

HLPS Board of Directors
Minutes of June 10th, 2014 Meeting

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. **Secretary's Report:** Motion to approve by Mark Otto, Seconded by Jim Clark. Approved
2. **Treasurer's Report:** Submitted by Kathy McGill. Read and approved by the membership.
3. **Membership Report:** Ginny Hluchan and Judy Thorp used to be on this committee. It has been reformed with Ginny Hluchan, Jim Clark, and Kathy McGill. There are 212 paid members as of June 10. This number seems low for this time of year. Kent Gage said that some members only renew every other year. Ginny requested that we put a complete application in with the June Currents newsletter. We also need a post card mailer to announce the annual meeting and to indicate that the first 100 paid members will be free. We also need a letter (flyer) with a notice that a person's membership dues are paid up until _____Date. Kathy will take care of this.
4. **Water Quality Committee Report:** Lynn Hoepfinger reported that the committee has been very busy this year. The lake temperature jumped up very early. It is now 63 degrees but seems to have stabilized.

Wayne Anderson has been doing some macro-invertebrate studies in the Sable River. Preliminary results seem to show lower than normal numbers. We also need to conduct these studies in some of the feeder streams to the Sable.
5. **Fish – Walleye Report:** Mark Otto gave the Board a written report from Dick Todd who was unable to make the meeting. The DNR brought 336,000 fry this year. (See attached report).
6. **Algae Committee:** Lynn Hoepfinger mentioned the algae committee has met this spring. We have determined where most of our phosphorus is coming from with respect to inflowing streams and tributaries.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Update on this year's fireworks:** Kent Gage said all is going well for this year, but we have only collected about half of the money needed for next year. This year's display will be on Saturday July 5, 2014 with a rain date of Sunday July 6. Kent also cautioned that we should start thinking about next year's display. We normally hold our display on the Saturday nearest July 4th, but next year that Saturday will be July 4th. This would mean competing with Ludington and surrounding communities. How do we want to handle this?
2. **Annual Dinner:** Bruce Pelletier mentioned this will be on Friday night, August 8th. The first 100 fully paid members will be admitted free. It was decided that we will take reservations by email to allow us to make a return confirmation or reservation comment. There was a lot of discussion as to how many family members could attend with each guest. It was decided that a member could only registered 2 people for the free dinner. Additional guests (non-dues paying) would be allowed, but the member would be required to pay for those guests.
3. **Hamlin Lake Cottage:** Ginny Hluchan said they are a little behind because some of the original logs were badly deteriorated and needed to be replaced.
4. **Victory Township Park Improvements:** Wayne Anderson met with Barry Peterman recently. They were going to put an additional launch ramp to the East but decided to have 1 large ramp instead. They need to revise their drawing and resubmit it to the DNR. The seawall is going in now, but it is a long process.

Jim Clark proposed that HLPS consider concrete logs for all boat launches on Hamlin Lake. This would help stabilize erosion. The cost would be about \$3,000 per boat launch. This cost does not include installation. Maybe we could do one or two at a time. Discussion on this issue but no support.

NEW BUSINESS:

Tasks to be completed for annual dinner:

1. Announcements – Kathy McGill will send out a post card announcement to paid members.

2. Member reservations: This will also be handled by Kathy. Registration will be by Email only.
3. Food and beverages – Bruce and Ruth will handle this assignment. Ruth will take care of place settings.
4. Program topics and presenters – Wayne Anderson will talk with Jim Gallie to see if he or a duly authorized State Park representative would talk about current and future plans for the State Park and surrounding area.

MEMBER CONCERNS:

1. Ginny Hluchan proposed HLPS award a \$1,500 scholarship to a student working in the environmental sciences area at a 4-year university. There was some discussion on this issue but no consensus was reached. We need further discussion.
2. Alison Puffer requested we do something to update the 3 bulletin boards that are located around the lake. She and Ruth will come up with some ideas.
3. Wayne Anderson proposed that we have a 50/50 raffle at our annual dinner to help support next year's fireworks.

NEXT MEETING: The next board meeting will be held at 6:30 PM on Tuesday August 19, 2014 at Hamlin Township Hall. Refreshments will be provided by Ruth.

Kent Gage moved to adjourn and Lynn Hoepfinger seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM