

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

AGENDA AND NOTES

Present: Officers - Holly Gedert (President), Joan Hartwig (Secretary), Sue Klaas (Treasurer), Mary Ellen Sheridan (Vice President); Directors – Frank Beaver, Bill Foster, Mark Paddock; Zone Reps – Linda Alexander, Gail Beaver, Jan Huntley, Ron Kelemen, John Kurkjian, Jayne Morse, Betsy Naumer, John Perkins, Ruby Wendling, Suzanne Witthoff; Standing Committee Chairs –Sharon Fortner, Bill Hartwig, Pete Klaas, Dave Thompson; Members – Barbara Huey, Marilyn Kelemen

Date: Monday, August 6, 2018

Time: 3-5:00 p.m.

Location: Pellston Regional Airport
2nd floor Conference Room

| Agenda Item | Discussion | Decisions/Findings | Next Steps |
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| Call the Meeting to Order by the President – Holly Gedert | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holly called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m. and welcomed all in attendance. The 2016 adopted DLIA Purpose was reviewed. | One third of Executive Board constitutes a quorum; quorum noted. | |
| Minutes of the Previous Meeting/Attendance – Joan Hartwig | No corrections. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes of 06/11/18 approved as read. | |
| Treasurer’s Report –Sue Klaas (see attached) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financial Report through 07/31/18 was presented. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financial report approved as presented. | |
| <p>President’s Report – Holly Gedert</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Officer transition | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holly announced this is her last Board meeting as DLIA President. She expressed her heartfelt thanks to all members who have volunteered for various duties, tasks, and assignments. Because of all working together, we are in good hands now and will be in good hands in the future. Nominees for the upcoming election (08/20/18) are: Mary Ellen Sheridan, President; Marilyn Kelemen, Vice President; Barb Huey, Secretary. Treasurer Sue Klaas is in the middle of her second term. Motion required to give power to deposit funds, endorse checks, and authorize transfer of funds at Citizens National Bank and the PayPal account to the incoming DLIA President and to the existing Treasurer, after the election. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Linda Alexander extended her thanks on behalf of the Association for Holly’s leadership these past four years. All present gave Holly a round of applause. Motion made by Bill Hartwig, seconded by John Perkins. Motion passed. Joan Hartwig gave Barb Huey the State of Michigan 2018 L.A.R.A. Nonprofit Corporation Annual | |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walleye release • Aquatic Vegetation Survey • 50 Year Book | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holly reported that 21,690 2 inch walleye fingerlings were released into Douglas Lake on 06/27/18 by the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians (LTBB). The Michigan DNR was notified of the planned release in February, but the DLIA was not notified prior to the release. LTBB does not need clearance for this activity. • In 1976, UMBS indicated walleye do not propagate in Douglas Lake. • Survey, which should be done every 5 years, was did not happen this year, because of transition of new TOMWC Monitoring and Research Director. • In discussions with Karie Slavik (UMBS) and David Edwards (TOMWC), it was agreed that a contract would be put together by late Summer or early Fall for 2019. • Mary Ellen Sheridan and Pete Klaas will be involved with new contract discussions. • 2012 Survey is online. • Pete Klaas looks for invasive species. • Sam Gaither and Adam Schubel (UMBS) do water quality monitoring. Sharon Fortner will assist in 2019. • Key Design received the book for page-layout on 07/03/18. • Proof pages are now being received. Holly showed various proofs. • M. E. Sheridan will also be involved in final production. | <p>Report, due 10/01/18 for completion after the election 08/20/18, along with the \$20 fee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dave Thompson and Holly have requested specific information of the LTBB re: this release and future activity. • Future meeting will be scheduled with participants from LTBB, MDNR, UMBS, and DLIA. • Full cost of 2012 survey was \$8100. • UMBS to possibly share 1/3 costs as in 2012. • DLIA paid \$5608 in 2013 for equipment and survey. • Cost of contract will be available when contract is signed. • DLIA volunteer help will reduce the cost. • Motion made by Mary Ellen Sheridan, seconded by Bill Foster to reallocate the unexpended funds originally approved for a DL Vegetation Survey to cover costs of printing of the 50th DLIA | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report to the DLIA membership after D. Thompson receives LTBB response. |
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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Book will not be available for the 2018 Annual Meeting. • Initial estimate is \$4200. | <p>Anniversary Book up to a limit of \$5,000. Costs exceeding \$5,000 will require Executive Board approval. Motion passed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Book will be given to all current members, future new members, and copies will be sold (price TBD) to others who may want it, e.g., guests, visitors, realtors, etc. | |
| Membership Report – Holly Gedert for Gwen Kuehn | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membership as of 07/31/18 – 357 | | |
| DLIA’s UMBS Scholarship – Holly Gedert for K. Slavik | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board approved motion (via email vote) 05/17/18 specifies: “...DLIA to provide a \$2,500 scholarship to a UMBS student. The UMBS Associate Director will select the applicant based on our desire to help fund a local student, and when a local student has not applied, the Associate Director will select another applicant in need, and will notify DLIA of selected recipient.” | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion made by Mary Ellen Sheridan, seconded by Gail Beaver to amend the 05/17/18 motion to, “...and when a local student has not applied, the Associate Director will select another applicant in need, who is a resident of the State of Michigan, and will notify DLIA of selected recipient.” Motion passed. • Adam Kamps from Grand Rapids, MI is the 2018 scholarship recipient. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remind Karie Slavik in the Spring of annual scholarship availability. |
| Little Traverse Conservancy news – Mark Paddock | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Private property near Bessey Creek, with 150 ft. shoreline is for sale @ \$195,000. • Private property near pike marsh was appraised for \$27,000; owner is arranging his own appraisal. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LTC is interested, but not at that price, so are waiting to see if property will sell. • DEQ has not been asked if property is in flood plain. • LTC interested, with possible funding assistance from individual Douglas Lake residents. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mark to continue discussion with LTC re: purchase plans of both properties. |
| Committee Reports | | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Relations – Bill Hartwig | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bill regularly attends the Cheboygan County Road Commission and Munro Township meetings, both organizations have a direct financial impact (gravel/brining; weeds cut) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CCRC is requesting a millage renewal for roads on 08/07/18. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DLIA e-News will provide another posting before the vote. |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shoreline Stewardship – Sharon Fortner • Fishing – Dave Thompson • Directory Ads/Print – Holly Gedert • Merchandise – Holly Gedert • Budget – Sue Klaas | <p>on roads within the Douglas Lake community.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sharon attended a training program offered by Michigan Shoreland Stewards (mishorelandstewards.org). The organization provides recognition for lakefront property owners who are protecting inland lakes through best management practices on their property. • Organization handout was distributed. • See Walleye Release under President’s report. • Mailed ad campaign; currently have \$4,080. • Will be conducting telephone and personal visit follow-ups. • Current sales - \$11,606 • Cost of new merchandise - \$9,944 • Inventory - \$10,766 • 2018 Goal - \$8,000 in inventory • Hopeful profit - \$3,000 • Sue presented the 2019 Proposed Budget report, and explained this is a “deficit” budget due to the directory expenditures one year, and directory income the next. • \$800 addition to Education reflects possible lodging expenses for conferees. • \$850 under Other-2 loon platforms reflects purchase of additional camera. • Local bank CDs would be used primarily to cover “environmental disasters.” | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The MI Shoreland Stewards Survey is available, and asks questions related to management practices in each of the four zones of your shoreland property: <i>Upland, Buffer, Shoreline and Lake</i>. It should take approximately 30 minutes. • Remove \$1,200 from Events-celebrations (picnic). • Sue recommended the modified 2019 budget. Betsy Naumer made a motion to accept Sue’s recommendation; Frank Beaver seconded. Motion passed. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Survey link will be made available through e-News. • If someone does a service for you that you feel is good, please ask them to place an ad. Call Holly or email her at info@douglaslake.org. |
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| Unfinished Business | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Township park at north end of North Fishtail bay – UMBS has been called re: park infractions (camping). | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Difficult for Munro Township to provide enforcement. | |
| New Business | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PDF file of the Executive Board, Standing Committee Chairs, and Committee Members placed on-line so it can be accessed at any time. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • List Executive Board and Annual meeting dates on DLIA website, and in e-News. | |
| Annual Meeting, Monday, August 20, 2018 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registration, 6:30 p.m.; Meeting, 7:00 p.m. • Main speaker – Kevin Donner, LTBB of Odawa Indians, Natural Resources Department, Great Lakes Fisheries Program Manager. • Maple River Dam Removal Update – Dr. Paul Moore, Professor, Biology Department, Bowling Green State University. • Cookies – Betsy Naumer Several people volunteered to provide cookies. | | |
| Adjournment – 5:01 p.m. | Motion made by John Kurkjian; seconded by Jan Huntley to adjourn. | Motion passed. | |
| Minutes Submitted by: Joan Hartwig | | | |