

SPRING GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
Friday, May 23, 2008  
Tyrone Township Hall, 10408 Center Rd, Fenton MI 48430

MINUTES

Refreshments were provided at 6:00 PM.

1. **Meeting was called to order** at 7:00 PM by Joe Perrera, with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Dick Lemke. The Trustees present introduced themselves to the meeting, and the areas they represented. A quorum for the meeting was achieved with 69 lots represented, including 10 Trustees present (Michele Ostrowski absent). No proxy votes were received.
2. **Sewer Finances**
  - 2.1. Guests from Tyrone Township, Brian Miles, Hod Morton, Steve Nagy, and County Commissioner Dave Domas attended to discuss. Brian Miles provided a presentation of the sewer system finances, historic and future, and the impact on the Township property owners.
  - 2.2. The Township representatives stressed that funding public safety and keeping the sewer system funds solvent are the top two items on their agenda while updating and promoting new business. Their main message was that there are is a \$16.2M sewer bond, and that the drastic drop off in housing starts and sewer hook-ups is putting bond payments at risk 3-5 years ahead. The Township wants to keep the community informed, and sees these options ahead:
    - #1 Do nothing
    - #2 Work with Livingston County and DPW
    - #3 Assess all Tyrone Township property owners
    - #4 Grow residential and business development in the Township
  - 2.3. After a question and answer period the township officials left at 7:50 PM, and requested that members ponder the problem and contact them with their thoughts.
  - 2.4. Joe Perrera noted that the Township is in good financial standing today, but that the sewer finances are in danger and the Township people were here to solicit our feedback on that situation. Joe asked the members if we should continue being so involved with the Township and have them attend and speak to us. The response was "Yes".
3. **We Have a Fish Story to Tell You** – At short notice, Dr. David Jude, Fresh Water Physicians, was unable to attend the meeting, item deferred to the Fall General Membership Meeting.
4. **Minutes of the Fall General Membership Meeting** were distributed for review. No discussion or changes. Motion to approve the minutes as provided was made by Rick Coscia, seconded by Al Jarosz. Motion carried.
5. **Treasurers Reports** were presented by Ivan Quinn, as attached:
  - 5.1. Motion to accept the 2007 Year End Financial Statement was made by Clay Putnam and seconded by Ava Hamrick. Motion carried.
  - 5.2. Motion to approve the 2008 YTD report was made by Ava Hamrick, seconded by Sally Eastman. Motion carried.
6. **Nominations for trustees** elections was presented by Dick Lemke. Trustees who are up for re-election at the Fall General Membership Meeting are:

Area #1 Michele Ostrowski	Area #4 Ken Burke
Area #2 Bret Straffon	Area #5 Jim Sporer
Area #3 Mark Meisel	

Noted that all agreed to stand for re-election for another two years term, also that nominations for election at the Fall General Membership Meeting are open until 30 days before the meeting, i.e. nominations must be received by 7:00 PM on July 30, 2008.

7. **Social Committee**, represented by Julie Dooling.

- 7.1. Thanked Sandy Simpson for her leadership and new ideas over the last two years. Sandy has stepped down and a new Social Committee Chairperson is needed. Eleanor Lemke is the contact point for meetings and for an interested Chairperson.
- 7.2. Introduced new residents to the lake this year, Blaise & Susan St. Raymond, Runyan Lake Point.
- 7.3. Asked for ideas, any interest in a Boat Parade? None.
- 7.4. Proposed a family oriented Music Night on the Island for Saturday, July 12, 2008, with everyone bringing their own food and drinks. Preliminary arrangements are in place, choice of a duo for \$500 or a 4-piece band for \$750. Requested RLI funding. Rick Coscia made a motion to approve up to \$750.00 from RLI funds, Ava Hamrick seconded. Motion carried. Event received the support of the meeting, one person raised concern regarding noise. Details to be emailed, posted to the web site and flyers out when final plans are developed.
- 7.5. Proposed a winter festival in the SW cove area, a chili cook-off, hockey, and other activities. Details to be worked out.
- 7.6. Fishing Contest – Bret Straffon noted the dates as June 20 – 27, and that there will be a Kids Clinic kick off at the start of the contest, hosted by Tim Polakowski.
- 7.7. Hot Dog Roast on August 2 – Ken Burke arranging, asked for help to clean the island.
- 7.8. Lobster Cookout August 9 – Mike Czarnota's private event, Mike noted that all are welcome, contact Mike to participate, no charity affiliation this year, just an event for the participants.
- 7.9. 50/50 Drawing, collected \$230.00 – the winner was Ryan Farnen, Runyan Lake Point, who immediately donated his winnings to the general fund. Thank you.

8. **Drawing for 2009 annual dues to be waived**, was drawn, and won by Ray Barth. Congratulations!

9. **New / Other Business** -

9.1. **Goals for 2008** – Joe Perrera spoke to the goals:

1. Increase attendance – noted that we had a great attendance level for this meeting.
2. Review RLI Insurance coverage – John Norris noted that RLI has coverage of \$1M on each of General Liability, Umbrella, and Directors & Officers policies, and that our agent indicated this is adequate coverage for the present time. Requested membership input from any insurance experts. None offered. In response to a question from Mitch Wehrly agreed to check coverage for alcohol being brought onto the island, even when not provided by RLI.
3. Erosion issues for the lake properties and the island (discussed as item 9.6).

Motion to accept the goals made by Rick Coscia, seconded by Norm Bacon. Motion carried.

- 9.2. **Boat Ramp** – Dick Lemke noted that 24 hours notice is needed, but that he would have the ramp open 12:00 - 1:30 PM the next day, Saturday, May 24, 2008.
- 9.3. **Weed Control** – Ivan Quinn noted that treatment will start as soon as the water temperature is high enough.

- 9.4. **Fireworks** will be Friday, July 4, 2008, rain day Saturday, July 5. Thanked Travis Prince and Ryan Farnen for again donating generously to enhance the show. Bret Straffon noted that the clear safety zone is 500 feet from the island for the show, and we will have a roaming boat policing compliance for the show to be held. Request for helpers for cleaning the island, and getting equipment and materials to and from the island before and after the show, contact Joe Perrera or Mark Meisel.
- 9.5. **Goose Busters** – Dave Verbeke confirmed arrangements for humane removal of the geese on Saturday, June 14. 41 were removed last year, as result we have only 15 this year. Thanked Dave for his arrangements.
- 9.6. **Erosion issue** – John Norris spoke to a slide of information. Seawalls have multiplied this year, needed for property protection due to increased wave action, primarily from bigger boats now being used. Some properties have lost 2 - 3 feet due to wave action. MI DNR guidelines require rip-rap (rocks) content in front of the seawall, but not necessarily up to or above the water line. Indicated that RLI may make a submission to the MI DNR to promote a requirement for rip-rap to be sufficient it must be above the water line. Noted that the best water frontage to dissipate wave action is heavy rock material. Noted that the island dock area will also need repair in the next couple of years due to wave action and erosion.
- 9.7. **Other** – No other business items.
10. **Announcements** -
- 10.1. Tyrone Township Clean Up – Saturday, June 7, 2008, details at the web site.
- 10.2. Fall Meeting will be Friday, August 29, 2008.
11. **Adjournment** - Motion to adjourn by Tom MacDonald, seconded by Tim Polakowski, motion carried. Meeting adjourned 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Eleanor Lemke, Secretary

Attached: Financial Reports 2007 year end, 2008 YTD.

**Summary of Financial Reports  
2007 Year End and 2008 YTD Approved  
by the Spring 2008 General Membership Meeting**

Revenue		2007	2008				4/23/2008
		Actual	Budget	Actual	%	Over / (Under)	forecast
1	Dues	\$40,061.30	\$41,405	\$35,122.20	85%	(\$6,282.80)	\$41,405.00
12	Social Committee	\$2,278.19	\$0			\$0.00	\$0.00
27	Fish Fund	\$17.00	\$1,000				\$1,000.00
18	Interest	\$1,724.65	\$1,700	\$520.63	31%	\$228.00	\$1,500.00
1a	Donations	\$1,063.00	\$1,000				\$1,000.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$45,144.14</b>	<b>\$45,105.00</b>	<b>\$35,642.83</b>	<b>79%</b>	<b>(\$6,054.80)</b>	<b>\$45,105.00</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>							
2	Printing	\$739.14	\$700.00	\$0.00	0%	\$ (700.00)	\$700.00
3	Postage	\$746.40	\$900.00	\$129.80	14%	\$ (770.20)	\$900.00
4	P.O. Box Rental	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$80.00	160%	\$ 30.00	\$50.00
5	Membership Meeting	\$519.79	\$440.00		0%	\$ (440.00)	\$440.00
7	Aquatic Nuisance	\$8,727.50	\$11,000.00		0%	\$ (11,000.00)	\$11,000.00
8	State of Michigan Permits	\$800.00	\$830.00	\$0.00	0%	\$ (830.00)	\$830.00
9	Hall Rental	\$125.00	\$50.00	\$100.00	200%	\$ 50.00	\$50.00
10	General Supplies	\$335.08	\$275.00	\$60.71	22%	\$ (214.29)	\$275.00
12	Social Committee	\$2,027.78	\$1,000.00	\$384.78	38%	\$ (615.22)	\$1,000.00
13	Property Repair & Maintenance	\$216.87	\$500.00		0%	\$ (500.00)	\$500.00
14	Lake Study	\$55.00	\$1,800.00		0%	\$ (1,800.00)	\$1,800.00
15	Liens	\$336.64	\$200.00		0%	\$ (200.00)	\$200.00
17	Computer hardware, software,	\$169.60	\$250.00	\$49.03		\$ (200.97)	\$250.00
19	Fireworks	\$5,671.00	\$6,000.00		0%	\$ (6,000.00)	\$6,000.00
20	Property Tax	\$1,863.22	\$2,000.00	\$585.51	29%	\$ (1,414.49)	\$2,000.00
22	Consulting	\$7,248.54	\$3,000.00	\$23.85	1%	\$ (2,976.15)	\$3,000.00
26	Boat Stickers	\$255.46	\$350.00	\$301.00	86%	\$ (49.00)	\$301.00
28	Insurance	\$3,195.30	\$3,800.00		0%	\$ (3,800.00)	\$3,800.00
27,29,32	Fish stocking, misc, Federal, &	\$308.00	\$2,000.00		0%	\$ (2,000.00)	\$2,000.00
31	Banking Fees	\$75.67	\$25.00	\$3.00		\$ (22.00)	\$25.00
33	Coalition Efforts*	\$0.00	\$0.00		#DIV/0!	\$ -	\$0.00
34	Goose Busters	\$300.00	\$300.00			\$ (300.00)	\$300.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$33,765.99</b>	<b>\$35,470.00</b>	<b>\$1,717.68</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>(\$33,752.32)</b>	<b>\$35,421.00</b>
<b>Summary</b>	Beginning Balance (Checking & Savings)	\$44,274.79	\$55,652.94	\$55,652.94			\$55,652.94
	Ending Balance (Checking & Savings)	\$55,652.94	\$65,287.94	\$89,578.09			\$65,336.94
	Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	\$11,378.15	\$9,635.00	\$33,925.15			\$9,684.00

Contingency Expenditures funded out of Savings	
Property Repair & Maintenance	\$1,000
Consulting	\$1,000
Coalition Efforts	\$5,000