

Lake Mitchell Property Owners Association

Spring Property Owners Meeting Minutes - April 17, 2021

- 1) Meeting was called to order: 11:15AM
- 2) Roll Call: Present: President- Dave Stinger, VP-Jackie Erway, Treasure-Dave Kuyers, Secretary-Ron Moelker.
- 3) Approval of 2020 fall meeting minutes
- 4) Treasury Report given by Dave Kuyers: General Fund- 12/19/2021-\$2,290.42. Revenue 2020 \$6483.45- Expenses 2020-\$4866.58. Balance 12/31/2020-\$3907.29 Present Legal Fund Balance is held confidential at this point.
- 5) Review given on the Lake Mitchell Property Owners Facebook page: The LMPOI page has been very active as well as our web page at lakemitchellpo.com.
- 6) Our Facebook page is now open to any deeded owner on Lake Mitchell after address approval.
- 7) Lake Condition Summary:
 - a. Lake Levels: The water is very low this year which has happened many times in past years. Your LMPOI board met with Mike Solomon, Drain Commissioner, to discuss dam management again this year. Key topics were time of closure, low lake levels, lack of snow and water in the water shed, dam repair and reduction of flow through the 8 inch square hole. Also inaccuracy of reported staff gauge readings.

Mike responded that he thought he was properly managing the dam, repair would be taken care of and he could not do anything about restricting flow through the 8 inch hole without approval from EGLE. We subsequently set up a meeting with EGLE. In addition Mike indicated he has never knowingly recorded an inaccurate staff gauge reading.

There were several comments from attendees concerning lake levels such as,
"Dam is not a dam as long as there is continuous flow" and there are millions of gallons flow through the 8 inch hole!

We will have updates on Facebook and our website.
 - b. Weed Management: Your LMPOI board has done a thorough 3-year observation both physically and electronically to see how effective our weed control program with RLS is. Our study indicates the performance and focus has slipped. We have contacted other experts that are involved

in lake management for advice and appreciate all of your many on-line comments. Comments from the audience included "only treating Milfoil" as well as general overall management in particular property owner's areas. More to come.

- 8) Sewer Review by Dave Kuyers: Your LMPOI has spent numerous hours reviewing the management of the Lake Mitchell Sewer System (LMSA). We have hired the law firm of Carey and Jaskowski to represent our concerns. A draft complaint was issued to the sewer authority. The complaint is on our website and Facebook page.

We greatly appreciate the substantial contribution level the lake owners have provided as well as your continued support. Comments and support from the audience were discussed.

- 9) Board Member Open Position: The Board asked the LMPOI members on the lake to consider joining our board as we are in need of a fifth member. Bob Sayles, former board member, retired from the board and is now doing consulting for us. THANKS BOB!

- 10) Membership Drive: Once again, this year we will be having our membership drive. The LMPOI is involved in many issues for the Lake Mitchell Property Owners. Funding for finances if required are provided through member dues. The annual dues are for the year starting On April 1st and ending on March 31st of the following year. Membership applications at available at the Lake Mitchell Property owners web site <https://lakemitchellpo.com>. Please send your \$50 membership fee to Dave Kuyers, 113 White Sands Ave, Cadillac, Mi 49601 or you can pay by PayPal online through our website.

We will physically canvas property owners on Lake Mitchell for the yearly membership drive and are in need of members that are willing to take an hour in their local area on the lake to hand out membership forms. Volunteers please call Dave Stinger for the forms. 1-231-429-0604.

Board opened the floor for any and all public comment without a time limit. The Board was very pleased with the many attendees at our meeting. Please communicate what you heard to your neighbors. Feel free to contact the Board at any time.

NOTE: There is also a meeting review posted on the lake owners Facebook page.

Meeting adjourned.

Ron Moelker, Secretary