

MORTON TOWNSHIP TRI-LAKES ASSOCIATION, INC.

AGENDA

August 7, 2021

CALL TO ORDER at 10:04

ROLL CALL Board Members Present: Myle Turpen, Brent Lemkuhle, Craig Werenette, Randy Walsdorf, Mike Bernard, Sandy Brogan, Jim Parker, Alex Betker, Dave Lewis, Julia Harris, Joan Parks, Al McNamara, Kolina Mako

Other attendees: Jan and Ted Pierzchala

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES from 7-3-2021 board meeting. Sandy motioned to approve, Jim Parker 2<sup>nd</sup>, Approved.

OFFICERS' REPORTS –

*Treasurer*—Sandy \$500 income from membership dues \$324.14 paid out  
Myle motioned to approve the treasurer's report, Mark 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion Approved

COMMITTEE REPORTS

*Fish & Wildlife Management* – Dave contacted Stoney Creek, fish should be available. The bid is 1500 fish 5-8 inches long + plus delivery charge of \$150.00 Total \$4452.00  
Mark moved that we accept the proposed purchase, Al 2<sup>nd</sup> - Motion approved

*Lake Improvement* – Lakes being treated on August 11<sup>th</sup>. Sandy has reached out about the Purple Loosestrife. Sandy noted that we would need a waiver in order to do a special spray for that specific plants. Randy stated that we would get a lot more complaints in the coming weeks as stated by the surveyor when he did the ride along with them. He said they were incredibly thorough. Discussion on harvesting lily pads, starry stonewort, celery (grass). Jan and Ted shared that they would like the lily pads harvested. Sandy shared the write-up for the harvest.

Al motioned that we move forward with the harvest, Sandy 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed.

Dave has been doing the secchi readings. He asked if Brent and Myle were still interested in learning how to that and take that over. Both agreed yes and asked for more information.

*Loons* – Chicks hatched May 20. Growing & still here. Doing well. Randy asked if it's normal for one of the babies to be by itself a little bit. Short discussion on young loon behaviors.

*Dam* – Raised all boards 6-26-2021. Boards put back down on July 3. Level looks normal at current.

*Public Landing* – James Parker passed around flyer from the boat wash. They showed up two weeks early on the 15<sup>th</sup> and then again on the 1<sup>st</sup>. The first visit was good, but he said the 2<sup>nd</sup> visit was very successful. We are on their schedule for next year already. Jim talked to Jo Latimore with MSU Department of Fisheries and Wildlife about purchasing one. They range in price from \$5,000 to \$20,000. Myle shared that about every 4 or 5 boats, the boat wash operators were seeing something invasive. Jim asked if we could coordinate future visits with tournaments days. Dave asked Jim to research the possibilities for us purchasing our own.

*Membership* – Mike shared that he and Julia are focused on expired memberships in the coming weeks.

*Recreation* –

Craig & Joan – Boat Parade. More boats this year than last year. Myle offered that we do a live vote from the public for next year. All agreed that would be a great idea.

Dave- Youth Fishing – Dave reported 24 participants. Perfect day. He will write up the article for the newsletter.

*Communication* –

Newsletters – Karen – Next newsletter needs to be mid-august. Boat Parade, Youth Fishing, President's letter will include boat wash, loons, gypsy moths... Sandy will email Tony about the

Purple Loosestrife and the next for a waiver and the harvesting. She will ask him to include those in his update. **Send all Newsletter items to Karen. Goal time to send out – August 25<sup>th</sup>.**

Facebook – Kolina – Putting a notice about purple loosestrife on FB. Copy from permanent posting on the website.

Website – Alex- update minutes

*Gypsy Moth*- Dave, Sandy, Mike, Julia. Results of special meeting on July 20: Dave stated that there would be \$1000 each time the notice goes through. The results were \$98 per parcel. Letters to should be arriving in the next couple days. Encouraged everyone to show for approval. Discussion that we should be represented at the township meeting this Tuesday.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – Zoom Purchase- Tabling topic for further discussion at a later date.

NEW BUSINESS – Nomination and election of directors whose terms have expired.

1. Joan Parks – would like to continue
2. Craig Wernette – would like to continue
3. Kolina Mako – would like to step down from her position
4. Brent Lehmkuhle – would like to continue

PUBLIC COMMENT – Jan P. asked if there was a way to slow down people coming through the channel at the speed they do. Dave suggested that that kind of behavior get reported to the sheriff's marine division.

DATE OF NEXT BOARD MEETING- 9/4/2021 at 10am at the Morton Township Hall. Please contact Dave if unable to attend.

ADJOURN- Motion to Adjourn by Myle, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sandy, Meeting Adjourned at 11:34 am

Respectfully Reported by Alex Betker