

Hemlock Lake Home Owners Association Meeting

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A meeting of the Hemlock Lake Home Owner's association was called to order at 7:03 September 5, 2020 via Zoom. Roll was taken as members entered into the meeting. We had 16 members present which constituted a quorum. Michele Bennett read the minutes from the last meeting on July 4, 2020 Trish Primis motioned to accept the minutes and Ruth Bruns seconded the motion, all were in favor.

Joanna welcomed Danielle and Leslie Arcuri they purchased a property on Hemlock drive. Edger's house was sold to Brendon O'Tool but she did not have a chance to welcome them yet.

Joanna read the financial report in the Checking is \$11,751.71 EAP savings \$7,978.56 Savings \$20,064.21 all bills are paid. Trish Primis motioned to accept the minutes and Nadia Soloukhina seconded the motion, all were in favor.

Old business:

The lake we have had a year with clean flow, she has had multiple conversations with Brian regarding the color, smell and the plant growth. They will be coming out in October to do the sonar depth measurement we have had the aerators on for a year now. He will be doing another assessment as well. She went into details regarding the e-coli numbers. We only had the issue of high numbers for one week. The lake is tested regularly during the summer months only by the beach area as that is where people bathe at. We have asked people to make sure that their septic and cesspools are in good working order

so that does not leach into the lake. She had a call from the department of health with concerns regarding swimming in the lake. However we are listed as a bathing lake not swimming, so we do not need to get clearance from the department of health. As long as e-coli numbers are under 300 we are OK to bathe there, if the numbers are higher then it will be posted on Facebook to stop folks from bathing. The brown color is the the algae that has died. The clarity is getting better. The pipe inspection will be ready tomorrow, John and Joanna will be diving in the morning for this. The Pavilion area, the steps are completed but we are still having an issue with water run off from all around. The drains were re-fabricated and lowered. Jason has been watching this, he is working on a plan to try and re-route the water from the beach area to other directions. The directory is finalized, we are working on getting that sent out, but we will want to add the new members.

We will continue using zoom, this will be our method of communication going forward until the COVID restrictions are lifted. With this being a holiday weekend we were hoping to have the band play, but cannot due to COVID restrictions. Also please be sure to clean up after yourselves and guests, remove your garbage when done in the common areas.

Something we have not seen in a while are gypsy moths, the large white netting looking things that are in the trees. Some folks have called to ask if these can kill their trees. If it is small, just clip it out of the tree and place in soapy water to kill it.

The rules are completed but there were issues at the printer so we could not distribute yet. They were going to be handed out this weekend but we were unable to get them yet. They will be mailed out next week at some time once the printer opens again. If you have

any modifications to these rules, please submit the modifications in writing to the board.

Leslie will be doing haircuts at the Pavilion tomorrow around 10:00. We have had concerns regarding ATVs no helmets, and going fast in the common areas. Our roads follow the rules of the state. Any vehicle on our roads must be registered if you are driving an ATV, you must have a helmet on. No one under 16 should be driving a golf cart. Please make sure that your children are safe.

We are going to start the meetings at 10am instead of 7pm next year. That information will be sent out in the newsletter over the winter.

Down in the hollow 124 Creek Road there is an auction sign out. That is going up for auction on October 24, there is a walk through on the 19th if anyone is interested. Joanna spoke with the auction company regarding parking, that was discussed to ease congestion.

There were a lot of projects done this year, thank you to all that helped out with them. Some were planting done by Nadia, the stairs from the Pavilion to the beach had a large crew that handles that. We are set up for snow removal with John Lynn. With the lake, the BOD decided to have eco solutions to do an environmental evaluation. We are considering adding a-sexual carp to the lake to eat the plant life that is causing issues. That should be completed this coming week.

Q/A

Dianne Hamilton: Bacteria notification, she said that she was not aware of the issue. She does not go to the beach side, just the dock side. She also saw some people in tubes in the lake. She is looking for a non electronic way to pass the information along. She personally is not on Facebook or the website.

There was a sign posted on the dam, but then it was removed when the bacteria was not an issue. The greatest risk is at the beach area, not the dam side. Perhaps we could come out with a text or email chain or place a bigger sign out there. Danielle Arcuri suggested a call tree also for those who do not text or email. Sofia Udivinko also suggested hanging a red flag at the Pavilion/Beach area when you cannot swim. Joanna asked for volunteers to take care of the flag. Danielle volunteered to make a flag.

Dianne also asked about the potholes. She said that on Hemlock Drive from before Mark Ackerman's house out to Bear Road is being forgotten about and that the stop sign still has the graffiti on it and the Hemlock Drive sign is bent. These are roads that are being used by delivery drivers on a daily basis. Mark said that the large pot hole was fixed by Teddy. Dianne feels that her road is neglected. Joanna explained that we are working on the roads as quickly as possible, that road is on the list, we are doing our best, we do need items brought to our attention that need to be addressed, thank you.

Dianne also has ideas for fund raisers that she would like to bring to Joanna's attention. That will be discussed off line.

Judi Guthsteson suggested that we do a \$25.00 addition to dues for the AED. Currently the AEDs seem to have doubled in price, we are trying to find one that is used so maybe we could get something less expensive. Dianne is going to see if she can get us a contact for purchase and training of the AED.

Do we have a first aid kit on site? Yes we do, there is one in the Pavilion. But we do need a new one. That will be ordered and installed.

John Karcher motioned to adjourn the meeting and Angie Mangino seconded the motion. All were in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm

Respectfully submitted,

Joanna Valentine

President