MORTON TOWNSHIP

 TRI-LAKES ASSOCIATION, INC.

October 6, 2018

CALL TO ORDER: PresidentDave Lewis

Board Members in Attendance; Dave Lewis, Sandy Brogan, Craig Wernette, Randy Walsdorf, Al McNamara, Helen Bailey, Jay Benevigna

GUEST SPEAKER: Bob VanDyke, Marine Division, Mecosta County Sheriff’s Department

* Deputy VanDyke shared statistics on patrols (Tri-Lakes is 3rd in the county behind the Muskegon River and Canadian Lakes), number of stops (101), citations (3), warnings (16 – for violation of slow no wake, 20 for no PFD’s, and 27 for registration violations)
* Discussed “no high-speed boating” (high speed = boat in planning condition) vs “slow – no wake” and offered to meet with members in the spring to educate them on boater safety. He mentioned that the large buoy in the narrow area just north of the public landing should be a “no high speed boating” rather that slow no wake.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: approved

APPROVAL OF TREASURERS REPORT: September 2018, Sandy, motion passed

Total Income $ 235.00

Total Expenses $ 241.75

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fish and Wildlife Management:

* Dave spoke again with Stoney Creek and we are scheduled for the second or third week in October for fish planting. 3200 fish have been ordered.
* Jay reported on the Secchi disk readings taken over the summer. There was a decrease in readings on all 3 lakes over the summer. Chlorophyll and phosphorus testing has been completed.

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Blue Springs Subdivision:

* No new information

Lake Improvement:

* The annual meeting of the Lake Improvement Board is scheduled for October 25, 2018, at 7:00 PM.
* Muskrats: There will be an article in the newsletter so property owners can flag their property if they would like traps set. They can also call Carl Meissner directly.

Loons:

* Nothing new

Dam:

* All boards are up

Membership:

* We need a new chair and a committee formed.
* Around 224

Recreation:

Golf Outing update:

* Myle was absent, no new report

Bass Tournaments:

* We remain a popular venue for fishing tournaments, numbers appear to be up but participants are doing a better job of observing high speed and wake rules.
* Permit information available on the mich.gov website.

Communication:

Newsletter:

* Shooting for October 15 for publishing date.

Website: No report

Facebook: No report

New Brochure:

* Modifications suggested – consider taking to the Marine Division for review before printing.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

* Dave attended the “semi-grand” opening at Lakeside.
* Computer software issue tabled.

NEW BUSINESS:

* Approval requested for annual membership to MLSA for $300.00; motion approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

* Sandy distributed information on a millage request for the Youth Center that will be on the November ballot in Morton Township.

**DATE OF THE NEXT BOARD MEETING: November 3, 2018**

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