to act. Tom went over his LE spending flowchart and Treasurer and Budgeting guidelines. Littering and dumping by pickleball court is an issue, eric asked what should we do? thoughts were tossed around about signs or post on the website. Put on the newsletter for June what eric writes up. Christian brought up Lot 2 and 6 are owned by the township and next steps. jordin look in history, kathy talk to rod,

Phil said we should send a letter to representatives for encouragement of enforcement and penalty for the garno property. Phil will prepare a letter, christian said to add county officials, dan asked who sign letter, phil said gp writes one and we write one.

