MORTON TOWNSHIP

TRI-LAKES ASSOCIATION, INC.

April 6, 2018

CALL TO ORDER: PresidentDave Lewis, welcomed three attendees, Bev Tiseo, Kathy Tiseo, and Lesley Lewis. Accepted Dave Scott’s resignation.

Board members in Attendance; Dave Lewis, Sandy Brogan, Karen Slenk, Alex Betker, Mark Wrona, Myle Turpen, Alan McNamara, Kevin Doyle, Kolina Mako, Sue Parker

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: (Myle) November minutes approved with several changes. March meeting did not have a quorum so discussion moved to golf outing.

TREASURERS REPORT: Sandy, March 2018 treasurers report approved

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fish and Wildlife Management:

* There has been extensive beaver and muskrat damage. Dave and Carl Meissner set traps before the end of the trapping season. Someone else had also set traps. Next year we should try to co-ordinate better with all parties involved.
* Now that the trapping season is over, we will have to apply for a nuisance permit to continue trapping. Carl does not charge for trapping during season, but charges for out of season expenses.
* Motion made to apply for two nuisance permits for the Colgrove and Tiseo properties. Tri- Lakes Association will pay for up to $200 from the fish and wildlife fund. Passed.
* Dave will contact Neal Colgrove and Carl Meissner about trapping and obtain permission from the property owners.

Shoreline Permit Applications:

* No new information

Blue Springs Subdivision:

* No new information

Lake Improvement:

* Dave has taken his boat out, and took phosphorous tests. Secchi tests should start in May.
* Alex will post a link to these and other test results on the webpage.

Loons:

* They are back
* Dale Deptker supplied a PVC frame for an ANI. Dave is going to try and make a new artificial loons nest. Dave will use his discretion for a location; possibly Round Lake channel. We have a new sign warning boaters to keep their distance from the artificial nest in Lake Mecosta during nesting season. $47.40

Dam:

* All boards are up, water is low. We have to advise Jackie Fitzgerald (Mecosta Co. Drain Commissioner) that we would like to put one or two boards down. It has been dry and we would like to preserve as much water as possible.

Membership:

* Still in need a chair. There has been several renewals and new memberships generated from the golf flyer.

Recreation:

* Golf outing update; Flyer went out mid March ($50 postage). Every board member is expected to participate by finding a sponsor, working on event day, or donating an item to the silent auction. The date is Wednesday, June 13, with a shotgun start at 11am. $4,100 has either been committed or received. That is a 39% increase from this time next year. We are up money but down sponsors and golfers.

Bass Tournaments:

Bass tournaments will now require a permit. Myle will pass on new information.

Communication:

Newsletter:

* Should go out by May 15. Should include; A letter from the president which will include a thank you to Dave Scott for his service and mention of the Round Lake representative vacancy, the 2018 treatment schedule, Tri-Lakes Youth Fishing Contest info and application form, a reminder not to use damaging chemicals near the water, golf outing update and boater safety class information.

Website:

* Alex will ad fishing contest info and application, keep golf page updated and the current business ads.

Facebook:

* 314 likes, take the time to like our events for those who are not getting the information that property owners are.

TOWNSHIP REPORT:

* No report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

* Motion to approve #2 concept as our approved logo template. passed

NEW BUSINESS:

* Dave bought 6 new blaze orange buoys and cable. He will put them out when possible. $163.48
* Motion to approve payments totaling $268.88; $163. 48 for new bouys and cable, $47.40 for new Loon sign and $50 for postage from the golf outing flyer. passed
* Looking for a new board member for round lake, Dave will mention it in the letter from the president.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

**DATE OF THE NEXT BOARD MEETING: May 5, 2018**

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