

LAKESIDE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

JULY 13, 2018

Call to Order: The General Membership Meeting was called to order by President Michael Brown at 10:00am. There were approximately 160 in attendance.

Invocation: Was given by the Rev. Charlie Yoost, Lakeside's Director of Religious Life & Church Relations.

Welcome New Property Owners:

- Caroline & Matt Gatsch – 462 Sycamore
- Erin & Brian Baesel -- 302 Oak

Approval of Minutes: The May 11, 2019 Meeting minutes were approved by voice vote of the members present.

Treasurer's Report: there are 1,017 LPOA members as of today.

Previous Balance = \$6,755.51

Income = \$22,530.08

Expenses = \$9,76/09

June 30th Balance = \$19,498.63

The Treasurer's Report was approved by voice vote of the members present.

PROGRAM – Danbury Police Department – Chief Mike Meisler:

- Police Chief Michael Meisler introduced Brian & his 15mo old Yellow Lab, Kalahan. The new police dog has been trained in narcotics detection, and demonstrated his ability to locate a previously placed bag of narcotics. Apparently his reward for doing this is to play with his tennis ball! He'll be trained next in tracking.
- Chief Meisler reports crime is at an all-time low in this area. He introduced Officer Vicki Fritz, who makes several driving passes thru Lakeside daily.
- Chief Meisler verified the "rumor" that ODOT is planning to put a round-about at the intersection of Rt. 163, & Northshore Blvd. This is their plan even though the Township officials, & many residents in the area are voicing their disapproval.
- Danbury officers continue to provide extra security at Hoover Auditorium on weekends.
- Chief Meisler also verified the "rumor" that the Danbury Township Fire Department has bought property west of the Dollar Store on 163. This might be to consolidate the department into that 1 location.
- Ongoing issues with autos, golf carts, & bikes going the wrong way on 1 way streets & not stopping at stop signs was brought up by the audience. Although Lakeside provides a bicycle education class for children, it was suggested that perhaps one should be offered for adults too. Kevin mentioned this issue is part of the Lakeside Traffic Study being done by CORDA.

LPOA Nominating Committee Report -- Joe Caner

Joe requested a nomination from the Floor for the LPOA Representative to the Lakeside Association Board. Becky Howard nominated John Fleischer. There were no more nominations, and the nominations for this office were closed.

The following slate was presented by the LPOA Nominating Committee: Treasurer – Rev. Ron McCauley, Secretary – Carol Bradsher, Director – Greg Linville, Director – Rick Green. Rich Kelmer then nominated Mary Ann Kelmer for Director. The Election will be held at the August 2019 meeting, and the new officers will begin their service on April 1st, 2020. It was suggested that a biography for each of the candidates be made available for membership.

HPDRB Home Awards – Sarah Lock:

The HPDRB Committee is in charge of helping Lakeside maintain its character. They provided awards to the following exemplary candidates:

1. Award for New Construction went to James & Vicki McElheny, 728 Oak.
2. Award for Existing Structure went to Jeff & Diane Beach, 136 East 2nd.
3. Award for Landscaping went to Loretta Wilken & the Lakeside Association.

Lakeside Municipal Services Committee – Frank Baker:

The goal is to preserve Lakeside sustainability, with Zero Waste, Zero Water, Zero Pollution, & Zero Energy use. This committee is being served by Intern, Ben White, who is dedicated to environmental issues.

- There is a proposal for the instillation of solar panels on the Administration Building – which would result in a 6 year payback. A presentation on residential instillation will be provided.
- L.E.S.S. is working with Barnes toward zero waste at the Wednesday Family Picnics.
- A computer generated tree inventory database is being maintained.

The suitability of solar panels on Lakeside cottages was questioned. It is currently under study.

Lakeside Report – Kevin Sibbring:

Kevin reports we are having a good season in spite of the wet spring. Revenue is up. 1,100 season tickets have been sold so far, with a boost in the daily tickets each weekend. There is increased attendance at the programs, and increased revenue at the Hotel Lakeside & Fountain Inn which has been helped by focused Marketing. There are 9 weeks of Religious Life Dept Endowments, and another Education Dept Endowment has been added this year. Unfortunately the Annual Fund is behind – due to the increased repair issues resulting from the Lake.

The dock has really taken a hit this Spring. Kevin reports the light on the flag at the end of the dock is finally working again. We can expect the “L” dock to be closed for the rest of the season due to the lake height. Lake Erie will probably rise another inch this summer, and remain high for several years. We’ll be studying Lakefront Hydrology, and working with a professional engineering group. Folks are enjoying the use of the sports courts in Bettinger Park, now that it is fully opened. There has been some damage to the terraces by Perry Park, which have collapsed due to the harsh spring.

There are 211 Seasonal Lakeside employees and 15 Interns this year. The plan is for a more formalized Volunteer Program in 2020, with more orientation. 50 families donated to the Pickelball courts. On July 27th there will be a rededication of the Steele Memorial Bandstand on its 40th anniversary. Marketing is seeing increased numbers of Travel Bloggers, and are placing more advertising in the Cleveland papers. Lakeside is included in more print & TV press coverage.

A lot of interest has been expressed in the School House and the Back Stage tours. We’re seeing an increased affirmation of support for the Summer Arts programs, with strategic partnerships. Lakeside is focusing on the following: our Front Door, the Lake Front, the Schoolhouse, and the Infrastructure.

New Business – Questions & Comments:

1. Q - Why are there not more safety devices on the dock? The life preserver she saw didn't have a rope on it. RESP: we'll have someone look into that. There are defibrillators at each hotel, at the pool, and in the Security truck.
2. Q - Concern about stop signs & 1 way signs being ignored. Suggesting a helmet restriction. RESP: traffic study is being done, and results will be shared at the community forum.
3. Q - What is the rule/reg about using a cottage as a storage unit? RESP: please discuss with Kevin after mtg.
4. Q - We make quarterly payments to the Lakeside Association, and would appreciate having an itemized statement of what those payments are being used for. RESP: the annual audit has been done & is available for public viewing.
5. Q - There is a safety concern with pedestrians lined up at the entrance between cars to purchase passes. Suggest an alternative entrance for pedestrians. RESP: Kevin's goal is to eliminate all transactions at the gates by using technology.
6. Q - Is it possible to institute more pass categories, i.e. a care giver pass, a family pass
7. Q - Too many intersections in Lakeside where can't see due to obstructions. RESP: the traffic study will identify & Lakeside will notify cottage owner(s) to eliminate obstructions.
8. Q - Swimming Pool too crowded & we have to wait in line. Suggest increased hours in evening. Also suggesting increased hours when it's really hot. RESP: 6:30 to 8:30 pm pool is open for special gatherings.
9. Q - Fear problems in the evening after lifeguards have left the dock. RESP: call Security.
10. Q - The "L" Dock is under water, and doesn't seem to be lighted. Have concern about potential for boat hitting it. RESP: don't think this will occur.
11. Q - Needed a wheelchair in Hoover Auditorium & the closest one they could find was at Hotel Lakeside. RESP: we will purchase one for Hoover.
12. Q - There are increased requests for WIFI services from cottage renters. Is there a more reliable service? RESP: there's a problem with the tree canopy, but Lakeside is dialoguing with Spectrum right now. At present time all LKSD buildings where activities occur are "hot".
13. Q - Concern about a \$3.3 million sale in Lakeside? This will really affect our taxes. RESP: Ottawa County says they take out all anomalies when they calculate the rate. Need to question how the County is assessing.
14. Q - Cottage at end of Lynn is being used as a parking lot for golf carts & floats.
15. Q - The Road is "falling apart" at the end of 3rd Street & it needs to be addressed. RESP: Let Jim Switzer know at Lakeside Assn office.
16. Q - Have counted 9 "political" signs, and is fearful of the potential for mtpl similar signs. RESP: the definition of political sign doesn't include the ones she's referring to. This will be included as a Lksd Association Board dialogue. Would prefer a forum for discussion instead of "stakes in the ground", and there will be forum on 'Civil Conversations in an Uncivil World' – held by Religious Life.
17. Q - Requesting a better definition of what is a political & appropriate sign, and feels the Lksd Association Board needs to take the leadership on this. RESP: Mike Brown suggests write down concerns & he will take them to the next Lksd Assoc. Board meeting.
18. Q - The Rhein Center is extremely warm this summer. Is it possible to have air conditioning there? RESP: 7 yrs ago community was asked about air conditioning, and they responded "no". Do we want to do this as a capital project?
19. Q - Concern about the unhealthy decibel level at Hoover. When Lakeside employees are on the sound board, then levels are OK. When outside group does their own sound, then decibel levels can reach a dangerous 110. How do we address this for health of our guests?

Meeting Adjourned at 11:45 am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Carolyn Brown, Secretary, LPOA