



**Board Members Present:** Tom De Santis, Walt Koziol, Gary Webb, Bob Pisoni, Bob Parrett, Patte Day, Jack Butler, Bill Maine, and Carol Webb. Absent: Larry D/Angelo, Lenny Wojewoda, and Joan Cooper. Several residents present.

President Tom De Santis called the meeting to order 7: 10 p.m.

**Minutes:** Walt made a motion to accept the minutes as posted. Seconded by Bob Parrett. Approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Walt reported we received \$7,678.61 from dues and donations, pancake breakfast \$3245, sales of merchandise \$4,697, and home tour \$2,477.94. We paid out \$4,418.80 for merchandise to sell, and misc. expenses for a total of \$5,401.27. Balance on hand is \$36,078.78. The fireworks have to be paid out of this money plus a deposit for 2014. Carol made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Seconded by Patte Day. Approved.

**Home Tour:** Bob Parrett reported that the Home Tour was another great success. Expenses cost \$712 and \$600 was paid by Waterfall Jewelers. Profit was almost \$2,500. We provided plaques for the home owners on the tour.

**Fishing Tournament:** We had 12 boats. Chris felt it was a very successful event. After expenses and prizes, we netted \$25. This was a social event not a fund raiser.

**Membership:** Bill Maine reported we now have 301 paid members! Bob suggested having block captains send in new emails as they get them so we can have them for communications. We have received a lot of Business Donations. Lenny will continue to sell merchandise.

**Fireworks:** There will be 2 barges. They will load up Friday and have security to watch them. Fireworks for 2014 will be on the Saturday before the 4th. Fireworks in 2015 will be on Saturday, July 4th.

**Dredging:** Bill Scanlon is working with Patte Day as co-manager to coordinate with the DNR. Tom, Bob, and Walt met with 7 Harbors residents at their monthly meeting. No one wants the lake spoils near their homes. The site on south beach was used before so we know it would work. The people were told that anything that was broken or damaged would be fixed. It was suggested that pictures be taken of the various areas, drive ways, landscaping, etc., before work begins to keep as a record. If someone volunteers the use of their property, we would probably have fewer problems. Tom De Santis explained to the residents that ALL the people in the SAD district are paying for this dredging project and that the residents of 7 Harbors should appreciate this. They would never be able to fund such a project themselves.

**Water Quality:** Roy Eastham is working with the CLMP group. Michigan State Extension will send a grad student to help identify lake weeds. This will be a big help.

**Sheriff:** We won't get a report until the end of the month. So far, no complaints.

**Fracking:** There was a meeting at Highland Township Hall. Marj Findley arranged to have the DEQ and Oakland County Drain Commission explain their views on fracking. They are on opposite sides of the issue. She did a good job of setting up this meeting. If anyone comes to your home to ask you to sell the mineral rights on your property, you should get an attorney if you are thinking of doing this. There are many potential ramifications of fracking.

Highland Township was asked to declare a moratorium on fracking. They have to make a new proposal. The DEQ didn't think that true hydraulic fracking would be done in Oakland County.

**New Business:** Jim Brown suggested getting 10 buoys with ropes and anchors to mark the sunken island in the lake. The proposed cost of this is \$820. Tom suggested adding \$400 for buoys to mark the shallow spots by the proposed dredging project. There was some discussion as to who would pay for this. Since we have money available, Bob Parrett suggest that the WLCL pay for the buoys. Tom DeSantis made a motion that the WLCL approve \$1,220 for buoys and supplies to mark the sunken island (in White Lake) and the entrance to the dredging project. Seconded by Patte Day. Approved. 5 to 2

**Swans:** Resident, Madeline Craig, wrote a letter to Tom regarding the problems that they are having with swans attacking them this year. Tom asked her to come to the meeting. She feels that these swans have become dangerous to people and many are creating a nuisance. She contacted the DNR. They said the WLCL would have to get a permit to remove the swans and it has to be done in the spring. Patte Day contacted the DNR also. She was told that 70% of lakefront residents would have to approve a swan removal. As a group, we could apply for a permit but there would have to be a public hearing. If approved, swans can be shot. We could hire someone to do this. Also, egg removal in the spring can be done. There is grant money that can be applied for to do this. No one else wants the swans so a round up is not an option. Tom asked Madeline to take over this project and see if we can have someone who knows what to do come to our July meeting.

**Coast Guard inspections:** Patte Day reported that the Coast Guard inspections were very successful. We had 36 boats checked. Only 2 failed.

**Adjournment:** Walt made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Gary. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Webb, Secretary