



## **LONG LAKE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION MEETING**

**Saturday 8/31/2024 @ 10 am**  
**Eagle Pointe Plaza, Hale Michigan**

### **AGENDA**

#### **Regular Business**

1. Meeting Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Board and Zone Director Roll Call
4. Secretary - Approval of Minutes from the August 3, 2024 Meeting
5. Treasurer's Report

#### **Updates**

6. Zone Report
7. Lake Monitoring – George Stojic
8. Lake Management and Treatment
9. Fish Committee – Jay Peters
10. Golf Outing Update
11. Road Cleanup September 7th, 2024 – Pizza at LLB at noon Contact Laura Lesich at 586.994.5104 or lzlesich@gmail.com for more information.
12. Next Meeting May 24, 2025 @ 10:00 a.m.
13. 50/50 Drawing
14. Adjournment

# LONG LAKE

## Property Owners Association

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Eagle Pointe Plaza  
August 3, 2024  
Meeting Minutes

The meeting of the Long Lake Property Owners Association was called to order at 10:03am by President Michael Lesich.

**Roll Call** was taken by Diane Carroll.

**Present:** Michael Lesich (President), Chris Lyon (Vice President), Diane Carroll (Secretary), David Wirth (Treasurer)

**Zone Directors Present:** Jennifer Henson, Scott Henson, Lawne Hillert, Deb Salgat

**Zone Directors Not Present:** Sue Bedra, Gale Jones, Fran Siems, Rammy Jordan, Michele Taylor, Anne Durbin

### Meeting Minutes

July 2024 meeting minutes were distributed. A motion to approve the July 2024 meeting minutes was made by Chris Lyon and seconded by Tom Kernstock. Motion passed.

### Treasurer's Report

David Wirth presented the current Treasurer's report.

A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Michael Lesich, seconded by Diane Carroll and approved.

LLPOA Checking & Savings Total Balance: \$12,267.78

Township Lake Treatment SAD Balance: \$25,948.17

Fish Fund Balance: \$4,98329

Total paid memberships are currently 227 out of 503 possible.

### Zone Directors

Jennifer & Scott Henson shared an update on their activities since taking over as Directors of our Zone Director program

- Zone Director vacancies still exist for Zone 2, Zones 6a & 6b and Zone 10.
- 40 new welcome bags were ordered and assembled.
- Visiting around the lake nearly every day trying to meet more property owners and share details about the LLPOA.

July 6, 2024

## LLPOA Minutes

- The question was raised whether non-lakefront owners could join the LLPOA. Diane Carroll shared details from the LLPOA by-laws that stipulate any homeowner in a subdivision bordering Long Lake is eligible to join. This would include non-lakefront homeowners in those subdivisions.
- Suggestion was made to post LLPOA meetings in the unofficial LLPOA Facebook page.

### Lake Treatment Update

Mike Solom from RLS attended to provide an update on the lake treatment efforts.

- Provided an overview of historical spending for lake treatments with a clear trend upwards.
- Shared that RLS recommends maintaining a fund balance of 1.5X the average annual spend. Historical costs have ranged from a low of \$19,080 to a recent high of \$40,800.
- Treatment details:
  - ~6 acres of Eurasian Milfoil
  - 24.5 acres of algae
  - 12 acres of Starry Stonewort
- Question was asked about the increase in algae this year. Mike shared that killing the milfoil allows for an increase in algae. Algae forms from warm weather, lack of wind / water movement and high nutrient levels in the lake. (i.e. fertilizer) Recommendations:
  - Reduce or eliminate use of fertilizer and instead provide nutrients by watering lawns with water from the lake when possible.
  - Clean septic tanks on a regular basis
    - AirBnB's require more frequent cleanings due to a larger number of guests.
  - Never blow leaves or grass clippings into the lake.
- *Hydrilla* (waterthyme) is a new invasive species we should be aware of for future reference.
  - Already present in Ohio and Indiana lakes.
  - Found last year in 3 isolated landscaping ponds in SW MI which were treated very aggressively by MI EGLE including chemical treatment and excavation to eradicate.
  - Each stem can grow 1" – 4" per day with up to 10,000 stems per square meter effectively shutting down impacted waterways.
- Two weed samples were brought to the meeting for identification by homeowners, both located on the south side of the lake.
  - Both were identified as a type of algae and picture of one sample was sent to Jennifer from RLS for further identification. No real concerns of note.
- Question was raised about the significant increase in the number of snails this year resulting in an increase of Swimmer's Itch. Mike indicated that there is nothing we can do about the snail population.
- Michael Lesich reiterated that the goal of the lake treatment program is not to create a swimming pool.
- Question was asked about the effectiveness of boat wash stations. Mike shared that a MSU study showed that they are effective IF people use them. Crystal Lake and Houghton Lake now have manned boat wash stations to ensure enforcement.
- Question was asked about the proposed wake boat legislation being considered. Mike shared the details of the DNR study that supports the parameters outlined in the proposed legislation

of 500 feet from shore in a water depth of at least 20 feet. Long Lake is not suitable for wake boat operation under these guidelines.

### **SAD Increase Resolution**

Motion by Michael Lesich and seconded by Diane Carroll to pass a resolution requesting a 5% increase in the SAD for 2024 to \$120 per lakefront homeowner. Chris Lyon offered up amended language. After discussion the resolution below passed unanimously.

**Resolution:** The LLPOA Board and membership agree that a fund balance goal of 1.5X the annual average cost of lake treatments is in the best interest of our property owners and the future health of Long Lake. The LLPOA, on behalf of our membership, is requesting the township levy the allowable 5% increase in the SAD assessment for 2024 to cover anticipated cost increases and to further build a reasonable fund balance.

### **Goose Population Management**

Chris shared that a task force of volunteers is needed in March and early April to locate nests to support the efforts of Goose Busters to manage the population on the lake. This year, there is an estimated 80 geese living on or around the lake.

### **New Lake Signage**

New signage designs were shared by Michael Lesich. Delivery will be within the next week and volunteers are needed to help build and install new frames to hold the signs.

### **Member Comments / Discussion:**

- Scott Henson shared concerns about township ordinance violations taking place around the lake including 7 new, non-compliant lakeshore sheds installed / erected this year. He encouraged members to attend both the Township Zone Board meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month and the Township Board meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month @ 6:30pm.
  - LLPOA Board recommended that members visit the Plainfield Township website for more information.

### **Annual Lake Cleanup**

Laura Lesich shared details about the annual lake cleanup and encouraged members to sign up. This year's cleanup is scheduled for September 7<sup>th</sup> with a thank you lunch at the Long Lake Bar starting at noon.

**Next meeting to be held at Eagle Pointe Plaza on August 31, 2024 @ 10:00am.**

### **50/50**

\$80 total was donated to the Fish Fund

Motion by Chris Lyon and seconded by Michael Lesich to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 11:04am.

# Long Lake Property Owners Association

## Treasurers Report August 2024

### Account (Checking # 7936)

Date	Description	Revenue	Disbursement	
7/1/2024	Balance Forward			\$ 1,466.38
	5-Aug Dues	\$ 182.00		
	13-Aug ProScape Land.		\$ 129.75	
	16-Aug From PayPal 8/1 to 8/15	\$ 85.00		
	Trans to Fish Fund		\$ 25.00	
<b>Total Checking Account</b>		<b>\$ 267.00</b>	<b>\$ 154.75</b>	<b>\$ 1,578.63</b>

### Savings (#4413)

8/1/2024	Balance Forward			\$ 11,365.20
	No Activity			
<b>Total Savings Account</b>		<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 11,365.20</b>

### Fish Fund (Savings# 5027)

Date	Account	Revenue	Disbursement	
	Balance Forward			\$ 4,983.29
8/5/2024	Donations	\$ 170.00		
8/16/2024	Donations	\$ 25.00		
8/26/2024	Donation from LLPOA	\$ 1,543.00		
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$ 1,738.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	
<b>Total Fish Fund</b>		<b>\$ 1,738.00</b>		<b>\$ 6,721.29</b>

### All Long Lake Property Owners Association Funds

LLPOA Checking	\$ 1,578.63
LLPOA Savings	\$ 11,365.20
Fish Fund	\$ 6,721.29
<b>Total LLPOA Funds</b>	<b>\$ 19,665.12</b>
<b>Total Township Special Assessment Balance</b>	<b>\$ 25,948.17</b>