

**White Birch Lakes
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
June 10, 2023
(Meeting conducted at the Clubhouse)**

I. Call to Order:

President Boos called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

Board Members Present: President Boos; Directors Blaisdell, Brandle, Baker, Bryant, Ostrowski and Dombrowski also, Secretary/Treasurer Lisa Trojanowski and Manager Michelle Waters

Board Members Attending by Teleconference/GoToMeeting: None

Board Members/Others Absent:

Note: There were approximately 0 on GoToMeeting and approximately 14 Members in Attendance at the Clubhouse. The Go To Meeting was not working properly due to internet issues.

The Invocation was given by President Boos.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present and listening.

II. Additions to the Agenda:

A. Strike Ratify Email Motion to Motion for Gravel.

III. Approval of Minutes:

(1) Director Brandle moves to approve the minutes from the May Board Meeting, 2nd by Director Ostrowski. All Ayes, motion carried.

IV. Secretary/Treasurer's Report: Lisa Trojanowski reported the following,

(2) Director Baker moves to approve the financial reports for May as presented, subject to the Auditor's approval, 2nd by Director Bryant. All Ayes, motion carried.

(3) Director Ostrowski moves to approve the June Payables as presented, 2nd by Director Blaisdell. All Ayes, motion carried.

V. President's Report: President Boos reported the following,

“Smokey the Bear now greets us with the burning conditions. Please note when there is a Burn Ban posted White Birch policy prohibits campfires.

The Memorial Day Bash was a great success. Food and fellowship were enjoyed by many.

The proposed changes to the C&Rs are being reviewed by the attorney, when complete all members may review and give input before a membership vote is taken.”

VI. Manager's Report: Michelle Waters reported the following,

It is time to order an allotment of gravel for road repairs and improvements– this is in the budget – the lowest price for per ton was given by Fischer Transportation at \$16.61. the cost with tax for \$100T will be \$1760.66.

Harsh Excavating \$32/Ton Bouchey & Sons \$20/Ton

I would like to thank our staff for all the hard work put in to get ready for Memorial Day weekend!

The clubhouse had over 200 members use the pool on Saturday of that weekend and 187 on Sunday! With this increased traffic the toilets tend to get stopped up and overflow much more than anyone would like! They are older toilets that take a few minutes to fill back up. A great reason to upgrade our Toilets to the flush assist Flushmate toilets like we have in the campground. I have provided you costs in your

packets. We can purchase 5 of these toilets for \$2048.68 that will help keep our facility cleaner and our members and employees less frustrated.

(4) Director Brandle moves to approve the purchase of Flushmate toilets in the Clubhouse for the amount of \$2048.68 to come out of Capital Improvement, 2nd Director Baker. All Ayes, motion carried.

I have spoken to 3 electricians about the lights at the entrance. SLS Electric has given us the best bid at \$2575.00 which includes them doing the trench work. They can start work in 2 weeks. I ask the board to make the motion to accept this quote. The sealcoat company and power wash company are ready to start on the entrance as soon as the electrical is done.

(5) Director Blaisdell moves to approve \$2,575.00 to trench and rewire the lighting and add LED lights at the front entrance lamp post, 2nd Director Ostrowski. All Ayes, motion carried.

I have quotes for the tennis court power washing to prepare for the sealcoating and restriping of the courts. \$800.00 is the least expensive,

Stanley Painting & Power washing.

Titan Power washing \$1300 Michigan power washing \$1217.23

(6) Director Dombrowski moves to approve Stanley Painting & Power washing to power washing for tennis courts for \$800, 2nd Director Blaisdell. All Ayes, motion carried.

Dates to remember:

PLM lake treatment tentative date: 6/19 for a weed and algae treatment

The next brine will be 6/20.

VI. Committee Reports:

Activities Committee: Marney Frank reported the following,

June Activities Meeting

May 14th Mother's Day Breakfast - There was about 100 that attended. This is the last year Fred will help with it.

May 27th Memorial Day Bash about 143 people ate.

Jun 17th Bingo at Clubhouse 1PM to 3 PM John will call bingo as usual and we will pick up candy and chips

Jun 18th Father's Day Breakfast by WB Red Hats

Biscuits and Sausage gravy, 4 cheesy hashbrown egg sausage casseroles (1 without meat), muffins, cereal, juice and coffee

\$ comes out of my budget

Georgia is making biscuits and gravy.

Sue (2 casseroles), Kathleen and Kim (from Red Hats) to make 3 cheesy hashbrown egg sausage casseroles. Will buy ingredients for casseroles and get to them. Most likely on Thursday this week with recipe to make it. Only thing they would have to provide would be 2 cups of milk per casserole. I will measure out salt, pepper, garlic and onion powder and put in a Ziploc bag to use per casserole. Each person will get 2 lbs. breakfast sausage (except one making the nonmeat one), 1 bag of frozen shredded hash browns, package of shredded cheese at least 2 cups worth and a dozen eggs. Plus, recipe to each make a 9 x 13 dish. Can be prepared night before and refrigerated. Baked the next morning. Also, I am buying a gallon of milk for it. Georgia will be turning in receipts for what she buys for it to Lisa.

Because of my body starting to shut down on me at the Memorial Day Bash, I will need to supervise and organize more and do less physically. I will still help, shopping for activities, serve or ?? that needs to be done, but when I start to get worn out, I will have to go and sit down. This is a trial-and-error approach. Unfortunately, in all the classes and everything I have had to take for my disease, never once did anyone tell me this could happen. I just thought I would get a little more tired than usual. Surprise ... and quite an awakening that day. So, I will not be pushing myself so much. Most likely making 2 trips to get things at the clubhouse (ice, racks, sterno, tablecloths etc. plus a trip to the dollar store and then starting to set things up at the campground at 11 am and then helping serve was more than my body could handle. If at any point I was short or raised my voice, or did or said anything to offend anyone, I sincerely apologize for it. I wasn't myself. At one point I felt like I wanted to cry & yell all at once after I got shaky. My mind and heart said yes you can, and my body said no, no, no. As you all know my body won.

So I will arrange to have the tables, coolers and the large ice tray in the bathhouse closet like they were on Memorial Day for the 4th of July Fest... I will have to arrange to have Bob Pelfrey open it and come back later so we don't have to haul all that from the clubhouse or back to the clubhouse following it.

Jul 1 ... 4th of July Fest...meal/potluck 1:30p.m. at campground pavilion (after side-by-side parade that is going to be at 11 a.m. Dawn Holzer is handling all of this.)

Hot dogs, Pork n beans, chips, water, dish to pass or dessert.

Sloppy Joes, Coney dogs too? Sloppy Joes just need to doctor up the last container in the freezer at the clubhouse. Be good to use it up. I can do that. Coney dogs just heat hot dogs in Hormel chili no beans or have chili separate? How many dogs if we do coney ones?

We don't have to have \$ for our permit taken out of our budget – grill hot dogs (would have to have charcoal or a gas grill there to cook on there?) Or just boil or grill at home and bring like we normally do?

Tables – wash down? I don't think there are enough tablecloths for the tables? I can always buy ones at the dollar store. Just need a count of how many tables there. Easier set up & clean up.

Baked Beans by Debbie McDonald. She is going to double it.

3 cases of water

Small plates for dessert?

Silverware – there is a count of how many that are packaged with napkin, and silverware so will know number of how many people.

2 lines again like we did last time? At least when we start serving.

Cheese? For hot dogs besides Mustard, ketchup and relish and Onions.

Needed from clubhouse – 3 folding tables, card table, wire racks, sterno, foil pans to go inside racks for water to keep beans warm. Roaster to put hot dogs in or just use our own crock pot? Coolers for water, Ice (got 10 first last time, needed another 10 maybe 18 this time or?). Salt and Pepper shakers, Ice tray for cold salads that we used last time.

I can pick up wire racks, sterno, foil pans, salt and pepper on Thursday to have for Saturday so I don't have as much to do that day. Will need someone to pick up the bags of ice I will have on hold for that day on Saturday plus a case of water that I will have in the frig at the clubhouse to get cold. Anyone want to get ice and water from clubhouse?

Set up at 11:30? at campground. Do tables with tablecloths and clips (still need to find ones Kim bought at clubhouse), set up folding tables and card table for serving lines, fill coolers with water and ice – put cold water on top from frig at clubhouse. Put ice in ice tray for salads.

Open cases of chips and set out.

New sign-up sheets for committees after election. New committees start in August.

Do we want to sign back up and continue? Would you rather wait until after the 4th Fest meal to see how much I can handle? If so, who wants to continue? Are you good with me being chair or prefer someone else? If I am lucky enough to get a kidney (never know when it might happen) I won't be able to do anything for about 8 weeks or so. Then after that it will be many trips to U of M to make sure I am not rejecting it and to adjust my meds. They haven't filled me in on much info for this part.

August 26 Fishing Contest Fred originally was going to handle that but said he won't now. I hardly know anything about fishing. From my understanding, there used to be a few different age brackets for the competition. Fred said he used to go to Walmart and just pick up fishing stuff for each age bracket for prizes.

It has always been at White Birch Lake. How long do we want to give them to catch fish before we give out prizes? Just does a drawing for prizes or give prize for biggest fish and another for most caught per child? Are there restrictions on what is allowed to be kept and what needs to be thrown back if too small? From my understanding no fishing licenses are required. They just go down to the lake and fish.

Sept 2, Scavenger Hunt 10 a.m. at campground

Char I heard will be back the end of August. If we continue, are we going, **Are we still having this?**

Shiver Me Timbers

10:15 to 10:30 a.m. to explain and answer questions.

We will need clues make up.

Clues will be in any order to find. Not everyone having to go to same spot, less rushing to get to point b from point a etc. Chloe had a good idea about having a letter at each stop that spells out a word after all answers to clues are found (Scalawags). Wouldn't need anything for them to pick up at each place -- just a sheet a paper with clues and a place to write letters and then unscramble letters to form the word (Scalawags). Need places they have to go to.

- 1) Bus Stop 2) Emergency Exit 3) Tennis Courts 4) Holiday Beach 5) Timber Beach 6) Campground 7) Nature Trail? 8) Putt Putt
- 9) Clubhouse planter boat?

I can make the letters and laminate them. It would just be a matter of hanging them at each spot.

Do we need to make maps for clues? I say no. They need to solve the clue to find the location and get the letter at each spot to form the word they need to unscramble.

I can type the clue list and have it printed at the clubhouse to hand out. Would need to provide pencils to write their letters on the clue sheet and the answer to the scrambled word.

Drawing for people who finish hunt right before lunch at 1p.m.

Basically, that morning, we would just need to hang the letters. Pass out clue sheets and explain how it works.

Lunch

Walking Tacos, Water, Lemonade, cookies and a dish to pass (optional?)

Between Memorial Day and the 4th of July Meal, we should have a better idea how many come to the summer events. We can plan this better after the 4th of July activity if we continue.

Walking Tacos – small size bag like what we give out at bingo?

Is there a size a bit bigger than bingo size but smaller than the walking taco bags we used at Char's house?

Walking taco chips – case of 18 \$32.49 from Gordons case of 14 approx. \$32 (7 cases \$224)

50 pack of Fritos at Sam's \$18.98. I think we would need 5 cases? \$94.90 Which would be 250 bags since we had 143 people for Memorial

Day Bash. Some may want more than one since bags are small or just to eat the chips. 6 cases? Leftovers can be used for bingo. Need taco cheese, taco seasoning, tomatoes, sour cream? Meat (just beef or chicken too?) Onions? Taco sauce, Salsa, Black Olives, shredded lettuce, tomatoes diced, Lemonade mix, (something to put Lemonade in), water, cookies variety pack and famous Amos choc chip, plates, silverware, napkins.

C& R & Policy Committee: Marie Sherry reported the following,

“I just wanted to ask the board to start thinking about what kind of educational/information activities we should do, and I have some ideas. I don’t know if you want me to send them to you in an email. I have to pull my committee together and run that by them too. Just so that once we do get it back from the attorney, we are ready to go. So that is kind of what I am going to start doing with the committee to make sure that we are ready.”

Election Committee: Teresa Stephens reported the following,

“I just want to ask the Board to approve 2 more members to the committee because we 1 member step away because of a potential conflict of interest because her spouse is running for a board position. I would like Judy Whidden and Marlana Slone added to the committee. We have a meeting coming up on the 16th at 11:30 to send out the ballots and we need the help both then the 30th and the election.”

(7) Director Brandle moves to add two members Judy Whidden and Marlana Slone to the Election Committee, 2nd Director Dombrowski. All Ayes, motion carried.

Campground Committee: Deb McDonald reported the following,

“We drove through the campground to double check on rings and picnic tables. I am sorry to say we have a lot of picnic tables missing. There are also rings missing. One of the tables that I did see down there was from the pavilion it is light brown with a dedication sticker on it. It doesn’t belong there. I want to make it clear that no one moves those tables that are in the pavilion. They are there for a reason, they were paid for by people to be there. We have a couple posts that need to be replaced. The plaques are being numbered as we speak. Everything should be done by the end of the month. I am sad that the playground fence has not been put up yet and feel it is a hazard to the children. A lot of the campers have been moved out so when Jess and her team can get back there and clean up it is a mess, because we did not get a chance to get back there at all last year because the 2 weeks, we were supposed to it rained the whole time. It is coming along; I have good helpers that are not even on my committee that just help. I appreciate them a lot.” Director Dombrowski suggested that maybe we look into a sign to be put up in the pavilion stating that these picnic tables are to remain in the pavilion. The tables are marked and are different colors at this time ensure identification.

EPC & Conservation / Grounds Committee: Bill Frank reported the following,

“We had 8 tree removals, a request for a garage, new driveway and a new porch, and 1 garden enclosure.

Safety Committee: Bob Pelfery reported the following,

No Report at this time.

Technology Committee:

No Report at this time. Michelle added that the Starlink will be mounted to the roof and that we are waiting for parts at this time. Once the parts come in our maintenance will install it.

Due to the volume of members in attendance President Boos requested comments to be kept to one minute and that they step to the front and state their name and Lot# so Lisa could record it.

VII. Comments from the Floor:

1. Marty Perkins, Lot# 1095-1096, “It has been rumored that the Association is looking into having the Sheriff patrol White Birch again. This has been a number of times that this has been brought up, at the annual election. I even made the motion myself. But, through the years, we keep having this same motion the same situation every year. Why don’t we put this on the ballot and get it over with? Why are we going to let you seven make that decision when you have heard from so many people from the association through the years about their position on the Sheriffs patrol. So, let’s put it on the ballot and that way we have do issues they would just have to accept it.”

President Boos clarified that this subject was not on the agenda today to request patrol it was to get rapport back and forth with the Sheriffs Department to see what their suggestions are on this subject. There is no vote today and this and would absolutely be presented to the Membership to see what everyone wanted before anything was pursued. This was a misunderstanding and not what this agenda item was for.

Director Ostrowski requested to have the floor and stated that he was driving to work the other day and came across a quote. There is a bank that is running an ad and it starts our A community is not just a place with a lot of people and then they go on. Well, that kind of stuck with me. Well, that is fine to say, but what do we think a community is? If you indulge me, these are my thoughts. A community is where people of different backgrounds come together with mutual regards and respect for each other to make where we live a better place for everyone. I would hope that everybody remembers that as you throw each other under the bus, post on Facebook and everything else. Let's make this better place for everyone. Because that is what we are, we are a community."

Director Dombrowski added "the definition of an association is a group of people banding together. We are neighbors. We share the same community. We need to and we will work this out. Everyone understands that we have to have mutual respect, everyone has an opinion. Somewhere in there is a solution."

2. Julie Crankshaw, Lot# 864, "I have two questions. Is there any thought been given to the fact that we hire a private security firm for our three major holiday weeks? That we have two people, one at the guard shack and one roams the property the entire time, maybe 24 maybe only 16 hours a day. This would allow us to know who comes, who goes it is a bigger threat to the people coming in and out and we have someone that we have given, as a community, more authority to take care of the things we complain about. Whether it be doing 4-wheeling or whatever we deem a problem. Just a question. My other question is, have you ever considered using community service people through the court system to help with the campground and help you with areas that we need help with. Really you are looking for volunteers and their looking to use up their community service time. I know it works; I have done it. Most of the time these people get into is not a big deal and may be a kid that did something wrong and has 20 hours community service. I am just suggesting that we look at different avenues to get stuff done around here that we need and they need to get rid of community service. It takes care the court system and it gives us a lot of opportunity to get a lot of things done without having to use our poor maintenance department."
3. Al Isaac, Lot# 514, "This is also about the engagement with the police department, we used to have a policy here, that we register all ORV's. When they came in, we made sure that they were safe. We made sure they were registered. If you are going to engage the police department, you need to help them to. If they come in here to answer a call and they do not know if the people belong in here or not their hands are tied. There is nothing that they can do. I would suggest, as a board, reinstating the registration of all ORV's and I would like to see a portion of that registration by a simple handheld meter, there start up their ORV and the rev it up and make sure that it complies with the township noise ordinance of 80 decibals which was set by OSHA. So, that is my comment, I think the board should really look into reinstating that policy."
4. Debby Gerish, Lot #372, "Is there anything that is being discussed or considered about the theft in here with the picnic tables and stuff? I am disappointed, not in the association but with the theft that is going on. If it doesn't belong to you, leave it alone. Have we talked about cameras or anything?"
5. Bill Frank, Lot# 227, "Just as an example, yesterday or the day before, 3 young girls on the golf cart. The girl in the back seat was on her knees hanging on, the girl driving was going left and right as if they are trying to shake her off the back. If that had happened, we don't know."
6. Jeff Simons, Lot# 290, "Just a couple of things, #1 I am glad that you are going to let the members weigh in on the decision about the police department the other thing I wanted to bring up was the motion I believe last month about the asphalt up front here, thank you for trying to make some improvements, I appreciate that. But I also think that it is not to late to cancel that, it hasn't been laid down. That money in my feelings could be better spent improving our roads that are currently out there in bad shape. Look at what happened to Laurel Lane and Wolf Lane when we spent some money on new gravel and replaced that gravel. A lot of these other roads, I know we can't do them all in one year. But we could make a budget here or there and keep that going rather than spend all that money in one lump some for just this little small area. We got culverts that need to be put in. We fix the same wash out time and again, instead of putting a culvert in and taking care of it. The equipment down at the playground, has been broken and has not been replaced yet. We have the guard shack when we come in, the siding is all peeling of and needs to be replaced with vinyl or re stained, the window has been cracked for years. There are a lot of things that we can do instead of putting that asphalt in. We chipped in together for playground equipment and I have never seen it, I heard we bought it but have never seen it installed or put up. I mean we haven't heard about that and it has been a few years."
7. Teresa Stephens, Lot# 1323, "I would like to urge, whether it is you guys that decide, maintenance wise when the brining is done or if it is a Board issue. In years passed we brined closer to the holiday weekend. I know that you guys made a unilateral motion to move the start of the camping date up and you brined before that. That is your choice. I don't agree with it but that is your choice. But the majority of the traffic came in Memorial Day weekend and with no rain the roads have been horrible. Most of them. White Birch and Laurel are pretty decent but the rest of them are just a dust pool. So, I might suggest that you do it closer to the holiday, I know that

sometimes you want to have a couple of days for rain to reschedule it but please try to keep it as close to the holiday as you can to accommodate all the extra traffic.”

8. Deb McDonald, Lot# 38, “I just want to say, I have heard the comments twice in the last week, ATV’s rules for the State of Michigan don’t apply in White Birch. They do apply. They apply in here as well as outside. That means little kids should not be driving ATVs without their parent right there with them. But I have heard it twice just this past week, that those rules do not apply in here because we are private roads. That is not true.”
9. Marty Perkins, Lot# 1095-1096, “I want to remind that back in 04 we did a study through Michigan State, I think you remember Steve, on Holiday Lake. The lake was leaking out the far end through the sand. I think it fixed itself, which is how it was fixed. But we may be in that same situation again. Because that lake is just losing way too much water. Another expenditure that could possibly go on instead of maybe a parking lot. That amenity, Holiday Lake, is very very serious.”
10. Theresa Thompson, Lot# 752, “I would just like to respectfully request that you do put on the July ballot when you vote about the whole thing about the cops and have it on the Absentee Ballot also, so you can get everybody’s opinion. Mine is that we don’t need them in here. 99% percent people follow the rules and while I understand ATVs rules apply to everybody, I still think it is a family’s discretion and if people are acting responsibly. I don’t want to get in trouble for not wearing my seatbelt in my side by side, I am not hurting anybody and I am going 25 mph why should I get a ticket. If the cops are in here we are going to get it for all kinds of things. Secondly, I would like to see the C& Rs broken up because I honestly do not believe they will pass with all or nothing.”
11. Marnie Frank, Lot # 227, “I would suggest, years ago they had flags that you would attach to your side by side or 4 – wheeler with your lot number on it and that way if someone is doing something they shouldn’t be at least you know where they belong and can say hey such and such and go talk to the parents or the people. Have you gone back to the flag? I mean it worked.”
12. Bob Pelfery, Lot# 527, “One question, do we have trails in White Birch? No. I am just asking. The roads in here used to be the trails that you would ride. There used to be a blue reflector on the one that you rode on and there used to be a red reflector on the roads that you did not go down. That was always been there since I have been here. So, I am just asking. If there are no trails in White Birch than good, if we have trails in White Birch than let’s say it. But everyone tells me there are no trails in White Birch. It has been that way ever since I have been here. ATVs, I registered mine when I first came in here when I had an ATV. We paid \$5 and we got a little license plate. But I was just kind of wondering. Do we have trails in White Birch or do we not have trails in White Birch? The one down at the campground is not a trail it used to be a toboggan hill. Come on guys either say we got them or we don’t.”
13. Dawn Holzer, Lot# 1101, “On Bobs’ comment, according to our insurance policy there are no trails in the association.”
14. Debby Gerish, Lot# 372, “I would like the asphaltting of the parking lot reevaluated I think that there are other places we could spend the money.”
15. Kevin Dombrowski, Lot# 1209-1210, “I do not want to still Theresa Thompsons thunder, but in regards to safety during the holiday, have we considered seeking volunteers for additional safety patrols? Not necessarily to stop anybody but to be a presence as well as maybe eyes to see what’s going on when we see an unsafely activity going on to talk to their parents. That is just a thought. There was a time when we had extra safety patrol magnetic signs and the thought was people could come in put them on their vehicles as they were out and about. Just as an extra presence not stopping anyone. Just a visual deterrent during a holiday weekend, so people could see that there were multiple different vehicles at different times of the day with a safety patrol sticker on the side of their vehicle. Something to think about. I don’t know what happened to those signs but we did buy extra ones. Seeking volunteers might be a let’s crawl before we walk type of scenario.”
16. Tim Vajcner, Lot# 34, “On the routine police patrol topic, let’s all keep in mind this is a private association. Speaking for myself and I am sure many others we bought in one of the big advantages to us was private property. We want it to remain that way and just concerned that if there is too much public influence where it is not needed.”

A short Break was taken 10:50 a.m.
Return from break 11:00 a.m.

VIII. Unfinished Business:

In regards to Agenda item, “C& R Proposal Update,” The attorney is still working on this and we will update the members for review and input when information becomes available. It was decided that the C&R committee would see what they could be put together something and start

presenting it to the membership as a draft that is still pending legal opinion is completed. Marie Sherry will put a schedule together and let membership know when information will be presented.

IX. New Business:

In regards to the Agenda item, "Motion for Gravel".

(8) Director Brandle moves to purchase 100 tons of gravel from Fisher for no more than \$2000.00. 2nd Director Dombrowski. All Ayes, motion carried.

In regards to Agenda item, "Ratify email motion, Tree Removal at Clubhouse." The tree is being removed so that it does not interfere with the blacktop not to make more parking space, stated President Boos.

(9) Director Ostrowski moves to approve the tree removal in the Clubhouse parking lot for \$600.00, 2nd Director Dombrowski. All Ayes, motion carried.

In regards to Agenda item, "Approval of Election Ballot."

This item was moved to further in the meeting to make a decision on the Sheriff Dept discussion and if any thing will be added to the ballot.

In regards to Agenda item, "Committee Changes/ Reorganization" President Boos presented that he would like to combine the C&R Committee and the Policy Committee since the same people are usually on both, eliminate the Technology Committee since the job has been completed and add a new Volunteer Committee that would include members that would be available only for different projects or activities but do not have the time to make a commitment to a certain committee. These members would be contacted with the opportunity to help when needed. Director Blaisdell discussed trying to find a different way of handling the Activities Committee, not necessarily eliminating them but finding a different way of handling it. In his opinion this committee seems to cause more division and is not in favor of funding this committee. It was suggested that we give more direction to this committee. It was decided that the committee signup will be presented at the Annual Meeting and that if a committee does not have 5 people signed up that it would be looked at to eliminate it. There will be signup for committee at the annual meeting.

(10) Director Bryant moves make the changes on the committees as presented. 2nd Director Baker. All Ayes, motion carried.

In regards to Agenda item, "Meeting with Clare County Sheriff Dept Discussion." Director Ostrowski began by stating that this is not a discussion to invite the Sheriff's Department in at this time. Last year, the board had contacted the police department and they had stated that they would like any requests in writing. Director Ostrowski is requesting a letter be sent to request a sit down to discuss what we can do and what the police are actually allowed to do. This would eliminate any rumors and hearsay. The letter would allow WBL to know exactly what we can and cannot do as well as what the Sheriff's dept will or will not do. This is not inviting them into our community. If, it came to the point that it is even possible to have police patrol inside of WBL it would then have to go to a member's vote. There was discussion on this topic. This is an information gathering meeting only.

(11) Director Bryant moves to approve to send a letter requested a meeting with the Clare County Sheriffs Department for clarification on what is the Sheriff Department is willing to do. 2nd Director Blaisdell. Director Bryant, Director Blaisdell, Director Ostrowski, Director Dombrowski and President Boos Ayes, Director Baker and Director Brandle Nay, motion carried.

(12) Director Baker moves to approve the 23-24 Election Ballot as presented. 2nd Director Blaisdell. All Ayes,

X. Additional Comments from the Floor:

17. Dawn Holzer, Lot # 1101, "I just want to say something about this topic, I have called the police myself when there have been children tearing up the roads. I was told by the police department that you are a private community and I said I understand that. However, you can come in and make a presence, can't you? And they said yes, and they did because they had already gotten other complaints about these children. So, you can call the police and say I know we are private but we want them to make a presence and they will come in."
18. Deb McDonald, Lot # 38, "I like the idea the idea of putting out on the board up front, the we follow Michigan ATV rules and also on the web site and even maybe specifying that children under the age of 16 are not allowed to be driving without their parent present. That might help a lot, because people really do think rules don't count here but they do."

19. Carol Hassberger, Lot# 0852, "Good morning, if you don't know, I am an attorney. I have retried 3 times and I am still practicing. We are a legal entity. A legal association in Michigan and the purposes of our association is as currently set forth Article 1 of the C&Rs, Section B3 state to provide a means for the prorogation and enforcement of all regulations necessary to the governing of the use and enjoyment and public safety of such streets, parks, lakes and recreational association. We are liable for what happens here. We have liability insurance that we pay for. I have represented insurance companies that will deny coverage if there is a situation ongoing that is ignored, a safety issue that is ignored by the Board, that could have been fixed to protect and preserve the safety of the membership or guests. We are extremely liable. It is in our minutes, for years, that we recognize this problem and we have done nothing. We are liable, and so when our insurance company says forget it you have no coverage you have been aware of this and you have done nothing, we will be paying. We will be paying a lot. Now there is an ordinance that says the police can't come in. there is an ordinance number 26 for Lincoln township and that is a noise ordinance. We don't have a quiet time ordinance in here. Things go to hell on the holiday weekends and there is noise coming from everywhere. Ordinance 26, call the Sheriff and say I want you to enforce Ordinance 26, which is to prohibit yelling, shouting, loud noise, vehicles backfiring plainly audible at 50 feet. Do you know how far 50 feet is? Probably to the edge of your property. Tell them you want an enforcement of ordinance 26. That is a civil infraction punishable by a fine. Clare County Sheriff's department are required to initiate that. So, we have a lot of responsibility around here and we can't just say it is up to the parents. We are aware of it."
20. Debbie Gerish, Lot # 372, "Maybe we should not spend the money on paving the driveway and put the money away for potential lawsuits."
21. Bob Pelfery, Lot # 527, "How many times have you been up here and you see that lady driving around on an ATV, with a little baby in the front, one arm around the baby, one arm on there driving as fast as she can down Laurel Lane around Oak Run? You stop them and they say its not my kid what do you want to do about it. So, there you go, we had a guy roll his ATV right over here on Teaberry, I was only going 55 mph and laughed about it. The police were called on him. They asked of he was hurt. NO. They did not come out. These are some of things that you guys don't know that happens in here. You are out here having a party. I understand, I want everyone to have fun. But there are people out here that get rearended. Memorial Day weekend, there was a side by side tipped over. Did you know about that? There are 500 different ways to get inside here, all these trails leading into this place is a potential to get in here."
22. Lisa Cooley, Lot # 419, "We do have a system if there is something going on and it is called calling 911. If they say, are they drunk, well I don't know they are driving erotically. Maybe that is reason. If I hear gunshots fired in here, behind my house, I am not going to go ask the person that called to tell me, I am going to ask that person why didn't you call the police before you called me? Call the police. You know what we don't ask the fire department to hang out here because we might have another house fire. We don't ask the ambulance to hang out here because we might need them. So, guess what we don't need the police to hang out here either. We call them when we need them. Answer their questions, get a description and call the police. That is their job, that is what they are here for. We all bought in to a private community, we knew that is what we bought into. Our problem is not that I want to run the roads drunk, it is that I bought into a private community and I want what I bought into. So, call the police the number is easy, we all learned it. And does it protect us put a sign-up front drive at your own risk and we enforce DNR rules. Does that save us from any issues? So that person that with the small child who said I don't care, call the police and say someone is endangering their child."
23. Kevin Dombrowski, Lot #1209, "I am going to say it again. We need to take ownership of this problem or it is going to get worse. That means every member needs to step up and like Ms. Cooley said we need to make those phone calls. We can't ask someone else to do it for us. I am sorry but all of these incidents that you are talking about, this is the first I am hearing of it. Maybe we need to improve the communication on that."
24. Phil Blaisdell, Lot #225, "I spent many years as a project manager for doing telescopic riser systems for stadiums. The company I worked for manufactured them and we provided guard rails and all kind of different safety mechanisms to keep public that use the system safe. The one thing we couldn't do is if we had a guard rail that was about to fail, we couldn't put a sign up that said guard rail about to fail use at your own risk. It did not protect us in any way, shape or form from any liability and we got sued several times. Not because we put a sign up but maybe we didn't even know that there was a loose guard rail and someone fell from it. So, to think that you can put up a sign and that is going to protect you from liability. If you know you have a problem, a sign is not going to fix it. I'm sorry."

(13) Director Ostrowski moves to adjourn the meeting, 2nd Director Blaisdell, All Ayes, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm

Submitted by,

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