

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

**AGENDA AND NOTES**

*Present:* Officers - Holly Gedert, Joan Hartwig, Sue Klaas, Mary Ellen Sheridan; Directors – Mark Paddock; Zone Reps – Linda Alexander, Gail Beaver, Jan Huntley, Mary Ann Huntington, Jayne Morse, Betsy Naumer, Joyce Oldham, John Perkins, Evelyn Schulte, Ruby Wendling, Suzanne Witthoff; Standing Committee Chairs –Sharon Fortner, Gwen Kuehn, Bill Hartwig, Pete Klaas, Dave Thompson

*Date:* Thursday, August 10, 2017

*Time:* 3-5:00 p.m.

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

Agenda Item	Discussion	Decisions/Findings	Next Steps
<b>Opening by the President</b> – Holly Gedert	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Holly called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. and welcomed all in attendance.</li> <li>DLIA Purpose (<u>DLIA Bylaws 2016</u>) was reviewed: <i>The purpose of the Association is to preserve, protect and improve the quality of Douglas Lake and its environs and the quality of life of its residential community.</i></li> <li>Holly noted: <i>This is a special year. 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the DLIA. We celebrated in a grand way on Sunday, August 6. Thank you to all members that created the event, and to those who participated in the event. And thanks to Maple River Pub for doing such a fantastic job that day.</i></li> </ul>	One third of Executive Board constitutes a quorum; quorum noted.	
<b>Minutes of the Previous Meeting/Attendance</b> – Joan Hartwig	No corrections.	Minutes of 06/15/17 approved as presented.	
<b>Treasurer’s Report</b> – Sue Klaas (see attached)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Financial Report</b> through 08/10/17 was distributed. Cash assets - \$73,500.31</li> <li>Sue indicated the DLIA financial position is very good.</li> <li>Reports of the 08/10/17 <b>Outstanding Expenses</b> and the <b>Budget Detail</b> were reviewed.</li> </ul>	<p>Treasurer’s report approved as presented.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Several questions raised re: outstanding expenses, and 2017 budget.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sue to revise reports, including 2018 Budget, and forward to Executive Board.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sue reported CD rates are 0.15%; MM rate is 0.05%.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2018 Budget Detail to be noted as <b>Proposed</b>.</li> <li>• Purchase of new CDs TBD.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Appointment/Committee Changes – Holly Gedert</b> (see attached)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chairs are needed for Budget/Finance, Internet, Lake Access Oversight, and Merchandise.</li> <li>• Sharon Fortner was introduced and proposed as the new Shoreline Stewardship Committee chair.</li> <li>• Jim Hodgson will replace Bill Hutto on the Loon Nesting and Pike Marsh Committee.</li> <li>• Holly was thanked for her interim leadership on the Merchandise Committee.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sharon approved as chair.</li> <li>• Recycling - Sharon suggested the DLIA website provide links to the <a href="#">Cheboygan County Recycling</a> and the <a href="#">Emmet County Recycling</a> websites.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Committee Reports</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Membership Administration – Gwen Kuehn (see attached)</li> <li>• Shoreline Stewardship – Sharon Fortner</li> <li>• Environment-Water Quality – Holly Gedert for Sam Gaither</li> <li>• Invasives – Pete Klaas</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dues collection (01/01/17 – 08/09/17) - \$7,625.</li> <li>• 348 members as of 08/09/17.</li> <li>• Only 22 members have not paid 2017 dues as of 08/09/17.</li> <li>• Four new members (households) in 2017.</li> <li>• Sharon displayed a Spotted Knapweed flower, a common invasive species, which crowds out native species. She urged that it be pulled out and destroyed.</li> <li>• Sam continues to monitor the water quality.</li> <li>• Is UMBS sharing oxygen levels with TOMWC?</li> <li>• No invasive plants reported. Purple loose strife is being managed.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Uncertain</li> </ul>	<p>Check with Karie Slavik.</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loons – Dave Thompson</li>   <li>• Merchandise – Holly Gedert</li>   <li>• News Team – Holly Gedert for Linda Orlow</li>   <li>• Community Relations – Bill Hartwig</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DLIA purchased a 250 sq. ft. impervious blanket to place over invasive plants in water.</li> <li>• Clean Boat brochure placed on vehicles at the DLB boat ramp.</li> <li>• No follow-up on aquatic plant survey from TOMWC.</li>   <li>• In 2017, 3 of 4 nests had eggs.</li> <li>• 2018 proposed budget lists \$500 for one camera for a loon platform.</li> <li>• Suggest we raise funds for 1-2 additional cameras.</li>   <li>• Sales are covering costs, and will have some profit at year end.</li> <li>• Merchandise financials 07/31/17: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Income - \$9,518.93</li> <li>○ New merchandise \$7165.64</li> <li>○ Storage fee due 09/01/17 - \$1,200.</li> <li>○ Tables, fee, S&amp;H - \$1,054.48</li> <li>○ Sales estimate 08/12/17 - \$1,500</li> <li>○ Sales estimate 09/03/17 - \$1,980</li> <li>○ Estimated balance 09/04/17 - \$3,478.81</li> </ul> </li>   <li>• November Newsletter <b>deadline is October 1.</b></li> <li>• <a href="#">Brave Hearts Estate</a>, a retreat center for veterans on Ely Road (2 miles west of US 31), Pellston, will host a cocktail party and tour of the facility on Sunday, August 13, 7:00 p.m.</li>   <li>• Continues to attend Cheboygan County Road Commission, and Munro Township meetings.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Invasive Species committee members, with the help of some UMBS Stewards, will do a test setup of the blanket on 08/11/17.</li> <li>• It was noted that 150' of shoreline is for sale on Silver Strand next to the LTC property at Bessie Creek.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mark Paddock and Holly Gedert will talk with LTC, hoping they will have interest in acquiring the land.</li> </ul>
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<b>Unfinished Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leftover food from the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event was packaged and taken to Brave Hearts Estate.</li> <li>• Gail Beaver indicated the Volunteer Committee will continue to explore methods to improve the volunteer database.</li> </ul>		
<b>New Business</b>	None		
<b>Agenda for Annual Meeting – Holly Gedert</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting scheduled for 08/20/17, 2 p.m. at UMBS.</li> <li>• Slide show prepared for DLIA 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to be shown.</li> <li>• Other details of meeting discussed.</li> <li>• Jennifer McKay, will provide news from the TOMWC and a Pipeline 5 presentation.</li> </ul>		
<b>Adjournment – 5:05 p.m.</b>	Motion made by M.E. Sheridan; seconded by John Perkins to adjourn.	Motion passed.	
<b>Minutes Submitted by: Joan Hartwig</b>			