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Calendar			
March 11	Sat.	6:30 pm	Trivia Night
March 14	Tues.	7:00 pm	LTPOA Board Meeting
March 18	Sat.	5:30 pm	LTIA Dinner Meeting Corned Beef
April 8	Sat.	5:30 pm	LTIA Dinner Meeting Fish Fry
April 11	Tues.	7:00 pm	LTPOA Board Meeting
April 29	Sat.	9:00 am	Spring Fling Plant Sale and LTIA Open House

LTIA Notes

Join us at our Trivia Night 2023

Please reserve your table for a new trivia game experience. We will be playing in our beautifully remodeled community house. The question categories are specifically selected for Lake T residents’ interests and hobbies and for the novice player. You will be able to see and hear the questions. Please no table decorating.

We are asking for table reservations in advance, by March 7; contact Gail Lents 314-712-3887.

Saturday, March 11th

Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Trivia starts at 7:00 p.m.

\$10 per person, Tables of 6-8 people

And don’t forget Game Night, every Wednesday night at 6:30 pm in the community house. Adults.



LTIA Membership - 2023

Yes, here is my membership to LTIA. This will help to support the Lake Tishomingo Improvement Association projects and maintain the Community House.

Membership includes free classified ads in the *Tishomingo News* and attendance at LTIA dinners.

Please enclose your check for \$40 payable to "LTIA" and send to:

LTIA Treasurer
5698 Lake Tishomingo Rd
Hillsboro MO 63050

NAME _____

ADDRESS/LOT(S) _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

Sewer District News

Janet Hirsch



PWSD#13 board members and volunteers have made many requests to residents to take care of their sewer plumbing. It is very important to prevent the flushing of foreign material down the drain.

We were pleased to see that the LTIA has taken a lighthearted approach to communicating our message. This is a picture of the sign posted in the Community House bathrooms. We strongly urge all residents to post a similar message in their bathrooms – especially when hosting parties.



LAKE TISHOMINGO PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION**LTPOA**

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Gate Directory	Kim Johnston	314-520-5632	gateatlake@gmail.com
Gate/Entry Codes	laketishomingo.com		gate.ltpoa@gmail.com

Allow 7–10 days lead time

LAKE TISHOMINGO IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION**LTIA**

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PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY #13 (Sewer District)**PWSD#13**

President	Marilyn Meyer	636-274-1812	marilynmeyer@charter.net
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Sewer Emergency	Operator Office	636-257-3976	support@waterrm.com
After-hours Emergency	District Liaison	888-970-1382	

To place an ad in this newsletter, send the ad copy to the editor at tishnewsletter@gmail.com. If payment is required, send your check to LTIA Treasurer, 5698 Lake Tishomingo Rd, Hillsboro, MO 63050.

Classified Advertising Rates

LTIA members, non-commercial listing	no charge
Non-LTIA members, each listing	\$5.00

Display Advertising Rates

Business Card	\$10 per issue	\$60 per year
¼ page	\$15 per issue	\$90 per year
½ page	\$25 per issue	\$150 per year
Full page	\$50 per issue	\$300 per year

Website

www.laketishomingo.com

This website is your gateway to all things Lake Tish, including access to this and past newsletters since 2003.

Email

Receive "This Week at Lake Tish" announcements and the electronic version of this newsletter by email. Send your email address to thisweekatlaketish@gmail.com.

Classified Ads**Boat for sale:**

2014 Bass Tracker fishing boat
Model Pro 17.5 TXW
50 HP Mercury. With trailer. Red
\$14500. Contact Joye Kamp. 636 575 8356

Help Wanted:

~Lots H-8, H-9, H-10
~Moving two boat lifts 30 feet down cove to accommodate other boats
~Raking and cleaning yard, spring clean-up, bagging leaves, cleaning out flower beds
20.00 per hour, email maureeng133@gmail.com

Contributions to Newsletter

Email news items, photos, recipes, articles, ads and other items of interest to tishnewsletter@gmail.com.

Next Newsletter Deadline is April 20.

This Is How It All Began

Marilyn Meyer

Recently I spent an afternoon reading the first sewer board minutes from April 18, 2006. Ray Dickhaner, our attorney for the citizens petitioning the circuit court of Jefferson County, reported that the formation of Public Water District #13 had been approved by 61% of the voters at the April 4, 2006 election.

The board members held their first meeting in April and elected officers. Our first president was Larry Kimmel with board members Lou Harting, Rich Hirsch, Henry Brym and me. Ray suggested we contact Brunjes & Associates as our engineer for the project. They recommended a sand filter sewage treatment system with individual STEP* tanks.

There was a community meeting June 20, 2006 with Brunjes. Questions were asked about the system, electrical connections, old septic tanks and cost for home owners.

It was recommended that we have a Resolution calling for an election on the question of whether to issue sewage system revenue bonds. We had a couple of meetings for property owners to prepare information about the election. Brochures were prepared and sent to voters, signs were made and placed near the entrance and we had a phone call campaign. The issue passed Nov.7, 2006 with 60% approval.

The Preliminary Engineering Report was prepared by Brunjes and sent to Donna Martin at USDA-RD. Brunjes had listed possible grants in his report. In our meeting with Donna Martin, she summarized what she thought were possibilities of obtaining a grant. She could not give us a dollar amount without the completion of the Median Household Income Survey. Mary Leiweke was instrumental in the completion of that survey. In April 2007 after it became clear that engineer Brunjes was not up to the task, a new engineering company was chosen for the project, Taylor Engineering. They immediately filed with MO DNR for grant money.



A media event was held Oct. 9, 2007 at the Community House with Donna Martin USDA Rural Development where she presented a mock check for \$2,243,000 to Jefferson County Public Water Supply District #13.

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At the July 2, 2008 meeting of the Missouri Clean Water Commission, the PWSD #13 grant application was placed on the fundable list for fiscal year 2009 with Traci Newberry's (of MO DNR) assistance. We had to sign contracts to begin construction of our sewer system in the next 12 months to guarantee that we received all the funding.

NOW we were ready to go!

USDA loan	\$2,243,000
MoDNR (40% Construction Grant)	\$1,616,000
MoDNR (Rural Sewer Grant, \$1400 x 242)	\$366,800
TOTAL FUNDING:	\$4.23 Million

Construction began in August 2010 and was completed in July 2012. Now, over 10 years later, we can see the results. The lake water quality has been greatly improved and property values have increased. We appreciate your support over the years.

*STEP "Septic Tank Effluent Pumping" utilizes a leak-proof septic tank, which is installed in each homeowner's yard. The discharge from these new septic tanks is pumped through small diameter pipes to the Wastewater Treatment Plant, where it is treated.



Fire Department Training at Lake Tishomingo

Photos by Al Ferrell

Lake Tishomingo was the scene of rescue training for several area fire departments on Saturday, January 28. Residents were invited to observe the in-water portion of the training. Here are some photos, in case you missed it.



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Pictured below with Chief David Brown of Mapaville are Gail Lents, Gail Lippitt, and Rosie Ferrell. Along with Robin McKinnon (not in photo), the LTIA members provided lunch for the trainees.



LTPOA Meeting Minutes

Lake Tishomingo Property Owners Association

LTPOA Minutes December 13, 2022

Board members present: Steve Blaha, Mark Stubits,

Ken Stojeba, Jon Riche, Craig Jung.

4 residents attended.

Steve called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

November meeting was cancelled so no meeting notes to be read.

Treasurer's Report

Jon read the financial report for December 2022.

Cash Inflow for November

2022/2023 assessments \$1,347.96

Interest \$101.07

Total Cash Inflow for November \$1,449.03

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November Bills Paid	
Charter	\$79.99
Ameren	\$113.27
Cincinnati Insurance- Mgmt liability 11/2022-10/2023	\$2,039.00
Mickey K's Portable Toilets- 6 months rental	\$570.00
Zumwalt Corp.- cloud subscription for October	\$75.00
Andy Kittel- rock & equipment rental for parkway	\$1,200.00
Happy Grass- mowing	\$970.00
Cincinnati Insurance- commercial including auto 2022/2023	\$14,125.00
Red Oak Landscaping- mowing the Dam 10/1/2022	\$1,320.00
Ken Stojeba- boat supplies, gas and shed supply	\$171.87
Peter Rola- cancellation fee for the Shad	\$353.00
Total	\$21,017.13
Total Cash Outflow for November	\$21,017.13
Checking Account Balance for November	\$360,570.18
Major Projects Fund 10/31/2022	\$164,393.16
Interest	73.19
Major Projects Fund 11/30/2022	\$164,466.35

Jon asked for motion to approve Treasurer's Report.

Ken made a motion to approve.

Mark seconded.

Motion approved.

December Bills to Pay

Charter \$79.99

Ameren \$129.99

Zumwalt Corp.- cloud subscription for November \$75.00

Wegmann Law Firm- legal \$222.25

Michelle Worth Collector of Revenue- personal prop taxes \$525.52

Michelle Worth Collector of Revenue- Real Estate taxes \$732.29

Ken Stojeba- plow truck parts and gas \$249.57

Total \$2,014.61

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Jon asked for approval to pay December 2022 bills.

Mark made a motion to approve.

Ken seconded.

Motion approved.

Building

- Shea – H08, H09, H10 – Mike applied to move the dock 50ft from the existing dock. This location could potentially cause future issues for the residents at the back of the cove if a larger pontoon boat was moored to the dock. Jon talked to Mike Shea to ask if it would be possible to move the dock 35ft from the existing dock in order to eliminate this concern. Mike Shea indicated he would stake out the new dock location and discuss with the co-owners of the property. He will then let the Board know their decision.
- Holt – C52, C53 – submitted an application to remove the current culvert and put in a larger culvert 20ft X 24inch, then cover with 4-inch-thick rock base of 3 inch plus/minus for a length of 250 feet.

Jon asked for a motion to approve the application contingent upon adding a statement that the first 20 feet will be paved as weather permits.

Jon made a motion to approve.

Mark seconded.

Motion approved.

- Doug Leeker is taking an extended leave from the Building Director role until May 2023. Ken Stojeba is willing to take on these responsibilities (effective immediately) until Doug's return, with one condition: that a second person be added to help manage the additional load if the lake level were to be dropped. This change would necessitate an update to the Building information on the lake website. Jon will contact Janet Hirsch to make the website changes.

Jon asked for a motion to temporarily remove Doug Leeker as the Building Director and appoint Ken Stojeba as Building Director until further notice.

Steve made a motion to approve.

Mark seconded.

Motion approved.

Security

Last Saturday a car went off the road into the Shea's yard (H08-H10) between 12:30 and 1:00am. The car hit a bush and also something underground that ruptured the sewer line which caused sewage to leak out. Rich looked at the gate records to see who entered the lake between 11:30pm and 2:48am. Eleven people came through the gate in this timeframe and when cross referenced against Rich's driveway camera it was determined that the vehicle that ran off the road did not come through the gate. Stacey Dempsey came across a black truck at the accident location around 1:00am and at that the point the truck had its hood up as if stalled. Stacey was not aware of the damage to the property at this time so he talked with the young people involved and then left after they told him they did not need help. He described the vehicle as a single cab black truck with no dome lights on the inside. It is believed that the young people in the truck were attending a party at the creek near the Community House. *continues in next column*

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Mike Willey witnessed this truck at this party earlier in the evening. He also saw this truck racing back and forth on the road. Investigation into this incident is ongoing.

- There was significant damage done to the Community House parking lot by a vehicle turning donuts. Mark and Ken went through the security camera footage and identified the young person responsible. Mark talked to the parents who are going to cover the parking lot repair costs of \$350.
- The review of the parking lot incident also revealed that there are numerous vehicles causing damage by turning donuts in the grass area of the Community House as well.
 - Damage to this area makes mowing difficult and hard on the yard equipment.
 - Proposal to block off two entrances with cable to deter this activity. Mark will work on getting the cable to place across the entrances. He will talk with the Board members before installing the barriers.
 - Propose posting 'No Parking / No Dumping' signs.
 - Need to find a place to manage burning or decomposition of the honeysuckle removal.
 - Determine when to move trailers off the parking lot and into the parking overflow area.
 - Area around Community House is dim.
 - Light on corner of building is always on.
 - Street light at the entrance to the parking lot is dim. Propose to upgrade the entrance light to a higher wattage (250). If needed shades could be added to the higher watt light to reduce overflow lighting that would disturb surrounding resident homes.

Ken made a motion to upgrade two lights to 250 Watts: the street light at the entrance of the Community House parking lot and the corner light on the Community House.

Mark seconded.

Motion approved.

We will review the lighting results after the two upgrades outlined above to see if any further changes are needed.

Gate

Access Code use Nov 2022		
Code assigned to	Monthly Usage	Avg daily
Townsend2, Chris	170	5.7
Marschuetzjr5, Ken	93	3.1
Deroode2, J	92	3.1
Hollaran111221, M	78	2.6
Schenk2, C	55	1.8
Timmersman2, J	45	1.5

Guard Shack News

On Nov. 13, we could not access the gate camera. We also noticed that the light over the bulletin board was not on at night. (The light is dusk-to-dawn & controlled by a photocell.) We talked to Steve Kottemann, who mentioned that he was getting ready to paint the inside of the guard shack (GS) & may have unplugged the gate camera. *continues on next page*

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On Nov 14 we went to the GS to check the gate camera wiring. Inside the GS it was difficult to troubleshoot the wiring because of all the security guard's tools (big flashlight, logbooks, & forms) & toys (small-inflated football, DVR player, DVRs folder, more). We were surprised that this material was not taken from the GS when the guard left in Oct. This material was put into a large box & moved to the Sales Office (SO). The trash left was removed & disposed of.

Turns out that the gate camera's power supply had been unplugged. Plugging it back in restored normal operation.

The problem of no light on the bulletin board was due to three bad T8 fluorescent tubes. These will be replaced. I was surprised that all three were bad, but I guess as long as there was one tube lit, the bulletin board was illuminated. It was only when all tubes went dark that it was recognized that there was a problem.

Maintenance

- Guard Shack – Steve Kottemann has completed interior work. Steve will forward bill to Shelby for payment.
- Plow truck – transmission was leaking fluid. Ken bought the part and coordinated with Mark Stubits and Stacey Dempsey to complete the repair.
- Need to start planning to buy a good used Bobcat Skid Steer. The current machine should make it through this winter but is in very poor condition. Ken is actively looking for a possible replacement.
- Stacey Dempsey performed the repair on the Bobcat transmission and spent at least 6 hours attempting to replace the bucket. Mark asked to pay Stacey \$350 for his labors. Steve asked Mark to send a bill to Shelby to generate the payment.
- Talked about the possibility of repairing the well by the maintenance shed to have access to wash the Bobcat and work truck. We had this well looked at a few years ago and it was determined it would be better to dig a new well rather than repairing the existing well.

LTIA

- Chili Cookoff – Saturday December 10th – Four chili dishes submitted for the cook off. All were spectacular. Desserts were fantastic. Seventeen residents attended. The low attendance possibly due to competition with the Hillsboro Christmas Parade event.
- Community House Rentals – Two more Saturdays in December and Christmas Eve.
 - Totals for Year 2022
 - Club house rentals (28): \$7000
 - Pavilion rentals (3): \$300
 - Donation: \$100
 - Chair rental: \$148
 - Cleaning Fee (1): \$75
 - Total 2022: \$7,623
 - Two contracts for 2023 so far and three verbal commitments.

Finance

No new updates.

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Sewer Board

No new updates.

Newsletter

No new updates.

Dam

No new updates.

Water Testing

No new updates.

Old Business

- Jon sent out notification letters that the first 20 feet of all rock driveways must be paved.
- It was brought to the board's attention that there is a pet pig that is getting loose and roaming the area. It has gone into neighbor's property and had to be sent back to its owner. It is responsibility of the pet owner to always keep animals under control.

New Business

- Lane property case – The case was won by Dana Diaz De Leon and the closing on the property must be complete by December 28th. At closing they will own the property next to their current property. There is a pontoon boat sitting on the property dock that has not been used since 2013. Once the property is closed, this issue will be revisited to determine how to get the boat removed.

Steve asked for a Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Ken made a motion to adjourn.

Mark seconded.

Motion passed.

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LTPOA Minutes January 10, 2023

Not enough board members were available in February to constitute a quorum, so the January minutes have not yet been approved by the Board. The January minutes will be published in the next issue of this newsletter.

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What is it? Any why is it important?

Janet Hirsch



This is an oak seedling -- sprouting from a single acorn. This little white oak, *Quercus alba*, seedling can grow up to support over 400 caterpillar species¹ that will develop into butterflies and moths. Do not mow it down. Instead, you should nurture and encourage its growth in your yard.

Oak trees are ecologically important, and allowing a sprouting oak seedling to develop into a mature oak tree is essential for maintaining the health of local ecosystems. Oak trees provide habitat for a wide range of organisms, including birds, insects, and mammals, and they are important sources of food and shelter for many species. Nationwide over 952 species of caterpillar² eat oaks. The oak genus, *Quercus*, supports more wildlife than any other plant genus.

Oaks provide habitat for insects, which in turn support larger wildlife such as birds and small mammals. Many bird species rely on oak trees for nesting sites, and the acorns produced by oaks are a critical food source for deer, squirrels, and other wildlife.

Mature oak trees have a significant impact on the health and stability of the surrounding ecosystem. Oak trees have deep root systems that help prevent soil erosion, and they also absorb large amounts of carbon dioxide from the atmosphere. This carbon sequestration plays a critical role in mitigating the effects of climate change, as it helps to reduce the amount of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere.

Mature oak trees also support other plant species. Oaks provide shade and shelter to a variety of understory plants, which in turn contribute to the overall biodiversity of the ecosystem. Additionally, oak leaves and acorns provide a natural source of fertilizer that supports the growth of other plant species.

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Summary. Allowing a sprouting oak seedling to develop into a mature oak tree is critical for maintaining the health and biodiversity of local ecosystems. Mature oak trees provide habitat for a wide range of wildlife, support the health and stability of the surrounding ecosystem, and help to mitigate the effects of climate change. By protecting and promoting the growth of mature oak trees, we can ensure that these important ecological benefits are preserved for future generations.

For more information about the value of oak trees see *The Nature of Oaks: The Rich Ecology of Our Most Essential Native Trees* by Douglas W. Tallamy. 2021, Timber Press.

¹“Keystone Native Plants” *Garden for Wildlife* by National Wildlife Federation.

²“A conversation with: Doug Tallamy” entomologist University of Delaware, *Fine Gardening*, No 208, December 2022.

A real estate advertisement for Linda Schaab Marc, Realtor. The ad features a blue background with a photo of Linda Schaab Marc on the left. On the right, the text reads: "RE/MAX ONE Linda Schaab Marc REALTOR® Call or Text 314-341-8920 Office: 636-333-9191 2422 Taylor Road Wildwood, MO 63040 lindamarc@stl1homes.com www.stl1homes.com Each Office Independently Owned and Operated". Below the photo, the text reads: "Linda Schaab Lake Resident since 1973 314 341 8920 Lindamarc@stl1homes.com Specialities include lake properties".

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Attention, all bird watchers and other nature-lovers!

These photos were taken at our lake by lake residents. Get out there and enjoy the spring!



Cooper's Hawk at Al & Rosie's bird feeder. *Photo by Al Ferrell*

Red-Shouldered Hawk
Photo by DeAnn Sharpless



Bald Eagle
photo by DeAnn Sharpless



The Moon, Jupiter (upper right) and Venus (lower right), Feb. 22, 2023
photo by Al Ferrell



Belted Kingfisher
photo by Rich Hirsch

LTIA Dinner & Meeting

Theme: Corned Beef

March 18, 2023
5:30 - 7:30 pm
(Date changed due to Trivia Night)

Bring a side or dessert to share.

Some drinks are available for purchase or bring your own.

Dinner starts at 5:30 and is followed by our monthly meeting.

The LTIA is a social organization benefitting everyone on the lake.

Info at: <http://www.laketishomingo.com/ltiamem.html>

New members are always welcomed.



Join us at our Spring Fling 2023

When: Saturday, April 29th 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Where: Community house pavilion, beach area and parking lot, this will be held outside and at a social distance so we can maintain health guidelines.

What: To sell or buy plants (annuals and perennials), baked goods, and/or miscellaneous goods (Lake Tishomingo merchandise, garden books, tools, artwork, and hand-made craft items)

Why: Money raised will go to the Lakeside Gardeners for future plantings.

We hope everyone who wants to donate plants for this sale will consider splitting perennial plants from your yard and labeling it with the plant name. We will price the plants for the sale. And we encourage all of our bakers to contribute to this sale. Just make sure you label your bakery item with the item name, price and ingredients for the baked goods. For those who want to sell their own merchandise in a designated area, a \$10 donation to the Lakeside Gardeners would be appreciated. Please [fill out this form](https://forms.gle/ixv8U7jZJCWJ8jii8) (https://forms.gle/ixv8U7jZJCWJ8jii8) if you are interested in selling items so we can coordinate the event space.



Lake Tishominogo



15th Annual **BOAT POKER RUN**

Join us for a fun day on Lake Tishomingo! Travel by boat to different host docks and draw a playing card at each one. The highest and lowest poker hand wins!

Saturday, August 26, 2023



\$10 per hand (unlimited)

50/50

\$50 PER TICKET

**TAKE A CHANCE TO WIN UP TO
\$2,500 CASH!**

Cash or Check. Available for purchase at dinner meetings, June 30, July 21, and Aug. 18 at clubhouse from 5:00 to 7:00. Winner announced at 7:00 pm in Clubhouse on Aug. 26th, need not be present to win.

3:00 pm - Buy Poker Hands at the Clubhouse

3:30 pm - Host Docks Open/Poker Run Starts

7:00 pm - Host Docks Close/Winners

announced at the Clubhouse

**Payout to
the Highest
and Lowest
Hand!**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Shelby Reneski 314.920.5421 or
Janet Quillman at 314.701.5226**