

SAND LAKE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2012
CAMBRIDGE TWP OFFICE 7 PM

Board members present: Pres. Parsons, Vice-Pres. Pender, Treas. Petree, Sec. White, Shore Delegates; Ciliberti, Massey, Hoisington, Salisbury, Blank, and Alt. Hartwick,

- President Parsons called the meeting to order just a few minutes before 7 as there was no electricity at the meeting site.
- Sec. White read minutes from July 15 meeting. Motion to approve minutes 2nd all ayes.
- Treasurer's report submitted. \$27,205.03 bal. Total amount of \$2500 for the July 4th fireworks to Sand Lake Club. Bob Hoisington moved and Greg Ciliberti 2nd to approve \$425 check to Sand Lake Club for remainder of fireworks money. All Ayes. Treasurer's report received and approved by vote. All ayes.
- Lake Management Report – John Salisbury

John reported that the Lake invasive species are under control at the moment to that the last 2 proposed treatments will not be needed this year. The weeds we are seeing now are a result of low water levels and a very hot summer with no rain. These weeds are of the native species that we need in the lake. These weeds are a nuisance and can be removed by the SLPOA property owner. The weed uprooter and weed cutter can now be used by SLPOA members at no charge. There is however, a \$50 deposit that will be refunded when equipment is returned in good shape. Caution should be taken NOT to cut or uproot invasive species as that will spread them. A picture of the invasive species will be attached to the weed cutter so that all will be able to decipher between the good and the bad.

- Bob Hoisington moved and Irene Petree 2nd to allow SLPOA members use of the weed removal equipment at no charge, but a \$50 deposit. All ayes.
- Bob Hoisington moved and Irene Petree 2nd a clarification to allow the LMC to submit information via the Google list after the Board has had time to digest and approve it. All Ayes.
- Mike Pender has information on another mechanism for weed cutting: Jenson Lake Mower. Irene would like to have more info on the Jenson product as it is much less money to buy. LMC will look into it.
- Bob Hoisington moved and John Salisbury 2nd to have LMC research Jenson and other tools on the market for weed removal. All Ayes.

Next

- Communication Committee Report

Sue Macauley spoke for the Committee and recommended the Dot.com option for our website. Curt Baldwin spoke up and volunteered to talk with Sue about finding a cheaper alternative to Dot.com. Mike Pender feels \$1600 is still too expensive as

there are any numbers of alternatives to web design. Curt Baldwin will recommend some site to look at. He is not willing to propose his own design. Committee will consider Curt's recommendations. Dowe Parsons said we are all part-timers and if proposal is tabled nothing can begin until next year as our next meeting will be in 2013.

- Bob Hoisington move to accept the Communication Committee recommendation to contract with Dot.com web design subject to suggestions provided by Curt Baldwin to enhance site and limit costs as feasible to develop the web site on a timely basis. Also, specifically authorize Pres. Parsons to sign contract up to \$1600 for design and \$150 for hosting. John Salisbury 2nd. All Ayes.

Old Business

- Comcast: Bruce Diven and Don Massey met with Comcast official MarkWrestler for the purpose of finding or lowering SLPOA member's cost. Comcast has a monopoly. There are no deals, but, Mark can negotiate a better deal because he is in the business of signing up new customers and has some flexibility with initial agreements. The best thing to do is for new customers check Comcast promos and call Mark for a possible better deal. The Committee was not able to negotiate any type of improved arrangements for seasonal customers but he is willing to personally assist. He will pick up the equipment when disconnecting in the fall. This saves the hassle of returning the equipment by UPS. In the spring he will personally deliver and hook up the equipment after an agreement has been reached. In addition, seasonal customers will NOT have to sign a yearly contract when negotiating with Mark. The negative is that a telephone number can not be retained year to year. Mark Wrestler's contact number is 517-416-3919 or MarkWrestler@cable.comcast.com. Also, persons can call the retention department at Comcast 800-266-2278 for current deals.

New Business

- Muck build-up: Irene Petree is concerned with the build-up of muck in the North cove and other spots in the lake. She said a hyper growth of weeds and native species have led to a difficulty in maneuvering in the water of the cove. Bob Hoisington suggested we need a strategy for cleaning up the muck. John Salisbury will check with State Park officials and the LMC will start checking into it as well. Mary Alice Kozemchek said she knows of 2 properties that have successfully dealt with muck and had success. Dowe Parsons will help with this as well.
- Communication via Google List: Sue Macauley handed out a plan for the SLPOA communication on the Google list. June, July, August send emails bi-weekly in a newsletter format. September to May send out emails quarterly. Each newsletter will be distributed to the Board members before general distribution.

Irene Petree moved and John Salisbury 2nd Google email to be used for information to be seen easily so the Board can review it before being sent out. They are requesting info to be sent by PDF. Then it will be passed to Sue to be sent out to general list. All ayes.

Bob Hoisington moved that the SLPOA Board, just elected members, be able to conduct business by email using “reply all”. Secretary will send document for final action of board. Greg Ciliberti 2nd. All ayes.

Member questions and comments

- Deb Hartwick submitted final Cottage Tour and Tunes on the Lake Report.
- Bev Harpster reported on Lost and Found. She would like to keep the job and be able to report items for website.
- Anne Massey would like to know how many dues paying members we have in the SLPOA this year.

Adjournment

- Don Massey moved and Greg Ciliberti 2nd to adjourn at 9:00 PM. All ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah White, Secretary