

**Miner Lake Property Owners Association
Fall Meeting
September 2, 2023**

The fall meeting of the Miner Lake Property Owners Association was held on Saturday, September 2, 2023, at the Allegan Township Hall.

Call to Order: President Sam Martin called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. There were 54 in attendance. Happy Labor Day weekend.

Minutes of Spring Meeting: Copies of the minutes of the spring meeting on May 27, 2023, were available for review. Motion was made by Slocum and seconded by Mitchell to accept and approve the 2023 spring meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Tom Slocum presented the following report:

Balance, 5-27-23, all funds	\$13,738.12
Deposits	<u>560.00</u>
Total Available	14,298.12
Expenses	
Postage	288.00
Web support	285.00
Projector	<u>635.99</u>
Total expenses	1,208.99
Balance, 9-2-23	\$13,089.13

President Martin reported that there is over \$97,000 in the Miner Lake Improvement Board account.

Agenda: The following topics were presented and discussed:

Election of Officers: President Martin stated that the offices of Vice-President and Assistant Secretary/Treasurer need to be elected. Motion was made by Martin and seconded by Merrill that Dee Mitchell be elected to the office of Vice-President. Motion carried. Motion was made by Martin and seconded by Merrill

that Tom Slocum be elected to the office of Assistant Secretary/Treasurer. Motion carried.

Miner Lake T-Shirts: Teresa Creech showed a t-shirt which had been designed with a map of the lake on the front. She presented details on how to purchase the item. More information will be on the Miner Lake website.

Water Quality Report: President Martin gave an update and review of the monitoring of the lake water quality. He also reviewed the lake classifications and treatments. Bob Flach and Frank and Kim Shelansky are volunteers who have collected various samples. Sam reminded the residents that the association paid for their training and will pay for any training required for other volunteers. Bob Flach gave a report on his findings, stating that the lake water has been more clear this year probably due to the lack of rain. There were 124 locations of measurement. Sam then showed what plants are in the lake and stated that there is a good healthy mix of plants around the lake. All information can be found on the Miner Lake website.

July 4th Events: The pontoon parade held at 10:00 a.m. on July 3 was a success with 16 boats participating. There were some suggesting that 11:00 a.m. might be a better time. There was also discussion on whether to have cash prizes next year. A suggestion of having a travel trophy with name of the winner was made and well received. Motion was made by Dee Mitchell and supported by Tom Slocum to adopt having a trophy for the winner in the future. Motion carried. The time of the parade will be discussed further in the future.

The fireworks on the evening of July 3 were also a great success with many positive comments. Sam reminded the residents that the association does not sponsor the event. A friend of a resident planned and presented the fireworks show. It was agreed to have the event again next year at the same location which worked well. Residents can donate to help with the expenses to a Venmo account which will be provided.

Boating Safety Concerns: Sam reminded residents of staying 100 feet from shore when pulling tubers, wakeboarders etc. Several expressed displeasure that boaters were not responsible for their wake which caused various incidents. Bob

Flach was concerned about seawalls. There was considerable discussion about the need for a parking spot at the boat launch for law enforcement due to violations. There was also discussion on other launch sites.

Sewer Project Update: Sam gave a recap of the sewer project. He reviewed the timeline and funding options. He anticipated more progress at this point. However, the City of Allegan has refused to provide sewer service to Miner Lake unless the Township adopts the City's Sewer Ordinance which states that everyone in the Township that is within 200 feet of a sewer or water line will need to hook up. This would involve about 20-25 homes. Allowing Miner Lake to install a sewer system would guarantee 250 properties and bring revenue to the City. The Township is not in favor of placing a financial burden on residents who have working septic systems and wells. Jim Connell, member of the Township Board, gave an update on the township position and the City Council. The Township will be putting something together for the City Council stating the position of the township. Sam stated that this matter will move forward respectfully, and he will have more information on the website when available.

Adjournment: On motion by Tom Slocum and support by Dee Mitchell, the meeting adjourned at 9:46 a.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Merrill
Assistant Secretary/Treasurer