## JOSE LAKE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES JULY 7, 2007

The meeting of the Jose Lake Improvement Association as called to order on July 7, 2007, at 10:00 by President, Chuck Lauria. Chuck presented the agenda, and it was accepted. The officers and directors were introduced: Chuck Lauria, President; Pete Tate, Vice President; Sandy Kew, Secretary; Skip Hagy, Treasurer; and George Brown and Joe Moran, Directors. New members were introduced and welcomed.

The minutes of the last meeting were read. Ed Wlodarczyk moved to accept the minutes as read. Donald Rem seconded and the motion passed.

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## **RECEIPTS:**

Dues and donations:	<u>\$2780.00</u>
Total:	\$3084.45

## **DEBITS:**

Incorporation Fee:	\$20.00
Pete Tate (Flowers):	\$64.20
Rose City Trout Farm:	\$1039.25
Hale Citizens' Patrol	\$200.00
South Branch Fire Department:	\$300.00
Sandy Kew (Salary, Copies, Postage):	\$441.00
Pete Tate (Food for Clean-up)	\$80 00
Prize for Boat Parade:	\$25.00
Total:	\$2169.45

Balance on Hand July 7, 2007: \$915.00

Donald Rem moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as read. Ed Wlodarczyk seconded, and the motion passed.

Joe Moran reported on our fish program. In 2004, 400 hybrid bluegill, 400 crappie, and 360 walleye were planted in the lake at a cost of \$910. In 2005, 450 crappie and 450 walleye were planted at a cost of \$1140. In 2006, 175 walleye, 200 crappie, and 200 hybrid bluegill were planted at a cost of \$1039.25. Mr. Schuman moved to continue our fish stocking program spending what our dues and donations allow. Some concerns about fishing were discussed.

Our minnow population seems adequate. Some members were concerned about the loons eating so many fish. Be cautious when loons are near fishermen. It is best to move out of the way to avoid having them grab your lures. One member inquired about what kinds of fish are in our lake. We have small and large mouth bass, walleye, perch, bluegill, crappie, pike, catfish, bullhead, and suckers.

It was discussed that we have been using some of our fish fund to pay bills. To avoid doing this we will try to increase membership to increase our treasury. It was suggested that a mass mailing be done inviting all property owners around the lake to join the association. This will be done as soon as possible.

The information boards at each end of the lake are being used. It was suggested to post our web site address on the information boards. This will also be done as soon as possible.

Skip reported on the annual forest cleanup. It was held on June 2, 2007. Seventeen people worked very hard clearing 19 sites. They filled a 30 yard dumpster collecting 8 yards of scrap metal and a great deal of shingles. The amount of dumping has seemed to decrease. Report any illegal dumping to the sheriff or DNR. Thanks to George Brown for the use of his tractor. It was very helpful. Thanks also to all the people who helped. Again, a job well done!

The website was discussed. Carrie and Matt Albin have done a fantastic job setting up a great website. The address is www.joselakemi.com. On the website you will find pictures and notices of activities and events, a list of services,

the minutes, and a list of members who have agreed to have their names appear on the website. You can advertise for free if you are a member of the Association.

The annual boat parade was discussed. It was decided to hold the parade every year on the first Saturday of July at 3:00. This year it will be held on July 7, 2007 at 3:00. Judges will be Larry and Gloria Long, Chuck and Leslie Lauria, CJ and Craig Schuman, Donald and Cindy Rem, and Tom Goodvich Thanks to all the judges.

Ralph Kull moved to continue our donation of \$300 to the Fire Department, increase our donation to the Hale Citizens' Patrol to \$300, and continue paying the secretary \$300. Discussion followed with the consensus being that since we are low on funds to keep the Hale Citizens' Patrol donation at \$200. Mr. Schuman moved to keep the three items separate, and not vote on all the expenses as one motion. The motion was seconded and passed.

Ralph Kull moved to give the Hale Citizens' Patrol \$200. The motion was seconded and passed.

A motion was made to keep the donation to the fire department at \$300. The motion was seconded and passed.

A motion was made to keep the Secretary's salary \$300. The motion was seconded and passed.

Election of Directors took place. Pete Tate's and Chuck Lauria's terms expired. A motion was made to elect Chuck and Pete by acclamation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Skip Hagy, our Treasurer, resigned his position on the Board and as Treasurer because of personal and professional commitments. It was moved and seconded that Carrie Albin fill the remaining year of Skip's term as Treasurer. The motion passed. A big thank you and a well-deserved round of applause were given to Skip for his many years of service to our organization. Skip assured us that he will be available to help out as much as possible.

Some members asked about paving or blacktopping Nicole Dr. This has been looked into, and it does not seem likely that this will happen. A petition would have to be signed by at least 51% of the property owners. Many people would lose frontage due to the fact that the road would have to be widened to at least 48 feet wide to make room for utility poles and to meet state guidelines. It would also prove to be very expensive for property owners.

Someone suggested a sign be put up in the channel by the store to slow down boat traffic. We cannot put signs up without a permit. Report unsafe water craft to the sheriff by getting an MC number and calling the sheriff.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded. The meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Kew, Secretary 586 294-7429 or 586 419-5424 Cottage 989 257-4341

## **GUESS WHAT!!**

Congratulations to Carrie Albin who was elected as our new Treasurer at the Board meeting following the membership meeting. All other officers will remain the same.

Wasn't the parade great!?! Our winners were: 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Scott Apple and family with Christmas in July; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Ken Pincumbe and family with (believe it or not) Christmas in July; and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Douglas Dingel and family for a great pirate ship. It was unbelievable all the hard work and talent that went into all the floats. Congratulations to the winners and thanks to all who took part.