

**Holiday Lake Owners' Association, Inc.**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Thursday, August 12, 2010**

Before the meeting began, Audrey Brickman read the following notice: "Holiday Lake Owners' Association, Inc. holds a monthly business meeting on the second Thursday of each month. To assist the Board of Directors in making these meetings run as efficiently as possible, all lot owners requesting to address the board are required to complete a Request of Visitors form prior to the start of the meeting. During the Board Meeting only questions for clarification purposes will be accepted."

Vice-President Audrey Brickman called the meeting to order at 6:32 P.M.

**Members in Attendance:** Audrey Brickman, Dee Brown, Dale Howe, Duane Selken and Katie Tomlinson were present; Charlie Aiels and Larry Ehrig were absent.

Katie Tomlinson read the treasurer's report as of July 31, 2010.

Katie Tomlinson read the current bills.

Everyone was reminded to sign in on the attendance sheet.

Audrey Brickman also reminded everyone present that the meeting was being recorded for the sake of documentation.

**Additions to the Agenda:** Add to Communications Received by the Board B-Jim Mellecker: 1)Wolf House and Olson, 2) Seal coat, 3) Silt at Andy's Lake; and C-Vicki Mellecker, bullfrogs.

**Agenda:** Katie Tomlinson made a motion to accept the agenda as amended, Dee Brown seconded, motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Hearings:** All of those here for the hearings were told that the Board would discuss each one after the meeting and the people would be notified of the decisions. Each person has five minutes to present his/her case.

- 1) Lonnie/Jolene Beatty - They received a ticket for not having a flag. They claim they did have the flag on. They also stated that the description on the ticket was of a gator with no cab and theirs does have a cab. They also don't think the vehicle was out on that date.
- 2) Rodney Jones - Over the 4<sup>th</sup> his kids had taken the golf cart to the beach and got a ticket for not having a flag. The flag had been on a removable fish bamboo pole; when they came back with no pole, Rodney went down to the beach found it lying on the sand. He thinks the Security should have stopped the kids who were playing around with it down on the beach and then known that it came from his vehicle.
- 3) Pam/Bruce Klemz - Pam brought pictures of their vehicles with colorful (not orange) hand-made flags, saying that they've been using them like that for several years and had never gotten a ticket. They received three tickets. She feels that a warning instead of a fine might be called for. She also had a complaint about their road washing out and was told she could fill out a complaint form and someone would come look at the road.
- 4) Ashley Kochuyt - She had gotten a ticket for not having a guest pass, but she's had one ever since school let out. She brought it for the Board to see that it's all faded from having been on her dash all summer.
- 5) Kathy Moore - Not present
- 6) John Mosinski - Not present
- 7) Phillip/Cynthia Reeves - Not present.
- 8) Chad/Kim Geimer - Chad had come to visit Julie Giblin, parked at the south dock, asked someone if that was okay, was told it was, but then got a ticket. He'd never been here before and did not know he needed a guest pass.

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**New Business D** was taken care of next - Dee Brown said the Holiday Lake Board of Directors has retained French-Reneker-Associates to work with our contact from the Iowa DNR and a representative from Rock Island Army Corp of Engineers to evaluate our dam and spillway. While some work is needed to insure the future of our lake, it is minimal for a lake nearly 50 years old. Work required is: 1) One load of gabion rock to rip rap the dam against the west side of the spillway; 2) Bracing on the spillway side walls at Andy's Lake; and 3) Lowering of the road near the dam and boat ramp for an emergency spillway. It is our goal to do work on the emergency spillway prior to the year-end, weather permitting. If not completed this fall, the work will be done next spring. Dee introduced Steve Hausner from French Reneker Associates who spoke about the Engineering Services Agreement concerning the work to be done on the dam and the spillway. He had a contract for the Board members to sign, if they were in agreement with their plan. Some of the evaluation was completed last Friday. Steve explained the sections of the contract. If the contract would be signed now, the firm would deliver drawings by the end of September. He offered proof of insurance. By the time bids are sent out and contractors are chosen and get to work, the job would most probably be completed in the Spring. Dee Brown made a motion to accept and sign the contract with French-Reneker-Associates to evaluate and complete the work on the dam and spillway, Duane Selken seconded, motion carried with unanimous vote. The Board members signed the contract.

**Secretary Report:** Dee Brown made a motion to accept the July 8, 2010, report as presented, Katie Tomlinson seconded, motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Treasurer's Report:** Dee Brown made a motion to accept the report as of July 31 as read, Dale Howe seconded, motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Bills presented for payment:** Duane Selken made a motion to pay the July bills, Dee Brown seconded, motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Maintenance Report:** Duane Selken read Darrin Ehret's report: This month was wet again. I spent a lot of time mowing and sorting cans again. I received several bags of cans, bottles, trash, and some scrap metal over the fence this month. I was able to grade some roads and cut some ditches with the grader between rains. I put out some rock and cold patch in a few places, spread some more rock chips in places where the tar is showing through, sanded and resealed the table at Powell's shelter, started brush cutting catch basins, lake owned lots and ditches, picked up 8X8's for beach fence and steel 45 degree culvert end for south boat dock catch basin. I was able to get some ditches cleaned out also. I cleaned the ditch on Circle Drive and removed a tree that was in the ditch. I was able to get the ditch a little deeper by Ellis'. I dug three places for people to put in culverts. Two have installed their culverts and one has not. I dug up around the surface drain at the ball field again. The water had started following crawdad tunnels under ground to a vein of rock and then into a tile. I built up the dirt around the area and put in some clay and packed it in. It has been draining into the surface drain without any problems so far. I cleaned up some trees that fell on the roads this month. I have found several dead and dying oak trees in the timbers this year. When I talked with people at the extension office last year, they said to remove the dead trees as soon as possible to help prevent any diseases from spreading to more trees. I will try to get them marked prior to leaves changing this fall. While I was pushing up the brush pile on Monday, Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>, Julie Morarie stopped me and said she called DNR with regards to burning at the brush dump. I explained to her that we were not breaking any laws. I also informed her she needed to slow her car down while at the lake, since she and her son/daughter are always speeding up and down Skyline Drive. DNR came out on Tuesday the 3<sup>rd</sup>, but I did not get a chance to go. We were in violation because someone had put railroad timbers in the burn pile. Bill and I discussed the DNR rules vs EPA regulations and he says that the DNR now enforces EPA rules; therefore railroad ties are now considered trade waste and not landscape waste. I had dealt with both DNR and EPA in the past with regards to open burning at some locations that I managed. The end result was we quit burning since it was too expensive to fight the

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government. Bill said he did not want to shut down the burn pile. Bill felt that it was beneficial for the lake and safer for us to burn once in a while as opposed to several people burning all over the lake. The unfortunate thing is that there is also a rule that states we cannot burn within 1250 feet, or a  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile from any residence without a signed waiver on file with the DNR. Moraries' house looks to be only about 700 feet from the current burn site. We will have to wait for his report to know for sure what we should do. My personal opinion is that we will probably have to close it down to avoid any fines. We might as well close the rip rap pile as well. It also is being abused and we have more than plenty of concrete at this point.

**Accounting Advisory Committee:** JC Miller reported the committee had given blank Profit and Loss forms for next year's financials and pointed out the financial statement for the end of July shows \$309,227.85 and after next month's bills are paid there will be the amount needed for next year's budget. The Board is using an accrual bookkeeping system and is right on target for the next year. The previous Boards deserve credit for getting the books to the point where the balance on September 1 is the amount of the next year's budget.

**Community Center Report:** Kim Pendarvis reported there is a need for handicap-accessible signs and for handicap handrails in the restrooms. That is being worked on. They are currently preparing for the pancake breakfast to be held Sunday of Labor Day weekend. The sign acknowledging the sponsors of the triathlon is being taken down. Dale Howe requested that it be saved some place.

**Fish:** Dick Osborne thanked the people of Holiday Lake and the board of Holiday Lake Owners Association, Inc. for their generous donation to the fish fund. Thanks also go to Larry Ehrig and Duane Selken for their help when the fish arrived. Special thanks to the other members of the fish committee, Gene Prusha and Ernie Tomlinson. As of Aug. 5, 2010, we have \$1,699.37 in the fish fund to be spent on fish this fall. For the years of 2008, 2009 and so far in 2010 with the help of generous donations from the people of the lake and the board we have bought over \$16,000 in fish. The money from the ice fishing permits added \$750 to the fish fund. Big thanks go to Gene and Cindy Prusha for organizing the poker run. There were 226 people that participated in the poker run. This will add \$4,602 to the fish fund. This money was deposited in August but will not show on the account balance at this time. Dick will also give this report at the Annual meeting on August 14, 2010.

**Silt/Dredge Report:** Duane Selken reported they have been and will be meeting with the engineer and the RIZ trustees about the spillway. The September silt meeting has been cancelled.

**Rural Improvement Zone:** The results of the August 3, 2010, election: 331 people were eligible to vote; 74 official absentee ballots were sent out; 51 people voted; write-in votes were for Steve Link, Jackie Drake, and Harold Vokoun. The new trustees are Mark Baugh and Robert Hunt for one-year terms, Rick Happe and Herb Richards for two-year terms, and Marvin Herman for a three-year term. JC Miller suggested that the elections should be taken care of by ourselves since it is a local issue; we need to research the law, maybe get it changed. This election cost us over \$16 per vote. He offered thanks to Harold Vokoun and others who had worked from the beginning on getting the RIZ accomplished for Holiday Lake. JC also reminded everyone the money spent on the spillway will be reimbursed by the RIZ funds. Betty Osborne suggested that the trustees might be appointed by the Board. Audrey Brickman offered thanks to Harold Vokoun and all who put so many hours to making the RIZ a success. Applause.

**Security:** Katie Tomlinson reported Jeff Filloon had said the total hours worked July 8 to August 10 was 96.5, with a total for the year of 627.5 hours. There were fewer in July because of the rain. This has saved hours, which may mean the return of funds at the end of the year. They had two reports of dogs on the loose. Timber patrol showed that people are still using the trails. Two boat patrols were done. Jeff would like the offer of winter lake patrol being put in the newsletter.

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**Water Quality:** Connie Sjerven will give a report at the annual meeting on August 14, 2010. All levels tested are back to normal. There will be two more tests, September and October. She will be attending the training in Ames, along with two new committee members. There will be a yellow flag raised at each boat dock whenever it is not appropriate for swimming.

**Beach/Bathhouse:** Things are running fine. Some have been dumping port-a-potties in the bathrooms again, which we would like stopped. Plungers have been put in the campers' bathrooms.

**Nominating Committee:** Kim Pendarvis reported the number of absentee ballots is about the same as last year. Absentee ballots are kept under lock and key and are counted Saturday morning before the meeting. The Committee members for the units are 1) Ron and Bev Crooks, 2) Jim Mellecker, 3) Bill Jensen, 4) Holly Losh, 5) Denny Salmon and 6) Carrie Kroll.

**Old Business:**

- A:** Wolf House - 2337 Angler Court, May 27, 2010. Pictures have been sent to the Holiday Lake Attorney. On July 22, 2010, a letter was sent to the Poweshiek County Sanitarian.
- B:** Ellingston House 1171 East Ridge Drive. Pictures have been sent to the Holiday Lake Attorney. On July 22, 2010, a letter was sent to the Poweshiek County Sanitarian.
- C:** Committee: Security cameras/gated community - Matt Piphon (319-404-0219) is still looking for committee members. ([mattpiphon@gmail.com](mailto:mattpiphon@gmail.com)) Anyone interested in working on this committee should contact Matt. He is doing research and would like to present it to the Community in 2011.

**New Business**

- A:** Special Meeting - On July 31, 2010, there was a special meeting of the Board of Directors. Katie Tomlinson read the minutes of that meeting. Dee Brown said that "written" should be changed to "written or oral." Duane Selken made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected, Katie Tomlinson seconded, motion carried by unanimous vote.
- B:** Donation for Brooklyn Fire Department - Dale Howe made a motion to give \$200 to the Brooklyn Fire Department for their presence at the Holiday Lake Fireworks, Dee Brown seconded, motion carried by unanimous vote.
- C:** Board meetings will be held at the Community Center starting September 9, 2010. Signs have been posted to that effect. It will be posted on the WEB site also.
- D:** French-Renecker-Associates - discussed after the Hearings earlier in the meeting.
- E:** Disk Mower - The sickle mower is not adequate any more. Darrin Ehret saw one at a farm sale for \$2500, so he thinks he can get one for that or less. He will also check on EBay. Dee Brown made a motion to have Darrin purchase a disk mower for up to \$2500, Duane Selken seconded, motion carried by unanimous vote.
- F:** Signs on Common Grounds - There have been some signs on Association properties (common grounds) that should not be there, as we do not allow any commercializing on those properties. Signs advertising used cell phones and lawn spraying need to be removed. Duane Selken said he would remove them. Audrey Brickman reminded those who put up signs for the upcoming election they should be taken down after the election.
- G:** Spring Clean-up Weekend - Dee Brown read a statement saying Holiday Lake is committed to the beautification of Holiday Lake. This year we have successfully dealt with abandoned cars and badly rundown buildings. The Board is considering having a lake wide clean-up week during the spring of 2011. Details of what we will be able to collect and when the event will occur will be coming. The Clean-Up Weekend will be funded in part from the assessments collected for no flags, no stickers, or trespassing. However, there may be a small fee for appliances. There is no date set yet, probably spring of 2011. Input to the clean up weekend is needed. Committee members are needed.

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**Communication received by the Board:**

- A:** Betty Osborne - Kent Church Betty asked that she be able to sell the Holiday Lake fireworks pictures for the cause of the Kent Church. Katie Tomlinson made a motion to give permission to Betty Osborne to sell the pictures at the annual meeting Saturday, August 14, 2010, Dee Brown seconded, motion carried by unanimous vote.
- B:** Jim Mellecker - 1)Wolf House and Olson, 2)Seal coat, 3)Silt in Andy's Lake - 1) Jim was interested in the progress on the Wolf House and property. That was taken care of in Old Business, A. He is also concerned about the vehicles on the Olson property (2305). Duane Selken said he'd check it out, but thought Bill Olson had licensed what was there. He also has a lot of old firewood stacked there. 2) Jim said that he had been told that all of Lakeshore Drive was going to be seal-coated, but now he understands that only the Lakeshore Drive on the Main Lake was included. 3) Jim is concerned about the silt building up in Andy's Lake in front of his property. He had dug it out at his own expense before, but now it's silting in again. Katie Tomlinson wondered if RIZ funds would take care of that. Duane Selken said he and Darrin Ehret would go and take a look.; maybe a catch basin can be put in there.
- C:** Vicki Mellecker - They have always had a lot of bullfrogs in Andy's Lake and their family has enjoyed the sound. Last year someone came and took them out; this year they had a few back and recently someone has come again and taken those out. They come in the middle of the night with flashlights. Vicki is wondering what can be done about it. Dick Osborne said this is legal, unless they are trespassing. But there is a limit to how many they can take. Vicki was wondering if the fish committee can put some tadpoles in when they bring the fish.

Our next board meeting will be September 9, 2010, at 6:30 P.M. at the Community Center.

Motion to adjourn was made by Dee Brown, seconded by Duane Selken, motion carried by unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 P.M.

Minutes taken and typed by Dale Howe, Secretary.

Dale Howe - Holiday Lake Board Secretary

Attest to:

Audrey Brickman - Holiday Lake Board Vice-President