

THE LOON LAKE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, Inc.

FALL MEETING 2022 Minutes

August 27, 2022 at Milestone/Newman/Treat Barn, 7722 Arnold Rd

9:00 AM sign-in, pay dues, socialize -- 9:30 AM Call to Order

Call to Order

Welcome – Rich Nelson, President

Opening prayer – Walt Hessler

Introduction of Board Members

Officers: Richard Nelson President, Patti Thomas Vice President, Carol Kurtz Secretary, Tena Miller Treasurer

Board members: Bob Gallivan, Steve Weaver (absent), Gary Hicks, Clark Milestone, Lindsay Gallmeyer, Brian Clark, Karen Treat, Geoff Velpel (absent)

Introduction of new association members The Miller Joe and Renee

Thank you to Karen, Mark, Clark and Denise for use of their barn for our meetings

Reminder about the LLPOA website: www.loonlakeindiana.org

Heather Klemm spoke briefly concerning her ill Father who has had surgery for stage 4 cancer and ask for all to visit and to encourage him. He is at Parkview Fort Wayne and ask for visitors and prayers.

Approval of Spring Meeting Minutes dated May 21, 2022 – Carol Kurtz

Motion to approve as written by Tom Zahm and second Kelly Clark Unanimously approved

Treasurer's Report – Tena Miller (copy attached to minutes)

Working capital at \$76,266.52, WCCF at \$57,828.22, Vanguard \$57219.15

Pavilion expense \$16428.85 out OF Approved \$25,000

Checking account balance \$26291.90

Savings account for Fireworks as follows

Cans \$1249.40

Poker run \$3212 (a record amount for this event-extremely well fantastic)

Pancake breakfast \$2839

Donations \$2115

Total savings \$9415 for events this year

The Board approved \$5000 to move from the Fireworks Savings account of \$14289.50 to a Fidelity CD earning more interest. It was transferred from the Fidelity Investment account and a check will be written from Savings to reimburse the Fidelity Investment fund.

Camtor was explained as our Fireworks contractor

The 5k fundraising are tagged for General Operations

Old Business / Committee Reports

Loon Lisle Nature Reserve – Jan Barkley, Carol Kurtz, Clark Milestone

Prairie Project-Jan Barkley

Things are changing. Can't say enough about the pavilion. I am involved with the Prairie. The Bird Houses are completed with one set of Bluebirds and one set of Swallows. The trees

purchased are doing great and have been fostered. There are a few trees left for \$125, Arborvitae and Redbud. Working days by volunteers on September 10th and 24th. Working on three areas for flower beds, clearing, tilling, and raking. Surrounding with bricks donated by Mark and Karen. Pea Gravel will be used for covering instead of mulch. Any one can volunteer to help or donate native plants.

Serenity Garden – pavers can still be ordered. There is now a golf cart path leading from pavilion to the patio with the engraved pavers. The trees have pavers that have been engraved for both tree and resident. The golf cart can be taken around the edge to see the trees as well.

Pavilion- Carol – At Spring meeting it was discussed that a year ago Clark and I decided to carry the Prairie improvements and motivation on and start the Pavilion process. At the Spring Meeting The fiscal 2021-year budget was reviewed showing how we could afford building. How are we doing now? Use of today's 2022 financial report a quick calculation was made after dues collected and fundraising events completed all expenses paid (insurance taxes utilities) there is \$12542 in the clear that we will bank. Dues are only \$4800 the rest of that money -we develop FUN and raise some money along the way. Hope we can continue the fundraising. We lost the golf outing but let's start another fundraiser like Pickle Ball. Building this pavilion, we have so many volunteers coming out to build it and provide lunch. It is creating ideas and enthusiasm for even more fundraising such as smoker cook off etc. We must continue watching the "beans" to pay for the maintenance of the pavilion in the future.

Pavilion-Clark-hope you are keeping up on the Facebooks posting of the progress. Thanks to a bunch of senior's "upperclassmen" that have showed up and volunteered. Couldn't do it without. Everyone getting exciting about and feeling ownership. Last spring, we are approved for \$25000 we did not include ceiling and wiring. We are at \$16000 already spent and \$3000 for concrete outstanding. Soffits shingles and cap off headers still do. We are asking for a motion for an additional \$5000 to cover wiring and ceiling in case needed. We are not meeting until next Spring. We don't think we will go over, but we want to get that additional amount approved now for ceiling and electrical and get to the finish line.

Motion to approve an additional \$5000 to come out of the general operational checking account by Deb Baumeister second by Toby Thomas. Unanimously approved.

Discussion after motion. Security lighting and pole no cost to install but monthly charge \$11. Another installation charge to come out and put on the meter and then monthly charge for electricity

Water quality and lake wellbeing –

Walt Hessler- big events fish kill, derecho windstorm, and rain with water level higher than normal. Good news is we made it through. We needed outside resources, and we have nurtured resources with TWF Lyn Creighton, Sara Beale, Scott Zeigler we were able to call on them and tap into them. Thanks to all the volunteer to assist in the fish kill clean up.

We ran bacteria tests the Monday after the fish clean up. We wanted to build a base line and go out last Wednesday pull samples from exact same sites, exact same test. It came back much lower – we now have a base line. The results will be put on our cloud. We do sample every other month and another test every month in terms of lake health. There will be a Snapshot testing day on September 21st. The DNR will do a fish study in the spring to let us know where we are in terms of population.

A question any value in doing bacteria test annually? Will bring it up to Board. And let you know if a value to doing it. Wouldn't hurt...but will discuss with Board.

Any crappie being caught? Don't know of any. Did hear of a 25-inch Walleye that was caught...

Resident: Thanks to the Board and Walt in particular, for the communication and direction during the event. It put residents “at ease” if we don’t have a quality lake, we don’t have anything.

5.5K Run/Walk leadership –

Rich Nelson -2005 first 5K run and over the years the run has become even more important to the Association larger and larger people came out with official time for major runs. Put Loon Lake on the map. Problem was Covid and other reasons that last year we did not have a time event. So coming year we need new leadership to bring the race back to it usual form and take off a positive both financially and reputation. Please speak to Gary Hicks or and Board member if you would like to volunteer

Pickle ball possibilities –

Gary Hicks – lost the golf course and lost this fundraising event which raised \$1000 last year. It has been suggested that we could do a Pickle Ball Tournament. Would like to find out if there is any interest in this event. Would like to keep it as a Loon Lake Family event. Not so much a tournament but a family event. Round robin event -get people together enjoying the day. We have an indoor center in Albion Augusta Hills. We have a sign-up sheet if interested. It is the most welcoming sport always welcoming. Any interest in spending a day learning the sport. Talk to your neighbors we will see if any interest. We will send an email blast out to the entire membership to see if interested.

Pancake breakfast –

Karen Treat-Due to the 5K event attendance being lower this year there were 53 less breakfasts sold – 528 meals this year and therefore less money being raised- \$2839. Thanks to Bob and Gretta for their hosting at their location. Also, thanks to all the donations and volunteers.

Loon Lake apparel – Karen Treat has 2 large t-shirts for sale all my contact information below

Written Committee Reports: (Only critical issues will be discussed during the meeting)

Apparel – Karen Treat

Loon Lake apparel can be purchased by contacting Karen Treat at 260-438-7968 or Lake page (www.loonlakeindiana.org). For colors, contact me. The lettering is black so consider that when picking out colors. We also have Loon Lake sticker for \$3.00. There are other products on the webpage that can be ordered.

Fireworks – Brian Clark

Responses from this year’s fireworks have all been positive. We have the same company under contract for the next 2 years. Dates are as follows: 2023- Saturday 7/1; 2024- Saturday 7/6.

Garage Sale – Lindsay Gallmeyer

The annual LLPOA garage sale was held June 10 and 11. Thank you to Linda Archer for volunteering to organize and advertise the garage sales.

Kids Fishing Derby – JoAnn Butler (C Kurtz)

Sixty-two fisherkids caught 80 pounds of fish. We had 20 volunteers providing help with the registration, prize setup, weighing, hot dog and lemonade refreshments. The Sittlers brought their fish aquarium and gave a presentation on the type of fish. Awards were given out in 5 Age categories per the weight of fish caught. Check our latest newsletter for a list of winners!

Poker Run on the Lake –Kathy Ehinger (Tena Miller)

Thanks to everyone who participated which helped raise over \$3000 toward the fireworks funds. We had seven dealers volunteering to hand out the cards with the participants winning awesome prizes donated as well as the raffle of the baskets and Notre Dame and Colts football tickets. Check the latest newsletters for names of our sponsors and dealers. Abby Green and Kathy Ehinger have volunteered again for next year and are happy to take suggestions and accept volunteers for 2023.

Can Pick-up_- Bob Gallivan / Brian Clark

The last can pick up of the season will be September 10th. . . .

10th Anniversary Lighted Boat Parade_– Carol Kurtz

5k walk/run – Heather Klemm (Gary Hicks)

Loon Lake Yacht Club Sailing Regatta – Mike and Tom Zahm (Gary Hicks)- VERBAL BY TOM

24TH Annual field of 5-winners as follows (in minutes)

Pieter and Maria Swiatowski 32' 40" - first

Randy Post 35' 48" - second

Tom and Gretchen Zahm 43' 50" third

Thanks to my brother Mike and his volunteers for timing the event

Want to make it bigger next year!

Lake Safety – Geoff Vepel

The Lake Safety Committee is sponsoring a CPR/First Aid class to be held September 17th from 9:00 am to 12 noon at Mary Jo Brock's pole barn, 7834 N. Brown Road. The cost is \$45. Please contact Geoff Vepel (317-440-3314) or Steve Burman (317-403-5556) for further information. Sign-up sheet sent around

Fire Hydrants – Terry Huffman (Gary Hicks)

All lake dry hydrants continue to be tested each fall by the Noble Township Fire department. Any repairs are made by LLPOA. The association donates \$500 annually for this service.

New Business

Loon Lake Fish Management

The Loon Lake Fish Management group will be hosting their annual Corn Hole Tournament immediately following this morning's meeting. Also announced is their Fall Muskie Shoot-Out, which will be held October 15 from 8 am to 3 pm. Registration begins at 7:30 am at the Loon Lake public landing. There will be CASH prizes. Food will be available but bring your own drinks. For further details, get in touch with Clark Milestone at 348-5706 or lake46725@gmail.com.

Nominations and election of LLPOA officers for 2022-2023

Slate recommended by the Board as Nominating Committee (Bylaws Article III. Section III E.)

President – Patti Thomas

Vice-President – Conni Walkup

Treasurer – Tena Miller

Secretary – Carol Kurtz

There were no Nominations from the floor
Nominations closed by Claire Hicks second by Brian Clark

Election – by way of acclimation above slate
motion by Renee Mentz and seconded by JoAn Butler
Unanimous approved

Items from the floor – general membership

Carol Kurtz -Thank you to Rich for his service as President the last two years

Carol Kurtz -Thank you to Bob Gallivan for mowing the Reserve lawn since 2016. He has donated the fuel and his time since that time. THANK YOU!

Steve Burman – reported on a horrible boating accident in Michigan which resulted in the death of a child and wanted all to always remember safety. Loon Lake is a wonderful place to live. Take precaution at all time this was a tragedy and doesn't want it to happen here.

Adjourn – motion by Karen Treat and second by Kelly Clark

The Spring Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, May 20, 2022 at 7722 Arnold Road. Sign in 9:00 AM- Call to order 9:30 AM.

Loon Lake Property Owners Association
Fiscal year
2021 - 2022
October 1, 2021 - September 30, 2022

		General Operations			
	Income:				
		Dues			\$ 4,800.00
		Loon Lisle Nature Reserve		/lake enh	\$ 1,735.00
		Pavers/Trees			\$ 1,750.00
		Newsletter advertising			\$ 675.00
		Fishing derby			\$ 375.00
		Apparel			\$ 169.00
		5 K Run & Walk			\$ 2,120.00
		Raffle			\$ 2,405.00
		Sign Rental			\$ 45.00
		pavillion			\$ 545.00
Subtotal					\$ 14,619.00
	Expenses:				
		gift cards			\$ 300.00
		Apparel & Stickers			\$ 103.39
		Newsletter			\$ 258.04
		Taxes			\$ 40.34
		Memorial donations			\$ 125.00
		5 K Run & Walk			\$ 270.00
		TWF			\$ 500.00
		West Bend Insurance			\$ 1,985.25
		PO Box Rental			\$ 62.00
		Security Light			\$ 90.00
		Misc. Expenses			\$ 272.92

		Savings/Fireworks Fund			
	Income:				
		cans			\$ 1,249.40
		Poker Run			\$ 3,212.00
		Donations			\$ 2,115.00
		pancake breakfast			\$ 2,839.00
Subtotal					\$ 9,415.40

	Expenses:				
		Camtor			\$ 5,350.00
Subtotal					\$ 5,350.00
					\$ 14,289.50

Expenses: Loon Lisle Nature Reserve					
Lake Enhancement					
					\$
		fence caps			\$ 59.68
		buoys/water testing			\$ 652.06
		fish clean up			\$ 209.18
Subtotal					\$ 920.92

***	Whitley County Community				
		Foundation			\$ 57,828.22
***	Vanguard Account				\$ 57,219.15

		Safety Com/Door Hangers		\$ 189.00
		Pavers		\$ 480.00
		Welcome packets		
		Lake Enhancement		\$ 920.92
		Pavillion		\$ 16,428.85
Subtotal				\$ 22,025.71
				\$ 26,291.90

Summary of working accounts				27-Aug-22
	Petty Cash			\$ 48.34
	CD			\$ 4,000.00
	Checking			\$ 26,291.90
	Savings			\$ 14,289.50
	Fidelity			\$ 26,636.78
	CD			\$ 5,000.00

BALANCE OF WORKING ACCOUNTS WITH IN THE LLPOA

\$ 76,266.52

Funds held within the Vanguard account are earmarked for the maintenance of the sediment ponds and major lake enhancement projects. This money is not part of the Association's general funds. The account is funded by periodic distributions from the Loon Lake Conservation Fund (LLCF). The LLCF is an endowment fund whose principal is managed and controlled by the Whitley County