

LAKE CHAFFEE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION, INC.

Lake Chaffee Annual General Meeting

June 24, 2018

Board Members Present: Mike Panek, Tom Martin, Kathy Little, Carol Natitus, Marty Conners, Gerald Dufresne, Kari Olson, Bob Corriveau Alternate: Seth Kaufman, Ken Garee

Public in Attendance: 24 members in attendance per sign in sheets

1. **Call to Order:** Mike Panek called the meeting to order at 2:08 p.m.

2. **Approval of Minutes:** President Panek asked everyone to review the minutes of the August 20, 2017 meeting. One typo was noted on line 7. Jerry Dufresne made a motion, seconded by Kari Olson, to accept the minutes. The motion passed without objection.

3. **Recap of Past Year:** Mike Panek addressed the membership and gave a recap of the past 10 months.

 The snow removal for 2017/2018 was much improved; Peck Landscaping was our new contractor.

 The Dam was full repaired including removal of overgrowth, addition of rock on lakeside, donated by Kari Olson, and the spillway concrete was repaired. The lake is full, and all varieties of fish are plentiful.

 Prior to the snow we filled all the potholes as a stop gap measure. This year we have contracted to have the potholes and ruts professionally fixed and the brush cut back on all the association roads.

 We held a fall open house fundraiser at the hall and the attendance was overwhelming. Or new fundraising chair, Phil Silverstein, organized a great event that raised almost \$500. He followed that with a Cinco de Mayo party in May that raised another \$500.

 LCIA received a donation from the estate of Jack Pirzl in the amount of \$7850. In the coming months we will be discussing ways to utilize this donation at the hall to improve it for all members. We also received a donation of \$490 from the family of Albert Fyler who passed away in April.

 The Charter Revision Committee was formed, led by Bob Corriveau. The committee worked diligently with meetings an public hearings to address the needed updates to our current charter. The process took over six months that led up to a membership vote that passed the four important changes (1) clarifying a “member” for taxing purposes (2) having the right to appoint a member to inspect all proposed building and structures for compliance with association guidelines, not just town guidelines. (3) maximum tax the association can impose each year, (4) change the rate of interest on delinquent taxes. After receiving 137 out of 244 ballots all items passed by an average of 110-27. It was then sent to the State Legislature and passed in a Senate Bill #493. Thank you to Bob and all the committee members for all of their hard work.

 Mike went on to personally thank all the board members and all the committee chairpersons. He also thanked all the members, some who were preseny today, for

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42 all of their help and volunteering during the past year. With the help of all, the lake
43 community will thrive. Mike urged all to be and get involved. Mike advised the
44 members that throughout the coming months, we will be working on an LCIA email
45 notice system to let everyone know of volunteering needs and events taking place.

46 4. **Approval of Treasurer's Report:** Jacqueline Kennedy was not present and had not
47 provided a treasurer's report. Bob Corriveau made a motion, seconded by Jerry
48 Dufresne to table the approval of the treasurer's report to the July meeting. The
49 motion passed unanimously.

50 5. **Chairman's reports:**

51 **Boat Launch:** Jerry has been keeping it mowed; he will need to do some filling. He is
52 planning to seal the dock.

53 **Constable:** Jerry Dufresne reported that it has been fairly quiet. There are a couple of
54 young men who were troublemakers in the past who has recently been released from
55 jail and are back in the area. Everyone is reminded to keep their doors and cars locked
56 and watch out for your neighbors.

57 **Beaches:** Jean Panek reported that the Port-o-Potties have been put on both beaches.
58 Jean requested some help installing the buoys on both beaches; we will need someone
59 with a boat. Also, a ladder has been donated for the raft at Main Beach but she will
60 need someone to attach it to the raft. Jean reported that the broken fence at Main
61 Beach will be replaced and the sand will be rototilled at Mothers Beach.

62 **Charter Revision:** The committee met several times and had 2 public hearings. The
63 results was an increase in the tax limit to \$200 for the coming year and a built in 3%
64 increase for future years. This is important because it means we won't have to go back
65 to the State Legislature each year.

66 **Dam Chair** Kari Olson reported that we had a lot of success this year on the repair of
67 the dam. We met the states requirements for the brush removal and the rocks being
68 put in. We have since received notification from DEP stating that we are delinquent in
69 filing our Emergency Action Plan paperwork. Kari called Karl Acimovic and he advised
70 her what had to be done he said he would charge us the lowest for the range of our
71 Dam classification, which is \$3500. The bi-annual updates to this will not be as
72 expensive. He also stated that under the new DEP laws the dam will have to be
73 inspected every 5 years.

74 Mike contacted another engineer to get another price and information. He was told
75 that the price we are getting is an excellent quote that he could not match. He also
76 confirmed everything Karl had told Kari.

77 Bob Corriveau made a motion, seconded by Tom Martin, to allow Kari to hire Karl to do
78 the work required to file the paperwork. The vote passed unanimously.

79 **Environmental Chair** Ralph Sherman reported that everything looks good right now.
80 We have some Osprey and Eagles around again this year. We do have a lot of geese
81 this year. We haven't taken any abatement action yet, but we may have to do so in the
82 future. Dan Rackliffe volunteered to get a permit to addle the goose eggs on the island
83 in the Spring. Dan will need permission from the Association as it is Association
84 property. Bob Corriveau made a motion to give Dan permission to initiate the process

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- 85 of getting the permits to do so. Tom Martin seconded the motion, the membership
86 unanimously voted to approve the request unanimously.
- 87 Laurie Layton asked who she could call to report a racoon issue. She has spotted a
88 racoon around during the daytime, and the racoon does not appear to be well. She
89 called the town animal control to no avail. Jerry Dufresne advised her to call the State
90 Animal Control officer. Everyone is advised to be on the lookout for the animal and
91 don't approach it; instead call the State Animal Control officer.
- 92 **Fund Raising:** Mike reiterated what he said earlier that 2 get togethers were held and
93 almost \$1000 was raised. Today was the Poker run and brought in \$135 for the LCIA.
94 The winner was Mike Panek, who donated \$100 of his winnings back to LCIA. The
95 50/50 raffles brought in \$68 for LCIA and \$67 for the winner Dave Coulombe.
- 96 **Hall:** The hall was successfully rented on June 16 and is reserved again for July 7.
97 New curtains were donated and installed by Ralph and Bonnie Sherman.
98 The board discussed the possibility of upgrading the current septic system. Mike is
99 reaching out to several companies to get an estimate of what can be done and what
100 the cost may be.
- 101 **Roads:** Mike talked about the roads earlier in his recap of the year.
- 102 **Tax Collection:** Tom Martin advised that he has been able to collect from a couple of
103 people, but he needs some up to date records from our Treasurer. Tom said that most
104 of the delinquent taxes still outstanding are within the 2-3 year delinquent range.
- 105 **Website:** The website is currently functioning but still needs work.
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- 107 6. **Public Comments:** Mike opened up the floor to any comments, questions or concerns
108 from the members present.
- 109 Nancy Raymond asked about the stump that is in the parking lot at Mothers Beach.
110 Over the Memorial Day weekend it was hidden by foliage and a car got stuck on it.
111 Mike said we would try to remove it and if not, we would be sure it was cleared of
112 foliage and clearly marked. Mrs. Raymond also stated that last year the ropes did not
113 stay out in the water very long. Mike advised that the ropes were put out and
114 someone pulled them in. The reason they are there is for insurance purposes, not to
115 restrict people. After we put them out this year if they are pulled in, we will continue
116 to put them out again.
- 117 Laura Rathbun from Shorefront Drive advised that she was new to the lake and
118 asked the Board members to introduce themselves.
- 119 Mary Ellen Richard from Ference Road asked what we, as residents, should do if we
120 see trouble happening. Everyone was advised that we need to be observant of our
121 surroundings and report any suspicious persons or vehicles to the State Police.
- 122 7. **New Business:** The Boat Parade will be held on July 4th at noon, meet at the boat dock.
123 Rain Date is the following Saturday at noon.
- 124 8. **Correspondence:** There was no correspondence to discuss
- 125 9. **Adjournment:** Bob Corriveau made the motion, seconded by Tom Martin, "to adjourn."
126 The meeting was adjourned at 3:23 p.m.

SIGN IN SHEET

Laurie Layton	147	Lakeview
Sharon Apostol	121	Lakeview
Nancy Raymond	18	Circle Dr
TEAN MARTIN		137 LAKEVIEW
SETH KAUFMAN	15	AMIDON
MIKE PANEK	18	V. POINT
JEAN PANEK	18	V. POINT
GERALD DUFRESNE	89	LAKEVIEW DR.
Dan Ruckliff	49	Lakeview Dr
Jane Ruckliff		"
Merty Connors	16	View ViewPoint Drive
Al Tilley	52	Ashtford Drive.
Kathy Little	42	Circle DR

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LCIA SUMMER MEETING 7.16.17

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Ralph Sherman	26 Amidon Dr	26 Amidon Dr
Kari Alm	73 Kidder Brook Rd 29 Shorefront Dr	29 Shorefront Dr
Laura Rathbun	15 Shorefront Dr	Same
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John Mayer	" "	
Kidder Brook Farm LLC	73 Kidder Brook	27 Shorefront Dr