

**Lee Lake Community Association Meeting Minutes
September 29, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by Mike Grenon.

All elected officers were present except Cindy Arezmendi who Mike Grenon announced had resigned.

Our guest was Brian Huggett, Executive Director Potawatomi Resource Conservation & Development Council.

Brian explained why the CISMA was formed and some the goals of the Barry-Calhoun-Kalamazoo county CISMA.

- Educational outreach
- Early detection and rapid response to invasive species both aquatic and terrestrial
- Find invasive species new to the state

Brian stated that both phragmites and milfoil are detrimental to the natural habitat and the natural animals and plants that inhabit that area.

Brian was asked about how to get funds for attacking these species.

- He mentioned grants and said he was a grant writer and would be willing to help.
 - Grants usually required a percentage of the grant to be funded by the recipient.

The following things can be used toward that.

 - Special assessment monies
 - Volunteer time
 - Money spent on surveys
 - Food donated for volunteers

He was asked about milfoil in the Nottawaseppi drain and how to get it removed. We could possibly team up with the Calhoun County Conservation District.

Minutes

No minutes were available for approval.

Treasurer's Report

Janie presented the treasurer's report. Current checking balance:\$100.00. Current savings report: \$2033.99.

Jack Pyle made a motion to approve report. Diane Inman seconded. All voted to approve the motion.

Nominations of new officers.

Mike thanked Cindy Arezmendi for her service as secretary. Then he opened nominations for new officers.

President

Janet Kincaid nominated Mike Grenon. Chuck Zimmerman seconded. All voted to approve Mike Grenon as president.

Vice President

Mark Walter nominated Mark Casebeer. Larry Vitale seconded. All voted to approve Mark Casebeer as vice president.

Secretary

Lisa Grenon nominated Diane Inman. Jan Kincaid seconded. All voted to approve Diane Inman as secretary.

Treasurer

Connie Zimmerman nominated Janie Evans. Jack Pyle seconded. All voted to approve Janie Evans as treasurer.

Mark Casebeer talked about our need for a Board of Directors. One person from each side of the lake. They would probably meet not more than two times a year.

Lakeside Drive

Tom Constantine nominated Larry Vitale. Earl Kincaid seconded. All voted to approve Larry Vitale.

LauraLee Lane

No nominations.

Clark Rd.

Lisa Grenon nominated Jan Kincaid. Jack Pyle seconded. All voted to approve Jan Kincaid.

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No nominations.

At Large

No nominations.

Nominations closed.

Old business

Restorative Lake Sciences surveyed and sonared the lake on Tuesday September 13. The deepest spot is 49 ft. They also tested water quality and temperatures. The survey took about five hours.

Mike Grenon stated we want to make sure everyone is fully educated before we proceed with a petition.

Mark Casebeer contacted the DNR (Jim O'Brian) about treating the phragmites at the launch site. He has had no response.

Lisa Grenon talked about the picnic. There were about 50 people in attendance. She thanked Mark and Nancy Walter for hosting the event, Carol and Steve Brooks and Jim Mikolajczyk for helping with setup.

New business

Larry Vitale wanted to note the great job done by Cindy Arezmeni as secretary.

Mark Casebeer wanted to know if anyone would like to volunteer to cut phragmites below the water as a test to see if we can flood them out. Brian Huggett said he would assist us if we'd like.

Mike Grenon closed the meeting.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jack Pyle. Seconded by Earl Kincaid. And voted to by all to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.