# Holiday Lake Board of Directors Meeting Thursday, November 13, 2008

Vice President Jim Clayton, Jr. called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

Members in Attendance: Charlie Aiels, Jim Clayton, Jr., Larry Ehrig, Dale Howe, Amy Morrow, and Duane Selken were present; Audrey Brickman was not present.

Dale Howe read the Secretary's report from October 9, 2008. Larry Ehrig read the Treasurer's report as of October 31, 2008. Larry Ehrig read the current bills. Everyone was reminded to sign in on the attendance sheet.

Additions to the Agenda: Under New Business, add H Stop sign replacement.

**Agenda:** Amy Morrow made a motion to accept the agenda with additions, Charlie Aiels seconded, motion carried by unanimous vote.

Hearings: Richard Nusbaum - not present.

Secretary Report from October 9, 2008, meeting Change "cane" to "came" in the third line of the Water Quality report and "test' to "tested" in the fifth line of that report. Charlie Aiels made a motion to accept the Secretary's Report with the changes made, Amy Morrow seconded, motion carried by unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report Dale Howe made a motion to accept the report as read, Amy Morrow seconded, motion carried by unanimous vote.

Bills presented for payment: Duane Selken made the clarification that the Z-line Tire and Repair bill was for the new sander box for the truck purchased last spring. The snow plow has already been paid for. Charlie Aiels made a motion to pay the bills, Duane Selken seconded, motion carried by unanimous vote.

Maintenance Report: Duane Selken read Darrin Ehret's report.

Darrin has started cutting the trees that were hanging over the roads. He and Marvin Herman marked and set 43 posts for the beach fence, of which 19 were removed. He has cleaned and reshaped ditches and also repaired a ditch on Larry's Drive that was washed out due to improperly-placed riprap by lot owners. He hauled rock, placed riprap in the ditch on Tracy, brought in the buoys and the floating beach dock, and reset a fish habitat. Marvin Herman made a new bracket for the snow plow beacon. The Dixon mower has a drive motor that needs to be rebuilt or replaced. Estimated cost of repairs is \$500 - \$1000. The cost to replace that mower with a similar commercial mower would be \$9000 - \$12,000. A demo or a used unit having under 100 hours might be \$7000 - \$10,000. Darrin has also cold-patched some roads and graded the roads in preparation for snow plowing. Charlie Aiels asked how old the present mower is and Wendy Schwab answered that it is a 2002 model. Darrin will continue to look for a good deal.

Accounting Advisory Committee: JC Miller reported that the discussion at this point is how to merge the two companies. We can save some work by merging the Association into the Maintenance Company. If it is done the other way around, the title on each of the

properties owned by the Association would have to be changed. JC is recommending that the Board work on the situation so that by the time of election we would know the best way to do the merger.

Community Center Report: The committee will change the account to Patriot Bank, with the Association then taking over the account. The committee had previously reported that things to be done included: sealing the concrete floors, sealing the tiled floors, hanging up the coat rack, painting the women's restroom,

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hanging the lights in the women's restroom, solving some electrical issues, putting in a mirror sign above the donor names, and putting up gutters. The concrete approach to the building will be done by Hansen in the Spring.

- Fish Report: On November 7, 2008, the Lake was stocked with Walleye, White Amur, Catfish, Sunfish and Perch. A written report had been submitted and Amy Morrow summarized it. The Poker Run was held on November 1<sup>St</sup> and netted \$700, donated by the forty people who participated, and given to the Holiday Lake Fish Fund. There were six different stops and each host/hostess offered a snack. A donation of \$10 or \$5 plus an auction item was made by each. The fish committee would like to use the Community Center February 14, 2009, for a community game night, with a pot luck featuring various game dishes. The Board gave permission for them to use the Community Center, free of charge.
- Silt/Dredge Report: Duane Selken reported that there will not be a meeting until March. At present they continue to work on drainage problems. Amy Morrow asked about cleaning a standpipe near the Tiki house. Duane said it was cleaned out as much as possible.
- Rural Improvement Zone Report: Since the first petition was not granted, the Board is starting all over in its effort to get some funds. Petitions have been sent out to lot owners, requesting an immediate signature and return. The attorney, Denny Chalupa helped JC Miller understand the process and the need to give every detail that might be needed. The attorney recommended hiring an engineer to study what we need to do. The engineer could also be a witness, if necessary. Larry Ehrig reported that he already contacted French-Reneker-Associates firm and Stephen W Hausner will get back to him to start a study. We have to prove that there is a need for the funds and we will continue to get them as long as we can show that there is a need. Jeremy at NRCS came out and said that he has recorded maps of Holiday Lake, since we have had work done before. They have maps from before the dredging and then after the dredging. The Lake will continue to silt in unless we work to prevent that. Wendy Schwab thanked those who helped get the mailing out.
- Water Quality: Connie Sjerven gave each Board member a copy of the letter to be sent to local lawn service companies asking them to let us know if they use chemicals that are "lake friendly" and would like to be recommended to lot owners by this committee. She reported that the DNR had tested the Lake's water for E.coli and it is very low. The state standard is 235 E.coli/100 mL and the highest in our lake was in Ford's cove at 225 E.coli/100 mL. She showed a chart of concentration of optical brighteners (surrogates of detergents found in the lake) that showed the Lake to be good. None of the tests done on October 15 showed

any problem. Larry Ehrig asked if temperature affects the tests. It was decided the weather did not negatively affect the results. Charlie Aiels wondered if a Board member should have been present. It was decided that it was a DNR report and not ours. Amy Morrow wondered if the information should be put in a newsletter so that people would be aware of the results. There will be public meetings offered by DNR explaining changes in the private sewer disposal rules on December 2-4. It is now thought that the mechanical septic systems are not taking care of all of the bacteria. Larry Ehrig pointed out that the previous Board stated that no water was to be directly dumped into the lake, that the pipe should be run along the shore. Connie pointed out that we are just doing what the Iowa code says. Connie would like to attend and will report back to the Board.

Bathhouse/Shower Report: Kathy Bennett reported that the bathhouse was closed on October 24, 2008, and there is nothing else to report. Charlie Aiels asked if there was need for any updates of the bathhouse before the next season and Kathy said there was not.

#### Old Business:

- A: Dan Fix driveway The Lake Attorney has filed suit. No change.
- **B:** Poweshiek County Sanitarian Gaddis septic deadline was June 15, 2008. No change; Larry Ehrig talked to Michael Mahaffey about it and was told something would be done in two weeks.

  That was three weeks

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- ago. The property is now for sale and in answer to a question about the process when a property is sold, Connie Sjerven, a realtor, explained that the new septic system is part of the deal. She gets an inspection of the system before the sale is finalized and if a new system is needed, the buyer must have one put in. One of the changes this year is that if the buyer agrees to put one in within a year, then the money is set aside so that he cannot touch that money except for a new septic system. Connie said the biggest problem is the realtors who come in from other areas and don't understand the problems with septic systems at a lake like this.
- C: Nuisance Complaints The County Attorney is treating this the same way as the Gaddis septic system. There has been no change and the county attorney admitted that it is not a high priority for the County.
- D: Richard Samuelson Unit 1 Lots 403, 404 Wendy Schwab reported that now the Lake Attorney is saying that a person should call Poweshiek County Sheriff office only if Samuelson is suspected of criminal activity. Larry Ehrig said that was another issue he brought up with the County Attorney and he doesn't see anything happening soon. The best we can do is keep after it.
- E: Horseshoe Layout Becky Kauffman was not present. The issue was tabled.
- F: Building Regulations "Grandfathered structures" Pages 8 and 9 of the by-laws #6. This is not a practical action. Dale Howe made a motion to eliminate the whole #6 of the Building Regulations: "Grandfather variance shall be void when existing structures in the Holiday Lake Subdivision are sold or transferred after January 1, 2007. The structure shall be removed or modified to meet Holiday Lake Building Regulations:, Duane Selken seconded, motion carried by unanimous vote. This still prohibits any new manufactured homes from coming into the Association. Manufactured homes have steel substructures; modular homes have wooden substructures and come with a certificate stating that it is a modular home.

#### New Business

A: Building permit - Unit 1, Lots 370, 371 - Brobst. The work has already been completed, but he is now submitting the request. Charlie Aiels made a motion to accept the permit, Larry Ehrig

- seconded, motion carried by unanimous vote. Jim Clayton Jr. suggested that we put on the next agenda assigning corporate assessments to those who build without first submitting a permit.
- B: Tree removal: Aiels (U6, L 150, 179), Showalter (U5, L5), McLaughlin (U4, L233), Popenhagen (U2, L359). All of these were approved.
- C: Neeson, Septic 1308 Holiday Lane. Scharnweber notified the Sanitarian that the septic system contract has lapsed; the Poweshiek Attorney was notified on October 21, 2008.
- D: Wolf, House 2337 Angler Court The Poweshiek Attorney has been notified that the house is falling down and is a nuisance. A response letter stated that they did not feel that was a nuisance.
- E: Winter Entrance Banners: Joan and Larry Ehrig and Darlus and Duane Selken donated the snowmen banners. Thank you to them.
- F: Rules "Orange Flag" page 3, item 6 the wording needs to changed by adding that "the orange safety flag mounted on the craft, which extends not less than one foot above the highest point of a vehicle, including person(s) in/on the vehicle." Duane Selken made a motion to change the wording, Amy Morrow seconded, motion carried by unanimous vote.
- G: Tree Donations: Modern Woodsman Gene Edelen applied to Modern Woodsman of America Camp 3135 and Youth Service Club 3910-1 for trees and the company has donated seven trees, worth more than \$400. Duane Selken is going to go to the nursery to pick them up.
- H: Stop sign replacement Dale Howe reported that some of the stop signs near the south entrance are pink and should be replaced. She has gotten several calls about the intersection at Franklin, East Ridge, Holiday Lane. There may be others around the Lake that are in disrepair. Larry Ehrig made a motion to purchase ten new signs, Dale Howe seconded, motion carried by unanimous vote. Jim Clayton, Jr. said that he has a contact that could order them from the prison workers.

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## Communication received by the Board:

There were none.

Our next board meeting will be December 11, 2008, at 6:30 P.M.

Motion to adjourn was made by Charlie Aiels, seconded by Amy Morrow, motion carried by unanimous vate

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Minutes taken and typed by Dale Howe, Board Secretary.

Dale Howe - Holiday Lake Board Secretary

Attest to:

Jim Clayton Jr. – Holiday Lake Board Vice President PAGE

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