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### From the president

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### Life at the Lake...business as <del>usual</del>... unusual!

This has been a very eventful month since my last Newsletter article. We have gone from a "Safe Distancing" policy to State by State "Stay at Home" executive orders. Unprecedented for sure. To my surprise, the ELPOA was brought into the fold to assist the County with mitigation of the virus. As most of you know, I received a call on April 4<sup>th</sup> from Casey Ellis, the Owen County Judge-Executive (top guy) to express his concerns over the public gatherings taking place within the ELPOA boundaries. And many of these people were from outside the County including us Ohioans.

Per Judge Ellis' request, I immediately sent out a blast email announcing a temporary policy to restrict access to the lake. This initial policy had two key components: 1) No guest passes to help reduce the gatherings; and 2) A restriction of coming and going to comply with the self-quarantining State orders including a reduction of people in local businesses.

After several days of discussion among Board members and residents, which included our fear that becoming an enforcement agency of the County put the ELPOA at risk of a lawsuit, I sent out a revised policy on April 9<sup>th</sup> that eliminated any restrictions at the gate for property owners but maintained the no-guest-pass policy. I reached out to Casey Ellis and explained our position, and he understood. I also asked him to put in writing his wishes for Elk Lake property owners, which we included in the email and passed out at the gate.

(On a side note: My second email went much better than my first attempt. Apparently, G-Mail does not like it when you create a distribution list that contains 474 emails.....crash and burn! I broke it down to 11 different lists, and it seemed to work much better.)

As many of you know Kentucky is beginning to open things up again. I believe around May 25th the no gathering policy will change to small gatherings of 10 people or less. We had a brief meeting among the Board members and agreed to lift the guest writing restriction on May 22nd. This was not a

unanimous decision and like the Elk Lake Community, our Board has different views on the role ELPOA should play. Our decision was democracy at its finest. Our current policy is as follows:

- Homeowners will be allowed to start writing guest passes effective May 22. 2020, within the published Elk Lake guidelines.
  - A. All common areas will remain closed in accordance with the current orders/rules/regulations of the State of Kentucky. This includes the beach, playground, Lodge, Elk Office and Guard Station.
  - B. All members and guests are encouraged to follow the current orders/rules/regulations of the State of Kentucky regarding Social Distancing and group sizes. Updates on the current regulations can be found at: <a href="https://govstatus.egov.com/kycovid19">https://govstatus.egov.com/kycovid19</a> and <a href="https://nebu-la.wsimg.com/0df8ee0fe011cfa0eb5bda5ee4a71f117">https://nebu-la.wsimg.com/0df8ee0fe011cfa0eb5bda5ee4a71f117</a> <a href="https://Access-KeyId=99125A55F8EE00C8253C&disposition=0&allo">https://nebu-la.wsimg.com/0df8ee0fe011cfa0eb5bda5ee4a71f117</a> <a href="https://Access-KeyId=99125A55F8EE00C8253C&disposition=0&allo">https://nebu-la.wsimg.com/0df8ee0fe011cfa0eb5bda5ee4a71f117</a>
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     Please be considerate and continue to practice Social Distancing with any members and guests who are not in your household without their permission.
- If your permanent residence is not in the state of Kentucky, you are discouraged from visiting local businesses during the Covid-19 epidemic.
- Notification will be provided to all people entering the gate upon entry.

And BTW, Casey Ellis is extremely grateful to all of us Elk Lakers for our assistance and cooperation during this health crisis. I thank you for that.

### **Memorial Day**

During these past two months, while staying and working from home, I have focused all of my efforts on what is best for my family and me during this pandemic. As a community, our temperament for accommodating the stay-at-home order is being tested. Let's be sure to take a moment on Memorial Day, May 25th, to honor and recognize those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for our freedoms.

### Lake business

### Scott D. Jones jonesscott1396@yahoo.com

- Issues at the garbage dump always seem to surface. Eliminating the large dumpster except for Holiday weekends has saved us tons of money. The issue today is people still throwing construction materials in the dumpsters and or placing items such as refrigerators next to the dumpster. If you need to get rid of a refrigerator or other non-bagged garbage, please notify one of us, and we can try to help you. Setting it next to the dumpsters transfers your problem to that of the collective membership.
- The new gas pump is in. A big thanks to all that helped make this happen.
- Legal items
  - \* I hope to restart our efforts to revise the By-laws and Warranty Deed. We are seeking assistance of our HOA attorney.
  - \* We will be re-writing the Maintenance contract this summer as the current contract expires this year. Per the ELPOA guidelines, this will go out for bid this fall.
- We are working on a new Audit firm to handle our required audit. Not sure how to do this during this pandemic.
- Another big win regarding blight issues. An eyesore on Dogwood has been sold and the new owner has agreed to tear down the house.

Lastly, I want to highlight and say thank you to all of the other Board Members for their efforts this past month. Poor Cheri was on the front lines managing the gate, as we were all figuring out the best approach given this Covid-19 crisis. She does a great job. And please give thanks and show your appreciation to our valued guard staff as they have come in every day and have tried to field the many questions.

And thank you to all the members for your kind words and your efforts this past month. I do have a request. Our healthcare workers are our first responders today and our hero's. Do we have any nurses or doctors among us? If you

have a healthcare worker in your household or you know that your neighbor is a nurse or doctor, please email me at jonesscott1396@yahoo.com. They are part of the Elk Lake family, and we need to give a big Elk Lake thank you!

Stay safe and see you on the water!

### Road report

Jim Millar emillar75@gmail.com

### The gravel rolls on...

The 2020 road maintenance plan is now underway. Good news is that the availability of gravel has not been reduced by the pandemic.

Maintenance for the main road will address problem areas, especially major hills where slopes exceed standards. Dependent on the weather, we hope to finish the majority of the work by Memorial Day. We will proceed by re-grading and placing gravel to be followed in a few days with a final grading and application of dust suppressant. Dust suppressant will normally be applied on Mondays and Tuesdays to allow a few days to settle in before weekend traffic.

Please drive slowly if you must drive over newly applied suppressant to reduce splatter on your vehicle and to allow the best results for dust control.

The side roads to receive gravel this year include Fairview, Walnut, Hickory, South Shore Circle, Cardinal, Lake Shore Circle, Hillcrest, Lake Shore Loop, Red Hawk, East Shore Circle and Lake View Circle.

Please remember to drive at the posted 15 mph, especially as the dust control has been newly applied and with more seasonal traffic.

#### Office hours:

10am—4 pm Saturday
Or by appointment
Email addresses-

elpoa@elklakeshores.net

**Guardhouse-** 502-484-2482 **Office phone/fax-** 502-462-0165 **Marina-** 502-484-3181

Newsletter and email address change- jakirk@fewpb.net



### **Elk Lake Information**

Regular meetings of the ELPOA are the third Saturday of each month.

**Elk Lake Resort car licenses and frames.** For sale at office, gate, and marina — \$5 each.

Email: <u>elpoa@elklakeshores.net</u> Website-<u>www.elklakeshores.net</u>

### Financial report

### Tom Goldschmidt tom@gesgoldschmidt.com

The current budget in not far off its target. At the end of March, we were 22 members short of budget, and in early April we received four additional members' dues. Thanks!!

The budget is fairly on target. Lake and Dam is over, but we have enough in the balance sheet Lake and Dam reserves to cover this.

This is truly an unusual year and it will be interesting to see how we stay on budget.

### **ELPOA Income / Expense Analysis**

Туре	Accounts	2020 March Operating Budget		
		Actual YTD	Budget	Balance
INCOME				
	Membership Dues	\$383,268.00	\$404,800.00	\$21,532.00
	Reserve Transfer - Lake & Dam	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total		\$383,268.00	\$404,800.00	\$21,532.00
EXPENSE		172		
	Payroll Expense	\$27,147.00	\$113,895.00	\$86,748.00
	Security Expense	\$2,129.00	\$6,200.00	\$4,071.00
	Building & Grounds Expense	\$25,192.00	\$93,690.00	\$68,498.00
	Lake & Dam Expense	\$17,575.00	\$11,000.00	-\$6,575.00
	Road Maintenance Expense	\$2,142.00	\$103,000.00	\$100,858.00
	Administration Expense	\$13,206.00	\$74,850.00	\$61,644.00
Total		\$87,391.00	\$402,635.00	\$315,244.00
	Profit /Loss	\$295,877.00	\$2,165.00	
	Marina	Gas		
	Marina Gas Income	\$0.00	\$35,000.00	
	Marina Gas Expense	-\$1,591.00	\$35,000.00	
	Marina Gas Income / Loss	\$1,591.00	0.00	
	Citizens Unio	n Bank Loan		
	Membership Dues - Loan	\$70,100.00	\$73,600.00	
	Loan Payment	\$69,794.00	\$69,794.00	
	Profit / Loss	\$306.00	\$3,806.00	
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	Miscellaneous Income	\$37,320.00	\$49,750.00	
	Reserve Budget Accounts	\$0.00	\$49,750.00	
	Profit / Loss	\$37,320.00	\$0.00	

### Important Notices for Members

**Please** take a few moments and read through the Rules and Regulations to refresh yourselves on what is and is not allowed within the ELPOA. Quiet Time, boating rules, swimming regulations from private docks, beach rules, speed limit, garbage, etc. It is your responsibility to make you and your guests are aware of the rules.

# LOTS FOR SALE!

Contact ELPOA office for pricing and locations.

### **ELPOA Board Meetings**

Members welcome!
3rd Saturday at 9 am
June 20
July 18
August 15
September 19
October 17
December 21

### Vehicles at the dam

Do not park your vehicles at the dam — unless you are launching a boat that will be taken out in the same day. All other vehicles will be towed at owner's expense.

**Boat Trailers** on ELPOA Property - Any boat trailers that are parked on the ELPOA's property need to have the owner's lot number and name on the trailer for identification. Any unmarked trailers will be moved.

### Boats at the lodge

There is a \$25 fee per month for storing your boat/ trailer at the lodge parking area. Parking for the day or weekend will be accepted, but ELPOA is not responsible for any damages.

Please either contact the ELPOA office and make plans for payment or remove them. <u>They will be towed</u> at the owner's expense.

**Reminder** - If you have a property improvement permit and your job is complete, please call 502-514-1592 so we can do our inspection and return any road-deposit checks.

### Upcoming Events

Watch the ELPOA website and Facebook page for upcoming member events!

### www.elklakeshores.net

The Elk Lake web site is your official source of information pertaining to Elk Lake Shores.

Check it regularly for newsletters, forms and building permits, and other needed information for members.

Remember your building permit! Any addition to houses, decks or docks require it. Available online or call 502-514-1592. PROTECT
OUR
ROADS!

SPEED LIMIT 15

# The ELPOA is accepting donations for any area that needs it!

Donate to Roads, Beautification, Security, Lakes and Dams etc. Or upgrades to Lodge!

Please contact the ELPOA office for additional information!!

### **Concrete Needs?**

Please contact Hosea Miller (502) 514-5905

### Buildings and grounds

Jason Wainscott fullserviceauto@hotmail.com

Ideas to replace the marine deck and gas pump have been in the long-term plan for some time. This past winter we were able to do both. A HUGE THANK YOU goes out to Matt Fisher. Last summer we got help from Mr. Fisher in finding a new gas pump at a great price. After voting to purchase the new gas pump, we decided to go ahead and replace the marina dock at the same time. After M&M Services removed the gas pump, we had Bruce tear out the old dock and replace it.

Once we got the deck finished, we had M&M services come back and install the new gas pump and link it to the new Ruby System that we purchased two years ago. The new Ruby System was due to a lightning storm that fried the system, even though we do have it on protectors. The new gas pump is compliant for the credit card updates (chip readers) that are going into effect next year. So, we should be up to date on everything. There will be times where there is an issue with the pump, and since we do not have an attendant on site at all times to clear errors or take care of issues with it, just remember to be patient, call the guard house, let someone know, and when we can get down there to fix it, we will.

We have about four new buoys that will be replacing the older, cracked, worn-out buoys around the lake. PLEASE DO NOT MOVE THE BUOYS. We understand that sometimes the high water moves them around, or they may break away and float off, but we will do our best at putting them back in the places they belong. There are certain places for them and reasons for each one.

There was approximately 430 tons of sand put on the beach. Over the years the sand has washed out and we have not put any back on it. We took the opportunity to freshen up the beach a little. REMEMBER, NO DOGS OR GLASS ON THE BEACH. As George always says, one broken glass bottle will stay there for years.

We also rip-rapped the dam face of Elk Lake. The reason for this is to protect the dam face from erosion caused by the wake. Not only is this a smart practice but is also mandated by

Some of the future projects that we have been discussing are installing a fishing pier at Deer Lake. We are currently accepting estimates/bids for this, so if you or someone you may know is interested, please let me know. Another project is a wake-break out in front of the marina. This would keep the wave action from the break to the marina at a minimal. This would allow easier docking at the marina for gas and less stress on boats parked at the marina rental docks and the docks themselves. If you are interested in being involved with these or any other project, please contact one of the board members.

This is the time of year to refresh your knowledge about boating basics. We were in the process of scheduling a boater's basic class with the Dept. for Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR), but the Corona virus put this at a standstill. Each year the KDFWR adopt changes to the boating and fishing guide, and KDFWR has donated a box of guides to Elk Lake, which are available at the gate for you for FREE. Please ask for one and check it out.

After the string of calls and accidents the last couple of years, Water Patrol stated that they will be coming here more this year to do checks and such. So make sure you have the basics on your watercraft such as your registration, registration numbers & Decal PROPERLY adhered to your vessel, your ELPOA sticker on the port (left) side (so the guards can see it when entering and leaving the gate) of the vessel behind the State Registration Decal, the proper type and amount of flotation devices, an approved whistle or horn, and all navigational lights operational. Also remember that it is against the law to have alcohol on all waters of KY.

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### **Security**

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I would like to start off by saying I hope everyone is healthy and safe at home. I know these are unprecedented times, but we will get through it. Hopefully it won't be too much longer before all our friends and family will be able to gather at the lake with us.

I want to thank one of our members, Patty Crisler, for donating Covid19 masks for the guards. They are very much appreciated.

I want to take the time to thank the guards for all they are doing. They have had to change up the way things are done, but they are still taking care of business. Please remember the guard house is limited to employees only during this time.

<u>Passes should be called in whenever possible, a limit of three passes per call.</u> Please have your PIN number ready when calling.

If you have packages at the gate please pick them up as soon as possible. There is limited space inside, and larger or heavier packages are left outside. Weather can become a factor with those. They cannot always be brought inside.

<u>Please do not park boats, trailers, ATVs or cars that you have for sale at the gate</u>. Space is limited already, and sometimes it becomes necessary to have this space for issues that arise at the gate. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Since a number of us are finding ourselves with time on our hands, now would be a good time to be sure our properties are clearly marked. Make sure our lot numbers are visible from the road for emergency personnel. Doing this makes it so much easier for help to find you in the event of an emergency.



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