

Holiday Shores
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: March 11, 2015

Attendance

Board Members

Present: Dave Decker, Rich Hertel, Roger Rawson, Monte Thus, Gary Kluckman, Darren Onwiler and Alan Huelsmann

Quorum Present: Yes

Others Present

Angie Webster, Rob Frey, and Brandy Pickett from the Holishor Office.

Holishor Members Present: 10

Proceedings

Meeting called to order at 7:32 PM

Pledge of Allegiance Recited

Minutes of February 11' 2015

Darren Onwiler: Motions. **Alan Huelsmann:** Seconds.

Action: Motion Approved

Minutes of February 25, 2015

Roger Rawson: Motions. **Alan Huelsmann:** Seconds.

Action: Motion Approved

Transfers of Property

5 new property transfers of which 4 were new members and initiated new member fees.

Bills and Salaries

Darren Onwiler: motions **Rich Hertel:** seconds.

Action: Approved.

Treasury Report

Monte Thus: The current balance on the North property is \$176,225.19. From the Bills and Salaries, half of the money spent was to one item for \$50,046.00, which was to Bullis & Sundberg Ins. That is our liability insurance for Holiday Shores. **Dave Decker:** We have two things coming up. We have talked about re-evaluating what our interest payment was going to be at the end of the year; the other is that we have a by-law that states we will do a review of the finances on a quarterly basis which is coming up at end of this month.

Roger Rawson: Motions to accept as submitted **Darren Onwiler:** Seconds

Action: Approved

Profit and Loss

Information Only

Managers' Report

Read by Rich Hertel.

Safety Report

Read by Rich Hertel

Total Incidents is 19. Animal 1, Vehicle 11, Property incidents 1, Incidents involving persons 3, Alarm responses 2 and other incidents 1. **Darren Onwiler:** I would like to address that 9 of the 11 citations that were given were warnings due to residents leaving their vehicles on the roads when they were to be snow plowed.

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Correspondence

Report from Gerry Theodore with the Building Committee:

We cared for 4 items at the February 17th meeting. One permit for a shed and one permit for a porch was given. One permit for a garage was put on hold until next meeting for more information and one permit for a shed was closed with a forfeit of refund.

Letter from Jason Head

Jason Head forwards a letter to the Board of Directors asking for rental and cleaning fees of the ballroom to be waived. The Ballroom would be used for a benefit on May 23, 2015. The benefit will be to help offset medical bills and such for a 43 year member who is going through some difficult procedures.

Dave Decker: This is only to waive the rental fee and cleaning fee, you are responsible to pay all other fees and clean-up to satisfaction.

Rich Hertel: Motions. **Darren Onwiler:** Seconds.

Action: Motion Approved.

Letter from Ben Kelley with the Boating Committee:

Ben Kelley forwarded a letter to the board of directors to make the following recommendations for the IDNR boating regulations. One, we would like to have the office provide a handout with the boat sticker informing the members of the new State requirements of the Orange Flag Law and the new changes in the DUI Law. Second, also would like the board to consider making a change to the Holiday Shores Boating Rules and Regulations. We would like the following paragraph to appear under the heading of Water Skiing: The operator of any watercraft that is towing a person or persons shall display on the watercraft a bright or brilliant orange flag measuring not less than 12 inches per side. The flag shall be displayed at the highest point of the area surrounding the boats helm to be visible from all direction, continuously, while the person/persons being towed depart the boat in preparation for towing and until reentry into the boat when the activity has been ceased. Display of the flag for purposes other than the activity described in this section is prohibited. Third, we would also like to request permission from the board, that there to be a legible sign installed at the Marina that reads; Driving any watercraft under the influence is against state law and can result in felony charges.

Dave Decker: I am going to move old business IL State Boating Flag Rule up to the top and we can discuss this now. I know the board made the recommendation for the Boating Committee and the Public Safety Committee to get together under Monte's recommendation. I would like to discuss these three recommendations with the board and come to a resolution tonight, considering we are at the end of March and some folks already have boat stickers. **Roger Rawson:** I am in agreement with all three. **Rich Hertel:** Ben can you tell me how these were voted on and how they passed? **Ben Kelley:** All three of these recommendations were motions made by the committee, voted on and seconded. Glenn Dalton wanted us to meet to discuss DUI and orange flag. **Dave Decker:** How many from committee are in this room tonight? **Ben Kelley:** 4 are here tonight but only three were present, Monte was not at the meeting. Three others were there that are not on the board. **Dave Decker:** So there are 4 Boating Committee members in this room now and 3 are on the board? **Ben Kelley:** When voted on, it was a unanimous vote on all three issues. **Dave Decker:** For Item two, is this the actual state verbiage? **Ben Kelley:** When we voted, it was voted to be the actual state verbiage. **Ben Kelley:** I am not positive if this is a direct verbiage. **Dave Decker:** I do not think that we need to put anything into our boating laws unless it is the exact verbiage. **Darren Onwiler:** I would agree with that. Those are the laws that we are supporting so the verbiage should be identical. **Dave Decker:** If this is voted on tonight, I want this to be exactly what the state says. **Roger Rawson:** As far as recommendation 1 and 3, I think this is in particular to the DUI portion. It results in very strict penalties, and point against your driving license. **Rich Hertel:** According to public safety, we do not have updated information from the IDNR website. **Dave Decker:** The first recommendation was for office staff to hand out a pamphlet and according to you Rich, it has not yet been created? Are we planning to hand out something until that is updated? Who will create and approve that?

Rich Hertel: Makes a motion to follow the number 1 recommendation and the one sticker rule. **Roger Rawson:** seconds.

Motion carries.

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Ben Kelley will create the hand out to be given out with boating stickers. Monte Thus and Rich Hertel, will approve, revise and make changes if necessary. Motion carries, and a flier will be handed out this year.

Item two - for a recommendation to amend the boating rule. **Dave Decker:** We have a rule and it says that if we are changing a rule, then it needs a motion, a second and let it sit sometime and then it's voted on. This is disqualified as an emergency because it is state law. The other part of the rule is, we have it on paper submitted to us. I will accept this as being in front of us with the qualifier that it matched the state. **Rich Hertel:** Would we need to come back in front of the board or could Monte and I approve this? **Dave Decker:** you will need to bring this back and present to the board.

Darren Onwiler: I would like to make a motion to start the clock on this. **Roger Rawson:** Seconds.

Motion Carries

Item three - for the sign. **Darren Onwiler:** would like to see if the state already has some type of signage. **Dave Decker:** the Public safety will reach out to IDNR. What are the thoughts from the board on where to post this sign. Discussion among the board members leads to the Marina Ramp for placement of the sign.

Darren Onwiler: makes a motion to install a sign informing of DUI. **Alan Huelsmann:** Seconds

Covenant Affirmation

We are working on getting the revised spread sheet that tracks on actual lots owned, versus joined lots. We are very close. We have folks that have resigned the additional lots.

Restaurant Update

We were just notified that the restaurant will open for business Saturday, March 14th at 5:00 P.M and will be catering the St. Patrick's Day Dinner on March 13th 2015.

Port Lane Drainage- Update

No update

Barge Utilization –

Dave Decker: I get the sense that the board is in favor with the barge rules and we have yet to speak with the Marina. We are going to move this to the next agenda.

Rich Hertel: Could we approve the rules for now? We have been talking about this since November. As for speaking with the marina, the family that owns the Marina is out of town to my knowledge. So this may need to be a conference call made to them. I think that any board members that would like to attend the conference call should do so. **Dave Decker:** We have not started the clock on the Barge Rules. We could start the clock on the approval of the rules.

Rich Hertel Motion to approve the barge rules **Roger Rawson:** Seconds

Motion Carries.

2016 Proposed Budget.

Dave Decker: A Minimum Wage Draft was included in your packet of proposed ballot along with two additional ballots on the minimum wage with revisions from finance meeting. The other is the same but reformatted with an example. At the last meeting we voted on the additional ballot with two options. Option one was those falling below the increase would receive the increase with no impact on association dues or membership. Option two was for an increase for all hourly employees based on .25 increments. There would be an increase in membership of \$4.00 for the year. The actual verbiage is included in the ballot. **Darren Onwiler:** I recommend the ballot with explanations would be the best to hand out.

Dave Decker: Option 1 - explained. Option 2 - All hourly will receive the increase in \$.25 increments to the minimum wage that is in effect. The increase in member ship for 2016 will increase by \$4.00. If increased to \$10.00 per hour for full year the impact to assessments would be \$28.00. Below Option 1 and 2 on the ballots you will vote option 1 or 2.

Morning Glory Gate

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Morning glory gate had an inspection during the last draw down and it was recommended to be replaced. There is some leakage; the reserve fund does have the money for this project in reserve.

Seawall Construction Requirements

Roger Rawson: The recommendations came out of the Lakes and Dams Committee and Building Committee several years ago. There are no building standard for seawalls, and believes that there should be. Some of the seawalls that are being built are very detrimental to our water quality out here as far as surface water quality. On the main part of the lake, the straight seawalls are creating such a bath tub affect that it is creating a much rougher lake than it should be. Some people have built seawalls that are only inches above normal pool, and then complain when boat wakes are breaking over their seawall, even after the restrictions have been placed on boat wakes. We need to look at this and believe we need to come up with a building rule to address these issues. **Dave Decker:** If I remember correctly, in that proposal they had recommended “recommendations” as opposed to rules, and they actually had some established items in there. One of which was that the height of the seawall was to be 1 ½ foot above the no wake level, or basically 2 ft. **Roger Rawson:** For wake areas, seawalls should be 2 feet above the no wake level. **Darren Onwiler:** While I agree with Roger that the vertical seawalls are contributing to the roughness of the lake, we run a very risky thing of implementing a rule on seawall height. **Roger Rawson:** If we could implement this it would be required on all new seawalls or rebuilds that once this is approved that this is the standard. On existing seawalls, get rip rap out in front of it, maybe put a ten year time line on this. **Monte Thus:** This is my situation. I probably have one of the lowest lots out here and I have rip rap. If I had to raise my wall up 2 ½ feet, my seawall will then be higher than my yard. Then I would have to tier my yard down, because if the water came over wall it would run towards my house. **Darren Onwiler:** If you were to put it on all new construction, most lake front lots out here are already built upon and have walls in place. Repairs of seawalls, by mandating this, the cost for most individuals is going to be very high, net result of this will be that people will not redo their seawalls because of the cost. **Roger Rawson:** If you don’t start somewhere, you never going to end up at a point where you getting somewhere. We are falling farther and farther behind on even stopping this. **Dave Decker:** Feels that very specific items need to be targeted, and a specific end result. I wouldn’t recommend us creating a rule that we know that we are going to turn around and start making variances for right off the bat. If you are going to get to the point of where you want a set seawall heights, you are almost need to do a survey of the lake and say this area needs to be X, this area needs to be Y, etc. **Alan Huelsmann:** Do you want to make it a recommendation or a requirement. **Rich Hertel:** Passes out a picture. This picture shows where his dock the dotted line is 33 inches off of the water, which is how high I would have to raise my seawall from my dock. I don’t see how you can put a boat at a dock, when it is 33 inches about the water, almost three feet. We have 110 fixed seawalls on the main channel, 55 rip rap. To recommend at the time for redo, just for me alone that would be a lot of work and expense. Most of these homes have been on this lake for 50 years. We have had seawalls and did a major beautification project in the 1990’s. Everybody wanted fixed seawalls and that was the way to go. We have had a new boating activity on the lake since early 2000 which has caused some of these discussions. It seems like an awful expense to impose on someone to have to raise docks and seawalls. **Roger Rawson:** We have had to create a rule for boats, because people don’t want to have to do anything with their seawalls, but yet they want to complain about it, we are on the water to boat. These straight seawalls are creating a much rougher lake, which creates a problem for everyone. **Dave Decker:** The idea of raising the required minimum seawall height to basically 2 feet 9 inches about full pool on wake areas doesn’t sound like it has much traction here. **Darren Onwiler:** I would support a recommendation on seawall heights. **Gary Kluckman:** What are you going to accomplish from the level that they are now to the height you want to go? What is it going to do? **Roger Rawson:** It keeps the back wash, when the waves break over someone’s seawall it creates a whole bunch of water on the landside of the seawall creates, backwash and under wash. Some people have complained about, which is because their seawalls were poorly constructed in the first place. **Gary Kluckman:** I have been on board for 6 years, and have never heard one person come up here and say, I need to build my seawall higher because I am getting back wash or wash out. **Roger Rawson:** No, they are complaining about boat wave action, because their seawalls are not high enough. They have created their own problem, and want someone to fix it, when it’s their own negligence. Need to adapt to conditions **Rich Hertel:** I wouldn’t say that people who have had their seawalls for 30 years have created their own problem. I think a situation has occurred and there is a problem getting both to work together for a peaceful solution. **Roger Rawson:** Rip rap in front of seawall, the recommendation that all seawalls be constructed of soil cloth and rip rap or baskets and build on a slant. Recommended rip rap size is R4. The degree of slant would still

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need additional study. So even if you have a vertical seawall, then put rip rap in appropriate places to create a wake break. **Dave Decker:** So would the requirement be that the seawall either be built at a slant or that a breaker system is installed? **Darren Onwiler:** Again, I would support a recommendation. **Monte Thus:** Rip rap is probably the way to go, however some people out here have vertical seawalls and some areas are deep it would take a lot of rip rap and expense. **Gary Kluckman:** Let's talk about my property. There is no way I would ever put rip rap there with the waves I get. Talk about back wash and erosion problems, I have a straight wall. Rip Rap doesn't always break the waves; it does still come up over the rip rap. **Roger Rawson:** All the straight seawalls have gone in and they have detrimental damage to the lake and this problem was created by the people who put in straight seawalls. **Ben Kelley (1824):** I live right across from here on the point. The boats come around at full speed. I have an entire rip rap seawall and it is amazing to watch the boats come through and how the waves die on that rock, but on a straight seawall that wave hits and shoots straight up. Need to observe how different seawalls are. **Dave Decker:** We need to start going through this and go through each piece separately. Roger Rawson was asked to pick two topics for the next meeting.
Conversation ensues

Open Floor

Joe Roth (1030): Roger, try and be more diplomatic because just for the future, because when you say the people who have created the problem, the ones that complain. When I moved out here I had a floating boat dock, and the waves became so bad, before it even reached the wall of rip rap. The waves would almost throw people off of my dock that is why we went to the straight up and down wall, so we didn't create the problem, so it must have been those boats causing the big waves that would almost throw people off the dock, so be careful pointing fingers. **Roger Rawson:** Responds that before they were all slanted walls, so anyone putting in a straight wall reverberates wake.

Dave Decker: Basically we are talking about two separate things. We are talking about the generation of wake and how big the wake is when it is coming off. And we are also talking about the reverberation of it. Just keep that in mind

Jeanine Votruba (493): Calls for Candidates. For those that have picked up packets, please get those turned back in. I have one candidate. Meet the Candidate night is April 17th. The last date for applying is April 6th.

Dave Decker: Motions to move to Executive Session

Rich Hertel Motions, **Alan Huelsmann** seconds.

Executive Session

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Meeting minutes submitted by Rich Hertel.