

HLP Board Meeting Minutes 2/6/23

Attendees:

Sharon Helbig	Tony Mendicino
John McGrath	Dennis Griffin
Michael Philipson	Mary Gentzke
Lisa Eckam	Brett Brien
Tim Fess	

Minutes from 1/9/23

Minutes were reviewed. John McGrath corrected the minutes to read the “new volleyball net and the new toddler swing seat have arrived and are in his shed.” Motion was made to approve the 1/9/23 minutes with changes by Dennis Griffin and seconded by John McGrath. All in favor.

Treasurer’s Report:

Dennis Griffin reported that we have paid the county taxes, our accounting person for the fourth quarter and the directors’ insurance. Dennis Griffin moved \$40K (emergency fund) into a money market fund earning 2%. There was a credit card charge for the maps for the snowplow company. We received a final payment from the bankruptcy court for a member who went bankrupt. He still owes dues for last year as well.

Sharon Helbig sent out an email to remind all members we are sending the invoices out via email this year instead of snail mail and that the dues are \$375.00 for 2023. Those that do not have an email will be sent via USPS. Our accounting person has everything ready to go and has sent out the email invoices and mailed the hard copy invoices.

There was a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report made by Sharon Helbig and seconded by John McGrath. All in favor.

Roads Report:

Tim Fess reported he had a conversation with Tom Fleig regarding the flooding of our properties from East Lake Road. Tom Fleig indicated he was not interested in doing anything to fix this problem. Tim fess will elevate the issue and let us know. We may need to take this to the town board.

We also discussed the need to get moving on replacing the Bellevue Street bridge. Tim Fess will research and gather costs for the pre-cast concrete pipes/forms. Lisa Eckam will have Joe Eckam call Tim with the information he gathered for us on the pre-cast pipes/forms so we don’t duplicate efforts.

Tim Fess continues to research an excavating company to assist us with the remaining aprons that need to be repaired or lengthened. He will also work on getting quotes for the board approved speed bumps for the HLP community roads as we are receiving complaints regarding speeding on our streets. Hobart St. and Columbia St. are recent streets mentioned in emails from the community. Sharon Helbig will call UPS and Fed-Ex as well to complain about them speeding on our roads.

We also discussed having those who are renting their properties put the 10mph speed limit in their rental agreement. That way if their tenants are speeding, they can be held accountable. They should also post the speed limit in a prominent position somewhere in their rental.

Shoreline Report:

Brett Brien spoke with us regarding the need for dock/hoist space identification markers. We agreed that a permanent solution is putting the cart before the horse. We need to complete the shoreline restoration prior to installing any permanent dock/hoist space markers. Therefore, we decided to go with a shot term solution with either stickers for the docks/hoists or a tin marker.

We discussed the boat registration process. There is already a boat registration capability online on the website. It is under “Shoreline News.” Michael Philipson will look at the information in the system to see what is already there and get it to Sharon Helbig to add to the master member list.

We then discussed the shoreline restoration. The DEC has not contacted us since they received our permit submission. Rick Helbig has contacted them numerous times without a response. Sharon Helbig will call the DEC again and let them know we need them to pay attention to our request. It has been a year since we submitted the permit paperwork. We will also contact Meghan and Katie from the Ontario Soil & Water Conservation District to seek their assistance with the permit process. Joe Eckam and Rick Helbig will identify the test area to be done in the Spring and identify where the high-water mark is

We again discussed a HLPAs dock system. Brett Brien indicated he has members who would be willing to support the purchase of the dock system and not have to put their docks/hoists in and out of the water every year. Those who choose to utilize this dock system would have to pay a premium for its' use. The marina would be hired to put the dock system in and take it out and store it in the fall. We still have to look into the liability, maintenance, location, etc. This would help alleviate the waiting list for docks/hoists we currently have.

Parks and Recreation Report:

John McGrath reported all is good in the park.

We talked about doing "Dock Days." This would entail picking specific dates to have members put their docks and hoists in the water. We would provide a "food truck" in the park and make it a fun process and a way to promote helping neighbors and getting to know your neighbors. Make it a celebration of the closing of winter. The dates we selected are: Saturday, April 29th – Saturday, May 13th and Saturday, May 27th. Sharon Helbig will send an email out in March and April to communicate these dates.

John McGrath suggested we purchase a zero-turn mower that would be owned by HLPAs to mow the park vs. having a landscaper do it every year. Sharon Helbig will obtain a quote on a zero turn mower as her daughter works at American Equipment. John McGrath will continue to gather quotes from landscape companies such as; Benson, Jim Tubbs, etc.

Website Report: All is good. Dues can be paid online now.

Open Discussion:

Apparently a member mentioned to one of the directors that they think there is increased demand on our roads due to visitors. We are not aware of any issues and we have not been notified of anything.

There was then a motion to adjourn the meeting made by Tim Fess and seconded by John McGrath. All in favor.

Next Meeting:

Please note: Our next Board of Directors' meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 6th, 2023 @ 6:00pm. This meeting will be held virtually. Please check your email for the link to the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Helbig
Secretary, HLPAs Board