

THE DOUGLAS LAKE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

AGENDA AND NOTES

Present: Mary Ellen Sheridan (President), Barb Huey (Secretary); Directors – Bill Foster, Frank Beaver, Linda Orlow; Past President – Holly Gedert; Zone Reps – Jan Huntley, Jayne Morse, John Perkins, Betty Cassidy, Suzanne Witthoff, Gail Beaver, Joan Caldwell, Betsy Naumer; Standing Committee Chairs - Bill Hartwig, Gwen Kuehn, Joan Hartwig, Stuart Case; Gail Gruenwald – Guest, Tip of Mitt Watershed Council (TOMWC)

Date: August 8, 2019 *Time:* 3:00 – 5:30 pm *Location:* Pellston Regional Airport, 2nd Floor Conference Room

Agenda Item	Discussion	Decisions/Findings	Next Steps
Call the Meeting to Order by the President – Mary Ellen Sheridan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary Ellen called the meeting to order at 3:03 pm. • The DLIA Purpose was reviewed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One third of Executive Board constitutes a quorum; quorum noted. 	
Minutes of the Previous Meeting/Attendance – Barb Huey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion by Bill Foster, seconded by Gail Beaver to approve minutes of 7/15/19. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion passed. 	
Treasurers Report – ME Sheridan for Sue Klaas and Scott Davis (see attached)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial Report through July 2019 was presented. • Corrections to Actual YTD noted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Merchandise Income \$9757.20 ○ Sales Tax Reserved \$585.43 ○ Directory Ad Sales \$2874.48 • ME Sheridan noted that merchandise sales are going well in part because of the new styles & designs. • Proposed 2020 Budget reviewed. • Motion by Frank Beaver, second by John Perkins to accept Financial Report with noted corrections for 2019 and Proposed 2020 budget as is. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial Report for July and Proposed Budget approved. 	

<p>Pros/Cons of 501©3 IRS Status - Gail Gruenwald, TOMWC</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organizations that have 501(c)3 status must be educational, scientific, or charitable. The government supports this because they don't have the resources to do all the work. • One third of revenue of 501(c)3 organizations must come from public support such as government money and dues. Merchandise sales revenue would not qualify. • Gail stressed that we should take time to really consider how/if obtaining this status would really benefit DLIA based on the function of DLIA. <p>Some pros & cons that were discussed:</p> <p>Pros</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legitimate tax-exempt status • Donations made to DLIA would be tax deductible. Can be incentive to donate. • Grants can be obtained directly. Currently we are non-profit and can partner with organizations such as TOMWC to apply for grants. <p>Cons</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There will be more paperwork for State & IRS than we currently have. Consider the time and resources it will take to complete them. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ License to Solicit Donations for every 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EB will discuss more in 2020. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EB will discuss more in 2020.
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	<p>state that you might get donations from would be necessary.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We may need to change our accounting system in order to meet IRS requirements. • Gail also commented on proposed changes to our Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation that can offer EB Directors and Officers liability insurance through the State of Michigan. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ME Sheridan received specific wording that could be added at a later date. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be discussed at future meeting.
<p>Annual Meeting Draft Agenda – ME Sheridan</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Agenda was reviewed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most of the Committee Reports will go out to members in future eNews. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zone Reps to try to obtain and bring proxies for Bylaws & Articles vote for those who will not be in attendance.
<p>Unfinished Business – Update on Boat Speed & Noise concerns - ME Sheridan</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concerns have been brought to ME Sheridan from members regarding the new property owner with the race boat clearing their shoreline of trees and possibly putting in a boat ramp. • Munro Twp. Supervisor was contacted. Supervisor went to property & has filed report for investigation to happen. Investigator has been out twice but is unclear which property to look at. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ME Sheridan to continue to get updates. 	
<p>Aquatic Plant Survey</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Due to delays at TOMWC in July, the aquatic survey will begin next week. Hopefully volunteers will be available. If not, TOMWC employees will help. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is data collection only right now. Reports will be written over winter. 	

<p>Committee Reports Community Relations – Bill Hartwig</p> <p>Little Traverse Conservancy – ME Sheridan for Mark Paddock</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bill checked with Emmet County regarding deteriorating shape of Van Rd. • Mark has decided to step down from this committee. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emmet County has no plans to work on Van Rd. east of 31 this year. 	
<p>New Business Hatchery tour – ME Sheridan</p> <p>Decorations from Luau – John Perkins</p> <p>Boats driving too close to shore</p> <p>Swimmer’s Itch – Gail Beaver</p> <p>Adjournment - 5:12 pm</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MES noted that there are a couple of spaces open for the Hatchery Tour Tues., Aug. 20. • John has been storing 5 bins of decorations from Luau for a few years that he would like to get rid of. • It has been requested that a future eNews reminds boaters about regulations regarding distance boaters must stay from shore, docks, swimming areas, etc. • One of memberships in Gail’s Zone is requesting information on Swimmer’s Itch. • Motion made by John Perkins, seconded by Bill Foster. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ME Sheridan will write reminder in eNews. • Gail will refer members to DLIA Newsletters on line, specifically to an article that Ron Witthoff submitted. • Motion passed. 	<p>Next meeting Annual Meeting Mon., Aug. 19, 7:00 pm</p>
<p>Minutes Submitted by: Barb Huey</p>			