

Elk Lake Information:

Regular Meetings for ELPOA are the third Satur day of each month @ 9a.m. (currently virtual; board members only)

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Saturdays 10 am. - 4 pm

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President's Note Scott D. Jones jonesscott1396@yahoo.com

Wake Surfing Vote #1

At the January meeting we hosted a virtual discussion on Wake Surfing and had several members participate in this discussion. After an in-depth discussion, the board unanimously voted to ban the Wake Surfing activity at Elk Lake. As a reminder, a second vote of 2/3rd majority of the sitting Board is needed for the rules to be changed in the By-Laws. The second vote will take place at the February meeting.

As I mentioned in last month's article the issue with Wake Surfing on small lakes is erosion to the shore line and the damage of docks and boats. This is a national issue and many small lakes around the country have banned Wake Surfing activities. We discussed erosion with our quest members and we all agreed that there are many causes for erosion including poor boating skills, driving too fast or doing donuts at the dam. The difference here is that Wake Surfing is designed to create a huge wake and the other items mentioned create a large wake due to bad behavior or lack of education. We as a lake community and the Board need to improve our efforts to reduce poor boating skills and the harm it causes our lake.

It was requested by the Wake Surfing community that our efforts be focused on a retaining wall program instead of banning Wake Surfing. Although we agree this would help with the erosion of the shore line this is a long term program due to the huge cost of putting in a retaining wall. The retaining wall program is being discussed by the board but how to implement it due to the high cost on members has not been determined. (cont. on next pg.)

President's Note Continued

We have to balance this future cost of members with the possible cost of dredging and or a major repair on the dam. And even a retaining wall does not address the effects of huge wakes on boats and docks.

The Wake Surfing community proposed two alternatives to banning Wake Surfing. The first was to continue the sport activity with restrictions as they have done the past two seasons. The second was in the event of a vote to ban Wake Surfing, to grandfather the 5 members who current enjoy the sport.

We discussed three approaches to address the wake surfing:

Adopting the restrictive and self-regulating program with enhanced monitoring by the board. There was no appetite for this as the self-monitoring has been less than perfect and we do not have the resources to monitor.

Ban Wake Surfing but Grandfather the 5 wake surfing members. There was no appetite for this because we would be allowing 5 members to continue an activity that we as a board agreed is harmful to the lake.

The third and final path was to totally ban Wake Surfing which is where we landed and held the first of two votes. I know this is disappointing for those who enjoy the activity. We made a decision based on what-

we thought was in the best interest of the lake itself and the community we serve.

My personal opinion is at the end of the day we had to acknowledge 2 key points:

Elk Lake is just too small for Wake Surfing. If we did not have 5 members currently wake surfing, this would have been a 5 minute conversation.

We have 5 members who want to preserve wake surfing and dozens that want it gone.

If you would like to give your input on the Wake Surfing issue, whether for it or against it, please send us your thoughts via email to elpoa@elklakeshores.net. We will review each of these prior to our second vote.

Spring Clean-up

We have set a date for Spring Cleanup for Saturday, April 24th at 9:00 am. Last year it was cancelled due to a no gathering policy. Assuming this is not in place in April we will host this important event. We will communicate all safety measures as it relates to Covid-19.



President's Note Continued

Annual Meeting

The Annual meeting is scheduled for May 15th. This will be an out door event to review 2020 and discussed the season ahead. More details will come as we get closer.

Respecting Other People's Property

We have had two issues surface that need to be addressed regarding decisions or activities on other people's property.

Dredging – It was brought to our attention that some members in a particular cove are discussing among themselves a dredging plan for their cove. Although we are very supportive of dredging and are working on a future plan for dredging, any dredging in the lake has to be approved by the Board. This is because the lake belongs to all members and not just those who live on it's shoreline. Let's be sure our efforts are working together on these ideas.

ATV's on private land – If you are riding your ATV on a trail it is your responsibility to

know whose land you are riding on and that you have permission. We had a case where ATVers not only rode on private land, they took it upon themselves to cut down trees to clear a trail. Not good!!

Although it is a snowing today we are only 2 months away from boats rolling in!! Get ready for a great 2021 season.

Scott D. Jones
President



President's Note Continued

We have had several complaints about over length boats slipping in the gate, for use on the lake. From rules and regulations -Page 17-All watercraft placed on Elk Lake waters must be owned and registered to a Member who is in "Good Standing". The watercraft must meet the most recent reguirements of the state of Kentucky and or the US Coast Guard. Each Membership is allowed a maximum or two (2) watercraft powered by 50 horsepower or above motors. Prior to placing watercraft on Elk Lake waters, a copy of the current Registration Certificate must be presented to the Association Admin-



istration Office to confirm ownership and to confirm that the watercraft satisfies the Association's size limitations and allowable watercraft type. Page 20- To preserve the use and enjoyment of Elk Lake for all Members and their Guests, the following types or categories of boats are permitted. All others are prohibited: • Mono- or single-hull boats, deck boats, typically fishing and pleasure/ski boats, with a twenty foot (20') maximum length; • Pontoon boats with a twenty-four foot (24') maximum length; • Sailboats (with the exception of the "Luck of the Irish" currently on Elk Lake and which is grandfathered with respect to these requirements) with a twenty foot (20') maximum length and twenty (20') maximum mast height; and • All other watercraft – twenty foot (20') maximum length. These can be found at elklakeshores.net All boats entering the gate must have a current sticker, renewed each March Please forward the current state registration document with length to

<u>elpoa@elklakeshores.net</u> or <u>elpo</u> <u>a1357@gmail.com</u> 2 weeks before you plan to bring your boat

Financial Report Tom Goldschmidt tom@gesgoldschmidt.com

The year ended on a positive note. Because of the large number of New Members (\$92,500.00) and the collection of Past Dues (\$29,190.80) plus other Miscellaneous income, we were able to fund several areas. \$45,000.00 for additional loan principal, \$75,000.00 to the Dam Reserve, \$15,000.00 to the Road Sign project, \$5,000.00 additional to the Road Fund, hopefully we can make another payment on the principal. We still have a lot of areas on the side roads that haven't received work upgrades and we transferred an additional \$35,500.00 to the 2021 budget. Thanks for your support of the ELPOA, we hope for a more normal 2021 and continue to serve you.

	Accounts	2020 December Operating Budget		
Type		Actual YTD	Budget	Balance
NCOME				
	Membership Dues	\$413,744.00	\$404,800.00	-\$8,944.00
	Reserve Transfer - Lake & Dam	\$17,575.00	\$17,575.00	\$0.00
Total		\$431,319.00	\$422,375.00	-\$8,944.00
EXPENSE				
	Payroll Expense	\$113,854.00	\$113,895.00	\$41.00
	Security Expense	\$6,037.00	\$6,200.00	\$163.00
	Building & Grounds Expense	\$96,324.00	\$93,690.00	-\$2,634.00
	Lak e & Dam Expense	\$31,304.00	\$28,575.00	-\$2,729.00
	Road Expense	\$117,878.00	\$103,000.00	-\$14,878.00
	Administration Expense	\$57,498.00	\$74,850.00	\$17,352.00
Total		\$422,895.00	\$420,210.00	-\$2,685.0
	Profit /Loss	\$8,424.00	\$2,165.00	
	Marina	Gas		
	Marina Gas Income	\$37,395.00	\$35,000.00	
	Marina Gas Expense	\$38,527.00	\$35,000.00	
	Total Profit / Loss	-\$1,132.00	\$0.00	
	Citizens Union	Bank Loan		
	Membership Dues - Loan	\$74,900.00	\$73,600.00	
	Miscellaneous Income Transfer	\$45,000.00	\$0.00	
	Road Loan Payment	\$114,794.00	\$69,794.00	
	Available for Loan Payment	\$5,106.00	\$3,806.00	
	Miscellaneou	s Income		
	Miscellaneous Income	\$161,779.00	\$49,750.00	
	Reserve Budget Accounts	\$171,779.00	\$49,750.00	
	Profit / Loss	-\$10,000.00	\$0.00	
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	Income for year	T	\$2,398.00	

Security

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I want to start off by thanking Janetta, John and Ashley for helping to fill in while Tony was off. We have a good group of people working for us at the front gate. I would also like to mention that altering someone's private property or Elk Lake's property (one example by cutting trees and making trails) without permission is not only against Elk Lake rules but illegal. Before you ride and or walk on any property please be sure it's not someone's private property and you aren't trespassing. Just because there are trails on the property doesn't mean it's not private property. With winter upon us snow is always a possibility. If you have an issue with the roads (such as an icy hill) please call the guard house and they will call Bruce (maintenance contractor). Posting on Facebook to pass on information is fine but, to be sure the issue is addressed call the guard house. One last thing. With it being Winter and not as many members using their property we need to look out for one another. Keep a watch on your neighbors property and check on your neighbors especially if they are older. Thank you all for being alert and helpful Elk Lake members. As usual, if you have an issue and are not sure of who to notify call the guard house. They will direct you to the individual that you need to contact.



Janetta New



Tony Sloma



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2021 ELPOA Annual Dues Form

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Important Notices for Members



- Annual Dues invoices are being sent out in January. Each Member is issued 2 automobile stickers upon receipt of annual dues payment unless the annual dues form is completed <u>found on the back of the annual dues invoice</u>. Up to <u>four</u> automobile window stickers are available at no cost for <u>their</u> and <u>Immediate Family's</u> automobiles. If the Member requires more than four stickers there will be a \$10.00 charge for each additional sticker. To receive additional stickers you must list the name and relationship to the member (immediate family only).
- Regular meetings are moved to the third Saturday of the month @ 9a.m. (meeting is "virtual" for board members only)

\$25 monthly fee

Boat/Trailer Storage at Lodge Parking lot

Contact ELPOA office for more details

Parking for day/weekend is allowed

All other boats/trailers will be towed at owner's expense





Important Notices for Members Cont.



- Do NOT park vehicles at the dam unless you are launching a boat which will be taken out the same day (All other vehicles will be towed)
- Lots for Sale! Contact ELPOA Office for pricing & locations
- Reminder: if you have a property improvement permit & your job is complete, please call 502-514-1592 so we can do our inspection and return any road deposit checks
- ELPOA is accepting donations for any area that needs it! Donate to roads, beautification, security, lake & dam, etc. Please contact ELPOA office for additional information
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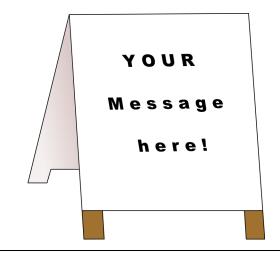
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