

**Miner Lake Property Owners Association
Fall Meeting
September 4, 2021**

The fall meeting of the Miner Lake Property Owners Association was held on Saturday, September 4, 2021, at the Allegan Township Hall.

Call to Order: President Sam Martin called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. There were 38 guests and 4 officers present.

Minutes of Spring Meeting: Minutes of the May 29, 2021 spring meeting were available at the end of the meeting for residents to take and review.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Helen Setter presented the following balances:

General Fund	\$11,489.53
East End Fund	1,764.77
Sewer Fund	<u>10.00</u>
_ Total	\$13,264.30

Agenda: Topics for discussion are: Invasive Weed Treatment, Miner Lake Sewer Study, Election of Officers and Improvement Board Renewal 2022-2026.

Invasive Weed Treatment: President Martin explained that the water quality of Miner Lake is governed by the five member Miner Lake Improvement Board, consisting of one member from the Allegan County Commission, one member from the Miner Lake Property Owners Association, one member from the Allegan Township Board, one member-at-large, and the County Drain Commissioner. Progressive AE was hired to perform the water quality assessments from 2014 to 2019 funded by assessments on Miner Lake parcels. President Martin gave a history of the assessments in the last several years. Since there were funds left, invasive plants were treated during the summer of 2021 by PLM Lake and Land Management Corporation which was discussed at the spring meeting on May 29, 2021. The treatments were considered very successful. Sam reminded the members that there is a meeting of the Miner Lake Improvement Board following the current meeting and encouraged members to attend.

Jerry Young stated that a sewer system seems to help with the weed problem which the Improvement Board recommends.

Jim Wendt expressed concerns about the safety of the chemicals regarding swimming, herbicides, etc.

Several other members made comments about the benefits of sewer and expressed concerns about the chemicals used in the summer treatments.

Report was given on the September 1, 2021 review of drainage district boundaries for Miner Lake and Branch Drain. The estimated assessment amount is \$10.00 per parcel which will appear on the December property tax statement.

Sewer Study: President Martin reviewed the survey which was sent to residents stating that 70% are in favor of pursuing the possibility of sewer around Miner Lake. The only firm which has stayed in touch with the township and association is Fleis & VandenBrink. The township is favorable toward the sewer project but needs to know what the Miner Lake property owners desire. Several questions were asked regarding the cost to each property owner, year round/seasonal residents, time frame of the project, route and type of system. Numbers will not be available until late November/early December. Information will be posted on the Miner Lake website. President Martin stated that state law does require hook up and all must pay the full price. Grants or other ways to fund the project are not guaranteed. Prices are set as a community. On site treatment plant would be built near Miner Creek. More information will be coming.

Election of Officers: President Martin named the officers and stated that Secretary/Treasurer Helen Setter has resigned. Tom Slocum has expressed an interest in the position.

Tom Slocum nominated Sam Martin for the position of President for a two year term, seconded by Sally Gant. Motion carried.

Helen Setter nominated Tom Slocum for the position of Secretary/Treasurer for a two year term, seconded by Joyce Merrill. Motion carried.

Sam Martin nominated Joyce Merrill for the position of Assistant Secretary/Treasurer for a two year term, seconded by Kim Shelansky. Motion carried.

The position of Vice-President is open. Bob Flach was nominated by Steve Reynolds, but Mr. Flach declined the nomination. Since there is no current interest in the position, Tom Slocum agreed to serve in the position.

Improvement Board Renewal: President Martin explained the Hearing of Practicability and Hearing of Assessment which will begin at 10:00 a.m. A five year improvement project for Miner Lake beginning in 2022 and continuing through 2026 will be discussed with an annual budget of \$50,000. Members are encouraged to attend the hearing.

Adjournment: Motion was made by Tom Slocum and seconded by Sam Martin to adjourn the meeting at 9:27 a.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Merrill
Assistant Secretary/Treasurer