

**THE DOUGLAS LAKE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION  
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

**AGENDA AND NOTES**

*Members Present:* Officers - Holly Gedert, Frank Beaver, Joan Hartwig, Walt Naumer; Directors – Martha Beechler, Chick Hershberger, Mark Paddock; Zone Reps – Linda Alexander, Gail Beaver, Betty Cassidy, Diane Ellman, Judy Greubel, Jan Huntley, Ron Kelemen, John Kurkjian, Jayne Morse, Betsy Naumer, Joyce Oldham, Linda Orlow, John Perkins, Evelyn Schulte, Mary Ellen Sheridan; Standing Committee Chairs – Marilyn Kelemen, Peter Klaas, Gwen Kuehn; UMBS representative - Karie Slavik; Guest – Susan Klaas

*Date:* Saturday, June 6, 2015

*Time:* 10 a.m. – 12 noon

*Location:* Pellston Regional Airport  
2<sup>nd</sup> floor Conference Room

Agenda Item	Discussion	Decisions/Findings	Next Steps
Call to Order/Opening – Holly Gedert	Holly called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. and welcomed all in attendance.	One third of Executive Board constitutes a quorum; quorum noted.	
Minutes of the Previous Meeting/Attendance – Joan Hartwig	Minutes distributed; no corrections.	Motion made (M. Sheridan); seconded (J. Oldham); approved to accept the 09-06-14 minutes.	
Treasurer’s Report – Walt Naumer (see attached)	2014 dues increase, has improved the DLIA cash position. Members have been sending dues to P.O. Box since the first of the year.	<b>05/31/15</b> Cash position - \$47,131.53 <b>09/04/14</b> Cash position - \$54,677.44	
Budget/Finance – Holly Gedert (see attached)	<p><b>New Financial Report</b> will be for the fiscal year, using summary and detail reporting templates as the continuing financial reporting standards to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prior year Budget and Actual YTD</li> <li>• Current year Budget &amp; Actual YTD</li> <li>• Includes Cash Assets, Income and Expenses</li> <li>• Forecast (for future years) of Budget, Income, and Expenses</li> </ul> <p>• <b>Additional 2015 budget considerations:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TOMWC Shoreline Survey will take place in 2015, 2016, 2017.</li> </ul>	<p>Motion made (M. Sheridan); seconded (Gail Beaver); and approved to accept the summary and detail reporting templates presented on 06/06/15, as the continuing financial reporting standards.</p> <p>Motion made (L. Alexander); seconded (C. Hershberger); and approved to use the approved financial templates for DLIA’s general financial reporting at DLIA Annual meetings and at DLIA Board meetings where annual budget data; YTD assets, income and expenditures; and previous completed fiscal years are reported.</p>	Implement the use of the approved financial templates.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expenses of 2016 Aquatic Vegetation Study may split – 2/3 DLIA; 1/3 UMBS.</li> <li>• Galerucella Beetles to control purple loosestrife on Van Road this year will cost \$415.</li> <li>• 2015 DLIA Picnic in conjunction with Annual Meeting at UMBS - \$2400 is in the budget.</li> <li>• The <b>Bylaws Committee</b>, chaired by Bill Hartwig, has met once. They are considering updates to required positions, including the use of standardized forms.</li> <li>• <b>Budget/Finance Committee</b> to meet in September after the last merchandise sale.</li> <li>• <b>Approval of 2015 Budget</b></li> </ul>	<p>Motion made (M. Sheridan); seconded (M. Beechler); and approved the 2015 budget.</p>	
<p>Appointments/committee changes – Holly Gedert</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communications committee changed to <b>News Team</b>, chaired by Linda Orlow.</li> <li>• Boat Ramp name changed to <b>Twp. Liaison – DL Ramp</b>, chaired by Chick Hershberger.</li> <li>• <b>Loon Nesting &amp; Pike Marsh</b> to include Rich Gedert, along with Dave Thompson and Bill Hutto. Rich Gedert and Jim Hodgson built the Marl Bay loon platform and split the cost.</li> <li>• <b>2015 Picnic</b> committee will be chaired by Martha Beechler.</li> <li>• <b>50 year Anniversary Committee</b> to be scheduled for 2017, will be chaired by Frank Beaver.</li> </ul>		
<p>News Team/New Logo – Linda Orlow</p>	<p>L. Orlow thanked all who contributed to the last <b>DLIA Newsletter</b>, which included the new DLIA logo. H. Gedert commended Linda for getting many members involved.</p>		<p>Suggestions for future newsletters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Include future submission deadlines</li> </ul>

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DL Rd. Boat Ramp – Chick Hershberger	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Decision made last fall that the ramp needed to be between 3-4 degree slope back from water's edge (about 90 ft.) to provide improved drainage and easier launch experience; work to be done Spring 2015.</li> <li>• C. Hershberger obtained permit on behalf of DLIA/Munro Twshp. \$10 fee paid by Chick.</li> <li>• Super M Excavating awarded the bid (\$2200); completed ramp work 05/20/15; company will be partner on future ramp work.</li> <li>• Expenses shared with Munro Township. DLIA donates 50% of costs to the township.</li> <li>• Chick thanked P. Kaiser, B. Duffey, B. Watz for their work on the committee, and P. Kaiser for storing ramp for Munro Twshp.</li> <li>• Possible trash pump purchase/rental for blowing sand off ramp.</li> </ul>		<p>Reimburse C. Hershberger for \$10 permit, paid from personal funds.</p> <p>C. Herberger to gather information re: trash pump purchase/rental possibilities, and present information to the Executive Board.</p>
Environment – John Kafer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Galerucella Beetles to control Van Rd. purple loose strife will be placed next Wed.</li> <li>• Movement to remove (2017) Maple River dam at the Dam Site Inn. Weir may be need to be installed to prevent upstream invasion.</li> <li>• Tip of Mitt shoreline survey will commence this year.</li> <li>• Bessey Creek monitoring – 8 members needed; hope some will be from DLIA.</li> <li>• Lake Association Summit will take place in Petoskey, June 2015.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reach out to Pellston and Cheboygan high school graduates, and promote the ½ year NCMC Watershed Academy training.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First graduates of NCMC Watershed Academy, this spring.</li> <li>• Raptor count this spring in Mackinaw City – 49,000+</li> </ul>		
Michigan Lakes and Streams Association Conference/Invasive Species – Peter Klaas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DLIA paid registration fees for P. Klaas, Bill Hartwig to attend ML&amp;SA conference, Boyne Falls, May 1 &amp; 2. Susan Klaas also attended; paid own fee. Focus – Monitoring and management of invasive species, eradication methods, <i>Clean Boats Clean Waters</i> program, water quality management.</li> <li>• Laminated plant management chart (Midwest Aquatic Plant Management Society) shows both invasive and non-invasive lake plants. DLIA will order a supply for members.</li> <li>• S. Klaas reported swimmers’ itch medication available at Modern Pharmacy, Cheboygan.</li> <li>• H. Gedert has 2 copies of “Natural Shoreline Landscapes” for borrow/purchase (\$10) from 2014 ML&amp;SA conference; thanked Pete, Bill, and Susan for attending 2015 conference.</li> <li>• P. Klaas has had folks at DL boat ramp for a couple of years, talking with boaters re: <i>Clean Boats Clean Waters</i>; DEQ focus on 06/26-07/05.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Investigate possible distribution of plant management chart to DLIA households. Present availability in E-News.</li> <li>• P. Klaas to solicit volunteers for DL boat ramp <i>Clean Boats Clean Waters</i> promotion.</li> </ul>
Merchandise – Marilyn Kelemen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report on unsold merchandise in 2014 and 2015; new 2015 merchandise.</li> <li>• 2016 calendars list contributors on back of calendar; 165 available</li> <li>• Rethinking “online” store availability; reduce work hours for volunteers.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Future plans for “online” merchandise store.</li> </ul>

<p>Directory – John Kurkjian</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2015 Directory, printed by Key Printing, available in next couple of weeks.</li> <li>• \$15,375 directory ad collection; funds directory publication.</li> <li>• The Board chose new DLIA logo by vote last Jan – Mar. Selected logo by Nancy Rabitoy.</li> <li>• Entire membership section formatted by Gwen Kuehn; emergency numbers updated.</li> <li>• Directories to be distributed to all advertisers.</li> <li>• Emphasized the message that it is for personal use only; not for commercial use.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact J. Kurkjian if able to distribute directories to advertisers.</li> </ul>
<p>Unfinished Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DNR Search for launch site – Holly Gedert</li> <li>• Website renewal – Chick Hershberger</li> <li>• Other</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DNR offer to purchase property not accepted.</li> <li>• DNR states current DL ramp is unsafe.</li> <li>• DNR continuing property search.</li> <li>• DLIA website domain renewed through Mar. 2018; hosting through Aug. 2018; cost \$150.98 with GoDaddy.</li> <li>• Renewal of domain (03/18) will allow both domain and hosting to be synced.</li> <li>• W. Naumer stated DLIA is in best financial position in recent years, credited H. Gedert and L. Alexander.</li> <li>• M. Paddock mentioned R. Gedert’s recommendation to place a sign at the boat ramp cautioning and educating boaters about the loons.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Keep members informed of DNR future boat ramp plans.</li> <li>• Prepare and place DLIA loon nest sign.</li> </ul>
<p>New Business</p>			

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dues notice to members 2016 – Gwen Kuehn</li> <li>• Boat Assist Program – Ron Kelemen</li> <li>• Picnic – Martha Beechler</li> <li>• 2017 Committee – Frank Beaver</li> <li>• Other</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Begin new process Jan. 2016 – send each member a dues letter requesting payment and update directory information to P.O. Box.</li> <li>• Summer dues and personal updates can be sent to P.O. Box or given to the zone rep.</li> <li>• Inform members how dues are used by the DLIA.</li> <li>• Proposed boat rescue squad; provide households with list of current squad members (R. Kelemen, C. Hershberger, P. Keiser, R. Gedert, L. Orlow), and others.</li> <li>• If approved, basic volunteer training provided by L. Orlow.</li> <li>• DLIA Picnic after Annual Meeting will be first in four years; Sunday, August 23. Time TBD.</li> <li>• Catering of main course; \$2,400 budgeted; details forthcoming.</li> <li>• 50<sup>th</sup> DLIA Anniversary event.</li> <li>• Exploring DLIA origins, past president photos, history, past DLIA minutes, etc.</li> <li>• Possible location: DLB, Pellston Pioneer Park, etc.</li> <li>• E. Schulte – New 20x10 Sunshield canopy available, \$200; possibly for DLIA purchase/rental for merchandise sales.</li> <li>• J. Perkins inquired about possible new Internet availability.</li> <li>• J. Hartwig indicated DLIA has not received minimum number of</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• H. Gedert and J. Huntley to investigate legal ramifications for DLIA</li> <li>• Notify through e-News, if approved.</li> <li>• K. Slavik to verify UMBS alcohol consumption policy.</li> <li>• Provide F. Beaver with any historical information and ideas re: location.</li> <li>• Determine potential DLIA liability issues</li> <li>• E-News survey to ask members which Internet service they presently use, and monthly costs. J. Hartwig to prepare.</li> </ul>
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	<p>potential customers for possible RACC/UMBS service.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• H. Gedert stated that <b>Exede</b> is a rural option available to everyone, but PIE&amp;G customers receive a discount.</li></ul>		
Adjournment	12:08 p.m.		
Minutes Submitted by: Joan Hartwig, Secretary			