

## **RLI Proxy Ballot – Spring 2021 Meeting by Proxy**

Due to the established local state of emergency, which prohibits large indoor gatherings, the Spring General Meeting has been cancelled. To be able to conduct the business items required in our Bylaws, such as amending our 2021 budget, the Spring General Meeting will be held by proxy ballot. All freeholders (title holders) of record will be mailed a proxy ballot.

**Per section 4.01 of our RLI Bylaws, “All proxy and/or ballot submissions must be received by a Board member before commencement of a meeting, or via RLI PO Box forty-eight (48) hours prior to commencement of a meeting, to be counted.” Details of the proposals can be found on the website Bylaws page, or contact an RLI Trustee.**

**You may provide this completed proxy to any RLI Board member or mail it to:     Runyan Lake Inc.  
P.O. Box 105  
Fenton, MI 48430**

Due to the extenuating circumstances we will accept ballots received by RLI no later than May 29, 2021. Instructions for returning the proxy ballot are stated above.

### **Proposal #1: 2021 Fireworks Display Budget Increase Request**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the economic hardship that has resulted for many, we were informed in March our long time fireworks display contractor is unable to provide us with their services this year. They were kind enough to recommend another contractor. We have been able to secure a contract and continue our show this year but the cost of fireworks has increased, and the new contractor is requiring a minimum show cost. Our 2020 budget was \$10,000.00. The minimum show cost for 2021 is \$15,000.00. We have plenty of funds in reserve, and actually have received a discounted show the last two years due to technical issues. As set forth in our Bylaws, we need your consent to execute this new contract at the higher than budgeted cost. Does the Membership agree to authorize the RLI Board to amend the 2021 and future fireworks display budget to \$15,000.00?

*Yes, I am in favor of increasing the fireworks budget from \$10,000.00 to \$15,000.00 annually.*

*No, I am not in favor of increasing the fireworks budget.*

### **Proposal #2: Request to Increase the Social Committee Budget**

The social committee is proposing a third “music on the island” event for 2021. The cost of entertainment (band), porta-johns, and other supporting elements is approximately \$1500.00. The social committee is requesting their budget be increased to cover this expense. Do you authorize the RLI Board to amend the social committee budget to provide a third “music on the island” event?

*Yes, I am in favor of increasing the social committee budget by \$1500.00 for a third “music on the island” event.*

*No, I am not in favor of increasing the social committee budget.*

### **Trustee Election – Nominations for the Fall General Meeting**

Nominations are being accepted for trustees to be elected during the 2021 Fall General Meeting. I nominate the following RLI Members for the position of RLI trustee:

Area 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Area 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Area 3: \_\_\_\_\_

Area 4: \_\_\_\_\_

Area 5: \_\_\_\_\_

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\*\*\* One proxy ballot/vote per freeholder (property title holder) regardless of the number of lots owned \*\*\*

Proxy submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

(printed name)

(signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(RLI property address)

*I give this proxy to RLI Member \_\_\_\_\_ to cast my votes as they determine.*

Dear Runyan Lake Inc. Member,

Your 2021 Spring General Meeting proxy ballot is on the reverse side. Your envelope may contain more than one ballot. Each property title holder as listed on your property deed is entitled to one vote. If you only received one ballot your property is entitled to one vote based on records on file with the Livingston County Register of Deeds.

To manage the Runyan Lake Inc. budget and expenditures consistent with our Bylaws, specifically Section 3.02, we need your approval for any expenditure increase over that previously approved for the 2021 budget which exceeds \$1500.00.

We have a new fireworks contractor for 2021 as a result of personnel shortages at our traditional fireworks contractor. The new contractor was recommended by our former contractor and is the same contractor that does the Lake Shannon firework. Their show minimum is \$15,000.00, therefore we are asking for an increased budget for our 2021 fireworks display. On the positive side the increased cost will also result in additional shells, and therefore most likely an improved show. This increase amounts to approximately \$15.43 per Member property but is able to be absorbed by the underspending we have experienced during the COVID-19 pandemic. No increase in Member dues is needed to fund this budget increase in future years at current spending levels.

Our social committee chair is also requesting a budget increase of \$1500 to cover the increased cost of Music on the Island entertainment as well as the associated port-a-johns. A third Music on the Island event is also proposed for this year, for which the majority of the additional funding would be used if approved. Due to event cancellations last year funds are available in our existing balance to cover this increase if the Membership agrees to a third event.

Please return your proxy ballot by May 29<sup>th</sup> to our PO Box as detailed within the proxy ballot, else you can deliver your ballot to any RLI trustee. We thank you for your continued support and participation in your Runyan Lake Inc. association. If you have any questions please feel free to contact us.

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