

Paulinskill Lake Association
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Board Meeting Minutes
Zoom
Wednesday, November 10, 2021
7:00 PM

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Roll Call :

x	Scott Douglas President	x	Tom Williver Vice President	x	Pati Grablutz Corr Sec	x	Linda McSweeney Financial Secretary
ab	Joe Staugaard Treasurer	x	MaryAnne Choma Recording Secretary	x	Watson Perigo Roads & Trustee 1	x	Dave Williams Entertainment & Trustee 2
x	Rob Herbison Buildings/Grounds & Trustee 3	x	Suzanne Troiano Membership & Trustee 4	x	Cindy Tracey Environment & Trustee 5	-	Beaches/Rec & Trustee 6

Also present: Courtney Tormey, Vince Troiano

Approval of Minutes – Correct spelling of Patti’s name. Motion to approve Tracey, second Rob. Watson - abstained. Minutes approved.

Public Comments

- Scott introduced Courtney Tormey who is interested in the open trustee seat for beaches committee chairperson. Her application was shared last month. Teacher, 4 kids, love where we live. Excited to potentially serve on Board.

Reports of Officers, Committees, and Board of Trustees

VP

- Boating courses stoked on dock at beach 2 to go back in
- Blair is taking the dock out and it is on the beach. They will stack platforms in beach 1 parking lot behind the shed so not an eyesore.
 - Q - configuration of dock for next year. A - Elevate walkover to prevent collection area
 - What if move ramp higher up and make an L and bring the dock in closer.
 - Cleats to tie up and use their doc?
 - Buoys - need to buy 5 to 8 center line buoys. Round orange ones. 2 Start and 2 stop replaced. No wake buoys. Buoys appear black in the evening light due to damage and age.
 - Buoys to put flags for no wake days.
 - Prelight LED christmas tree out in water for holiday decor this year.

Treasurer

- **Current cash balances:**
- Operating account: \$56,532.59
- Capital: \$123,733.59 (does not include \$6,600.00 that was transferred to account on 11/7 for 2021 Q3 IMFs)
- Dam: \$8,698.80
- Shared Reserve: \$163,761.39
 - Questions offered, Linda motion. Rob second. Report approved.
- **Income:**
- Dues: this is from moving dues collected in 2020 for 2021 to 2021. This will be done again this year and will not show such a variance going forward)
- Townships Snow Reimbursement: \$24,549 v \$50,668 due to lower snow
- Expenses:
- Corporate Taxes / Reports: \$20,278 v \$1,667 was from 2020 income. This variance was addressed by adjusting the shared reserve transfer since the taxes were for 2020.
- Payroll Taxes: \$5,339 v \$1,833. This seems high as a percentage of Wages and should be looked into.

Fin Sec

- Deposits reviewed. Only 1 IMF. Snow reimbursements included from both Hampton and Stillwater.
- Dues going out w/cover letter explaining new badges.
- Linda will email a cover letter to us for our reference.

Corresponding Sec

- Quiet. A few emails from people looking into the community.

Recording Sec

- Practice for posting minutes
 - Recording secretary & corresponding secretary vet prior to posting
 - Delete info instead of blacking it out for best privacy
 - Corresponding secretary posts
 - I should update posted mins from 2021 with better redactions and have them reposted? Yes.
 - May is last month min are posted
- [shared Google drive](#) - MaryAnne to share actual amounts instead of the link. MaryAnne to use the recording secretary's drive as the "main storage" for the Board. Let us try this organization out and see how it goes. Currently Zoho is not user friendly and we are not housing all docs in one location.

Membership

- Non members - 4 on Vail. 2 on Newton Swartwood Rd. 6 in total. One family said no they do not want to become PLA members. 2 said yes and want to know more! others Suzanne has not connected with yet.
- Suzanne made a list of Membership Benefits to discuss with the handful of homeowners who are not (yet) part of the PLA to assess their interest in becoming a member.
 - PLA Membership Benefits (\$625/yr annual dues)
 - · Year-Round recreation programs for both children and adults
 - o Swimming
 - o Tennis
 - o Yoga on the Beach
 - o Craft Fairs
 - · Community recreational areas:
 - o Basketball Court
 - o Picnic Areas
 - o Baseball field (available for private party usage)
 - o Volleyball Court
 - o Horse shoe pit
 - o Children's Playground
 - o Tennis /Pickle Ball Court
 - · Maintained and staffed beaches & facilities
 - o Beach 1 (near tennis courts and playground)
 - o Beach 2 (near Boat Ramp)
 - o Beach 3: kayak seasonal storage and launch

- · Access to the beach via free beach passes (for all household family members) and up to 6 guest badges (\$3 ea)
- · Access to the boat launch lock code for boating, canoeing, water skiing (seasonal sticker for vessel provided with official PLA boat registration)
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- · Attendance/entrance at all Lake Events:
 - o Pumpkin Float
 - o Visit with Santa/Tree lighting
 - o Easter Egg Hunt
 - o July 4th Boat Parade and BBQ
 - o Music on the Beach
 - o Chili & Cookie Cook Off
- · Attendance at all PLA monthly meetings (if in good standing)
- · Voting rights at the Annual PLA meeting in September (2 votes per household)
- · Option to volunteer/apply to be part of the PLA Board or become a Trustee and make a difference in the community
- · Access to PLA Text Messaging Service Alerts & Member Update emails from the President of the PLA
- · Welcome Kit & Wine

Grounds

- Rob spoke to Matt at County. Gabion baskets that hold rocks along shore line are broken.
- Graffiti pics - port a john fence, step,
- Matt from the county explained - Foot bridge under the roadway from the ballfield to the dam - It was done when the road was widened by state. When project of road was done, it was handed down to county. The footbridge from the underpass by the waterway over to the ballpark is deteriorating. The railings are not to code. When replaced, we can do the same way since being “replaced”. Who is responsible for maintenance of the footbridge? Rob got one estimate with both Trecs and regular wood. Plans from the state dated 1987 records.
- Palmer services up to extend the contract. Rob spoke to Tyler today. 5% uptic for fuel. It was a 3 year contract. Rob asked Tyler to move piles of chips by the ballfield. Tyler will take a look. Rob moved chairs and the large round table from beach 2 into the shed. One chair was broken. Thank you Dave W. for helping. **Noted** - We want stipulation in the new contract with Tyler to pay more attention to beach 2. Rob said Tyler was informed on this need at end of season and he changed his schedule to better accommodate cars in parking lot who blocked his work area. **Noted** The Board would like notification of the schedule.

- Steve Dalling and Mike DeLorenzo did help w first load of chips that have been stored at the ballfield.
- Q from Rob - Word on picnic tables? A - Look online. Lowes has 3 in store online. Dave W and Rob to touch base on tables. \$400 rental from parking lot + pledge of \$150 from Rosenblatt. Home Depot. 89 per table. We need to remove old tables. Call out for help hauling away.
- Rob's next year - fill dirt around the basketball court to improve safety concerns of large lip around the perimeter of court. Rob hopes to use donation fill from septic systems and replacement of fire pit.

Roads

- Done fall work. Order for signs to be picked up so streets ready for emergency services.
- We potentially have 3 feet of road on members front lawn.
- Good til winter.
- Q - rocks picked up after chipping? A - never have.

Enviro

- Port-a-johns gone. Cindy shopping around for other vendors to compare prices.
- The fence around the port a johns protect for privacy and prevent tipping.

Beaches

- Open seat

Entertainment

- Dec 5th 5pm tree lighting. Mr. Wiliver will be sharing his award winning chili.
- Mailbox for letters to Santa
- Santa at tree lighting.
- Holiday light contest from now til Dec 18
 - Clark Griswold & Martha Stewart
 - \$25 Cesco prize and bragging rights!
 - Email entertainment to participate
- Tom, Vinny, and Vinny **thank you** for pumpkin float. Donation of 25 pizzas from a community member. Great evening. Big Hit! Thank you.

New business

- Member for open Trustee seat for Chair of Beach Committee
- Ridge Rd tree service closed the road. No notice to town. Scott called and left message w company

- DPW today on Ridge prepping for winter

Old business

- Master plan - sent from 1987 road plan.
 - Will be used as a starting foundation for larger master plan
- Tree removal
 - Thank you for tree removal. Very long day. The 100 dollar gift cards to be kept by board members. Both members offered to return back to community
 - Ladder broke on Tom's boat.
 - Scott requested amount to have repair from Tom
 - **Action - (corresponding secretary?)** Mr. Kepler needs to be notified that he has a tree that will fall into the lake. The roots are gone. Nothing is holding it in place. 2 to 3 have fallen.
 - Tom W. asked Midhurst for another quote. Clean up beach one side along the dam.
 - County take care of trees at causeway
 - Draw down scheduled for 2022 but due to Blairstown dam it may not happen.
 - **Action - Grounds?** Trees on south shoreline are currently saplings, but growing rapidly and blocking the beauty of the lake.
 - **Action - Grounds?** Tree on island beneath dam is a concern.
 - **Action - Grounds?** We should look at all saplings now while simple to remove
- **Linda and Scott** to contact Donna about at least 2 neighbors interested in becoming members
- Motion to move into closed session to discuss position

Action Items:

1. **Rob** - Palmer new contract to itemize:
 - a. We want stipulation in the new contract with Tyler to pay more attention to beach 2.
 - b. The Board would like notification of the schedule that will enable this work to take place.
2. **Scott** - Watson requested a call from Scott tomorrow.
3. **Corresponding secretary? Patti?** - Mr. Kepler needs to be notified that he has a tree that will fall into the lake. The roots are gone. Nothing is holding it in place.
4. **Grounds? Rob?** -
 - a. Trees and thicket on South Shore lake side are currently saplings, but growing rapidly and blocking the beauty of the lake.
 - b. Tree growing on the island beneath the dam is a concern.
 - c. We should look at all saplings now while simple to remove

5. **Linda and Scott** to contact PLA attorney about at least 2 neighbors interested in becoming members

Motion to Adjourn: Watson

Next meeting date, time, location: Dec 8 7 pm Stillwater Community Center

Closed Session:

- Proposal to appoint Courtney to the open seat. Open for questions. Unanimous vote - yes