LTPOA Annual Meeting Minutes June 2017

The annual meeting of the Lake Tishomingo Property Owners Association was conducted at the Community House on Saturday, June 17, 2017. Board members present were Steve Blaha, Marilyn Meyer, Shelby Reneski, Mike Steeno and Doug Leeker. The meeting was called to order at 11:31 by President Steve Blaha. President Blaha welcomed the full room of property owners and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Blaha asked the Board members if they read last year’s annual minutes and if they had any additions, corrections or deletions. With nothing new to correct or add, Steve asked for a motion to dispense with reading of the minutes and approve them as printed. Mike made a motion to waive the reading and approve the minutes and it was seconded by Marilyn. MOTION PASSED.

Steve reported that we have two items on the ballot today, two Board positions and a ballot issue of an annual increase of $0.75 per foot.

Steve reported that we have a lot of volunteers within the community. Steve stated that Lake Tishomingo is blessed to have an all-volunteer POA Board, Sewer Board, Improvement Association Board and Anglers Association Board. Along with these boards there are a number of positions, such as the gate maintenance managers Rich and Janet Hirsch, gate card distributor Ken Jost, the sticker database recorder Ron Hacker, , the water testing by Clarue and Martin Holland, the website and newsletter administrator Janet Hirsch, our real estate broker John Dauernheim, the financial database recorder Lynn Goetz, the election commissioner Ann Schatzman and the aluminum can collector Ed Hill.

President Blaha stated that it has been a pleasure to serve with members of the LTPOA Board, Marilyn Meyer, Doug Leeker, Ken Stojeba, Shelby Reneski, Roy Hummel and Mike Steeno. Steve stated that during our involvement we have worked together to resolve issues and make the necessary decisions to keep the lake a solvent entity that it is. Steve said that he knows those decisions may not always be popular, but they have been made with the lake’s best interest in mind. Steve stated that these talented, selfless and community minded people deserve an applause. Steve stated that he would like to thank all of the residents of this fine community for sharing a common goal, of making Lake Tishomingo a better place to live and have fun.

Steve reported that the lake has a few simple rules that we all must abide by. We must all respect the LTPOA bylaws, owner restrictions, building regulations, fishing and water use rules, ATV rules, security sticker rules and the security gate rules.

President Blaha reported that we need to be vigilant in our annual road repair, which we have budgeted to spend $100,000.

Steve reported that we started lowering the lake October 1, 2016 and the siphon was stopped at -74” below normal pool to allow for the 10-foot boat ramp extension, seawall repairs and construction, as well as silt removal in the south side feeder creek.

Steve reported that in February the board approved, purchased and donated a Turbo Draft System to the Goldman Fire Protection District. The system will allow the fire department to draw water from multiple locations around the lake and also at other lake developments in their district.

Steve reported that the sales office received a new chimney cap as well as a fresh coat of paint, thanks in part to Shelia Frauenfelder.

Steve reported that in the fall of 2016 the Anglers Association sprayed the water willow in front of the property owners that requested its removal. If you are interested in having it sprayed, contact Kevin Scheirich or Brian Stevens.

Steve reported that our entry gate entry system has been upgraded, thanks to Janet and Rich Hirsch.

Steve reported that the heavy rains of past years and April and May 2017 caused scouring and erosion at the weir in the spillway and Matt Holloran’s construction company did the repairs.

Steve stated that the Missouri State dam inspectors did their inspection of our dam and said it was in good condition. Thanks to Clarue Holland for arranging and attending the inspection.

President Blaha reported that the silt, which has been accumulating in the east end of the lake will need to be dealt with in the near future. The lake is scheduled to be lowered in the fall of 2020 and this would be the ideal time to deal with the silt. Steve stated that he is installing 3 white NO SKI buoys at the mouth of H cove, just west of the shallow water, where the heaviest silt lies.

Steve stated that Steve Matzker joined the Public WaterSUPPLY District #13 board and now they have a full board.

Steve stated that because we have been finding drug paraphernalia at the beach and boat ramp area, there will be increase security. The increased security will also do shore patrol to keep unwanted fishermen and boats off of our lake.

President Blaha asked that everyone operate their watercraft at a safe and courteous manner. The rules and regulations are available on our website, laketishomingo.com. Steve stated that there is a NO WAKE, idle speed after 7pm until 10am and always for the pontoons. Steve asked that everyone check their running lights on their boats to make sure they are working and keep their docking lights off as you leave the 4th of July fireworks display. There will be white buoys placed in front of the dam to keep boats from getting too close to the trucks containing the fireworks.

LTPOA Board Comments

Marilyn Meyer reported that all of the banking material and the audit are on the front desk in front for anyone to view.

Doug Leeker reported that in the last 3 years, we are probably approaching two million dollars in private investments in the lake. He stated that while the water was lowered this past fall, we had over 60 improvement projects. Doug stated that there is a suggestion box at the back of the room and we would like to hear any ideas.

President Blaha reported that Nick Holloran took 2 pictures of the lake with his drone, one of the silt when the lake was lowered and one at full pool and we will show these to the engineers to determine how much silt will need to be removed.

Julie Johnston reported that the LTIA has $5400 for fireworks and will continue to collect for this year and for next year. The Ice Cream Social will be held on July 2nd at 3:30 and the fireworks will be held at 9:30pm on the 4th.

Property Owners Comments

Rick Hannick, I-1, 43, 44, 45, 46, N-32 and 33, with the new seawall at the dam, asked that if you plan to view the fireworks from his seawall that please be careful with his newly installed sod.

John Dauernheim, N-18 and 19, stated that he has sold 21 out of the 22 LTPOA available lots.

John thanked the Board for their service and especially to Marilyn Meyer for her 12 years of service. John stated that some of the older homeowners are not pleased with the proposed assessment increase due to where the board was to use some of the money, like any private clubs or different organizations.

Jackie Marschuetz, M-5 and 6, asked for the Board to explain what the millennium account is used for. Marilyn Meyer explained that it is used as a saving account for excess cash so that we can earn interest. President Blaha stated that it is a safety net for anything that may come up that is not budgeted. Doug Leeker explained costs involved in the upkeep of the community. There is a need to redo the patio at the Community House because it is the first thing you notice when you enter our community, the cost of the newsletter if mailed out and the cost of maintaining our roads. He stated the cost to remove the silt and there is property upstream, that if we purchased, we could use to help keep silt from entering the lake. Doug stated that it would be nice to cut the culverts along the road more than once a year. The increase of the assessment would help with all of these improvements.

Clarue Holland would like to see the grass cut more often and the trees trimmed more often.

Denny Schaab, H-4, 5, 6 and 7, complimented the Board for having some reserve funds and he stated that it has been 18 years since our last permanent assessment increase.

Ken Marschuetz, M-5 and 6, stated that how the assessments are assessed are not fair to everyone. President Blaha stated that we are bound by the bylaws until 2023 on how we assess the properties. Steve said that many communities use this same process.

Shelia Stoutt, I-70, claimed that the part-time people that come out don’t maintain their ditches and property like the full-time residents. She also stated that she does not like when someone is stuck at the gate trying to get in and someone behind them comes up and opens the gate for them. Shelia stated that we don’t know what kind of person this may be and why they might really be here. President Blaha said to call the police when you have a serious issue, do not call the Board members.

Rebecca Dean, C-32, 33 and 34 stated that she would like to remind everyone of the boat parade and how much fun it is and she would like to see an increase in the competition.

Gail Lents, A-3B, A-4 and 5 asked what time the buoys would be placed in the water in front of the dam on the 4th. President Blaha stated the goal is to have them in the water by 10am that morning.

Voting

President Blaha reported that we have two issues on the ballot. Doug Leeker and Shelby Reneski are running again for another term. The second issue is the increased assessment of $0.75 per front foot.

As a small token in appreciation for all the years of service by Marilyn Meyer, Steve presented her with a certificate of volunteer recognition. Marilyn stated that she joined the Board in 2005. She will still be on the Sewer Board. Marilyn stated that she would like thank everyone that made her job a lot easier and for all the support this past August, during a very difficult time. Steve also presented Marilyn with a bottle of wine.

Steve announced that Shelby Reneski will be taking Marilyn’s position as treasurer, so the board will be looking for someone to take over as secretary. Shelby Reneski and Mike Steeno will have authority to sign checks to pay the bills.

With no other questions or announcements. Doug made a motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Mike. The meeting adjourned at 12:21pm.