

Gravel Lake Association
Membership Meeting - Minutes
June 17, 2017

- I. Meeting called to order at 10:33am-
 - A. Thanks to Joyce Beebe and family for hosting, Happy Father's Day, pay your dues, buy raffle tickets, buy paraphernalia, get a Bloody Mary from Phil and thanks to Phil for those
- II. Attendance: Cr. DeSimone, Reed, M. DeSimone, Pinkos, Brown, DeRosa, Dorsey, Hochsprung, Kitzmiller, LaLone, McDevitt, McGreal, Rockwell, Roeder, Zwartz
Not in Attendance: Ca. DeSimone, Paramski, Stogis, Toso
- III. Treasurer's Report - report presented by Janice Pinkos
 - A. Handout provided
- IV. Officer's Reports
 - A. Secretary - thanks to everyone who attended the Natural Shoreline Workshop last month
 - B. Editor - everyone indicated that they received a newsletter, let Janice know if you have a new home or lake address
 - C. Internet Ops. - visit our website for lots of info., thanks to Mark Fazzini for helping with content, join the GLA Facebook page for even more info.
 - 1. Group rates for internet with Comcast are not available, sign up for Midwest Energy's program so we can get internet through their service sooner.
 - D. Fundraising - we are trying to sell through our inventory so we will only have new hats this year
 - E. Water Quality - we have seen improvements every year since the 1970s, the mild winter effected the secchi disk readings, CLMP has more tests we can do so if you are interested in helping with the testing then let Craig know
 - F. Weed Treatment - next week there will be a survey
 - G. Buoys/Signage - buoys are floating thanks to the Zwartz family
- V. Old Business
 - A. Public access - all present appear to be in favor of a boat washing event on July 22nd
 - 1. Can we get a boat wash station to keep?
 - 2. Picnicking at the public access - can we do anything about BBQs, fishing, and swimming at the access?
 - a) Call the DNR poaching line with these concerns
 - (1) Litter is an issue
 - (2) There is a sign at the access that says "swim at your own risk" but people swim anyway, this is dangerous when people drive boats in and out of the channel.
 - B. Fish Stocking - we stocked 1000 walleye per year from 2007-2012, in 2013-2014 we stocked 1500 walleye each year. We did not stock in 2015 because the DNR

required a fish survey, we did the survey and the DNR did one as well. At our last board meeting, we decided to stock 750 walleye per year but we have since discovered that it would be more expensive to do that than stock 1500 every other year.

1. Ken Hochsprung makes a motion to change our previous decision to 1500 walleye every other year, in 2017 and not in 2018, not to exceed \$4000 in 2017, with a fish survey completed every 5 years. Seconded by Kevin LaLone

- a) Motion passes with 1 dissent by Dave Brown

- C. Survey - we are putting out a survey for feedback on the GLA, the survey will go out via Facebook and email. If you need a non electronic version, please let us know.
- D. Shaw Rd. Pedestrians - Phil Rinaldi and Mark Hunter have volunteered to help with this project, we are working to see what we can do to make it safer to walk on Shaw Rd. When people are walking around the lake.
- E. Swamp Road Flooding - Donna DeRosa reported, she found that it is not a county road and she spoke to Chris Oxley from the township who said they have a trapper working to remove the beever.
 1. Can we give swamp road to the county for maintenance?
 - a) There was not enough interest and confusion for what that would mean. We will discuss this again at the August meeting.
- F. Poker Run - one more dock is needed as well as a silent auction volunteer and sponsors, see Suzanne Reed

VI. New Business

- A. 4th of July activities reported, info in the newsletter, on the website, and on facebook
 1. Can the boat parade be moved to the daytime in the future?
- B. Trustee elections will happen at the August membership meeting for all trustees, email Craig DeSimone if you are interested and don't be afraid of a runoff situation, we will be prepared to do secret ballot.
 1. We need a new location for the August membership meeting as well.
- C. Shoreline Restoration Workshop - sanding and seawalls require permits, if you are unsure of work going on around you feel free to contact the DEQ to see if permits were pulled.
- D. Channel mouth navigation - tree can be trimmed without owner's permission but Pat Beebe will talk to the owner about trimming the tree. Concern reported about the lift near the channel mouth, no further concerns raised among the membership present.
- E. Internet Service - this was addressed during internet ops.
- F. Other New Business -
 1. Slalom Ski course set up by Pat Beebe with a DNR permit, feel free to go to Pat with any questions or concerns about the course, Pat explained

how the course works and to bring him any of the buoys that might escape from the course.

2. Seaplane rules - seaplanes have the right of way at all times, there is no limit on how many times the plane can take off and land from the lake.
3. Keep kids off the front of your pontoon when in motion, this is extremely dangerous and ticketable.

G. Next BOT meeting is Saturday, July 22nd, 10am at Porter Township hall

H. Next Membership meeting is Saturday, August 19th, 10am at Rinaldi's pole barn on Gebhard beach. Thank you to the Rinaldi family for volunteering to host.

I. 50-50 raffle - McDevitt received a t shirt, Lowe received a t shirt, Beebe received a pillow from Maria Lowe, Dyrek won \$123 that was donated back to the association - thank you!

VII. Announcements - none

VIII. Adjourned at 11:37am