## JOSE LAKE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION MINUTES JULY 6, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 by President, Chuck Lauria. Chuck presented the agenda, which was accepted. Ralph Kull suggested we stand and pledge allegiance to the flag. All present participated in this pledge. Officers and Directors were introduced. New member, Chuck Schultz was introduced and welcomed.

The minutes of July and September 2012 were read. Todd McDaniel moved to accept the minutes as read. Chris Bouck seconded and the motion passed.

Township Supervisor, Fred Lewis spoke to us. Public Act 451 is in process. A request for bids will be sent to engineers for a required study of the lake. The lake board will look at recommendations, get bids from companies to treat the lake, decide what the assessment district will be, notify residents in this district, and hold public meetings. When this is completed, the assessment would begin with our winter taxes to allow the lake to be treated next spring. Fred continued by telling us what is happening on other lakes in the area. Loon Lake, Bass Lake, Londo Lake, Long Lake, and Little Long Lake all are fighting the same problem with milfoil as we are. There will be a lake board formed consisting of the Drain Commissioner, the Township Supervisor, a Township Trustee, a member of the Board of Commissioners, and a representative from Jose Lake. This board will facilitate the money collected by the township. It still has to be decided who will be in the assessment district and how the cost will be divided. Other lakes have been successful in controlling this invasive weed.

Mr. Lewis informed us of gravel being put on in spots on Nicole Dr. It was applied side to side with three inches of gravel and spread evenly over the road.

The members selected George Brown to be the lake representative on the 451 lake board. This is a four-year term.

Chuck Parkinson read the Treasurer's Report as follows: Balance on hand July 7, 2012 \$4611.76

Credits-Dues and Donations

4105.00

Total

\$8716.76

Debits: Parade Prize	\$ 25.00
Postage, copies, labels	254.34
State of Michigan Incorporation fee	20.00
Goodar Township Fire Department Donation	500.00
Rose City Trout Farm 500 walleye 500 crappie	2695.47
Bank Fees	18.00
Sandy Kew Secretary salary, \$100 for food for clean-up, \$92 postage	542.00
Total:	\$4060.05
General fund \$1851.71 Citizens' Patrol \$295.00 Fish Fund \$2509	0.98
Balance on hand July 6, 2013	\$4656.69
A second report was presented. This was on the money collected for the inverteatment. Donations totaled	asive weed \$12,940.00
Debits: Phragmytes treatment	375.00
Permit for treatment	800.00
Milfoil treatment	9135.45
Postage, copies, supplies	457.55
Balance on Hand July 6, 2013	\$ 2172.00

Todd McDaniel moved to accept the reports as read. Scott Apple seconded. The motion passed.

George Brown reported on the weed program. He stated that Mr. Lewis had covered most of this information. The future funds will cover all treatments on the lake including any new species of weeds if they appear in the lake.

Joe Moran reported on our fish program. No problems were reported after the weed spraying in early June. Minnow population is good in most areas of the lake. Five hundred walleye and 500 crappie were planted in the lake last fall. We are still dealing with Rose City Trout Farm, but Joe asked for suggestions of other fisheries we may deal with. It was suggested to plant

some non-hybrid bluegill into the lake. A motion was made and seconded to do this for one year. The motion passed.

May 4, 2013 was our annual clean-up. Thirty-three people took part. Thanks to George and Joan Brown for hosting the barbecue after for all the hard workers. Thanks to all who participated in a job well done.

Matt and Carrie Albin generously offered their home for a barbeque to be held after the boat parade. The parade will be held at 3:00. Todd McDaniel, Rick and Connie Monville, Chris Bouck, Lee May, and Scott Apple volunteered to be judges.

Election of directors took place. George Brown and Chuck Parkinson's term expired. Scott Apple moved to elect George and Chuck by acclamation. Lee May seconded. The motion passed.

It was suggested and passed that we continue paying the secretary \$350, and donate \$500 to the Goodar Township Fire Department.

Chuck Parkinson moved to form a by-laws committee. Some of our by-laws are out-of date. Chuck Parkinson, Don Rem, Connie Monville, George Brown, and Chris Bouck volunteered to sit on this committee. This will serve as notice of possible by-law changes to be voted on at next year's meeting.

Nelson Wood, from the Goodar Township Fire Department spoke to us. There are eighteen members including medical first responders. They are constantly upgrading equipment as funds allow.

Members mentioned and were very grateful for the wonderful fireworks displays on the Fourth of July.

Someone from the losco County Historical Association contacted us. They are looking for information about the history of Jose Lake. If anyone has any information they would like to share, please ask Carrie Albin for contact information. You can contact Carrie on our website.

Roger Sauve has placed Jugs at the rock pile to warn boaters of the shallowness of this area.

Jeff Grybel informed us that people may now take the test for certification for operating a personal water craft on line. Anyone born after 1979 requires this certification. Boaters can obtain this certificate at the DNR website. Boat insurance may be lower if you have this certificate.

A vote was taken to raise dues from \$25 to \$30. The dues will be raised to \$30. Fifteen dollars will go to the general fund and \$15 will go to the fish fund.

Ralph Kull moved to adjourn the meeting. Chris Bouck seconded. The meeting adjourned at 11:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Kew, Secretary 989 257-4341

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## **GUESS WHAT!!!!**

Thanks to all the people who volunteered their time to pick up trash around areas near the lake. Thanks to George and Joan Brown for hosting the barbecue afterward. The next clean-up will be held on May 3, 2014.

Congratulations to our boat parade winners. First place went to the Schneider family for their tribute to construction workers; second place went to the Albin's for Carnival; and third place went to the Knickerbocker's for their fifty's theme boat. Thanks to the judges for doing the hardest job of all. Also a big thank you to Joe Moran for his donation of a boat put-in or takeout.

Thank you to all of the people who gave so generously to the weed fund. We were able to treat the lake this year and get a good start on preventing more weeds from spreading in the lake. It was so gratifying to know that we all care so much about out lake. Thank you to the weed committee who worked very hard gathering information and sharing ideas on how to proceed with this project. Thank you to Rae Ann Leighton and Sandy Leavoy for their help in mailing letters to residents.

Please be sure to visit our website <u>www.joselakemi.com</u>. Carrie and Matt Albin continue to do a great job keeping us informed and sharing information about the lake.

If you need to contact me please call me at 989 257-4341 7035 Jose Lake Rd. South Branch, MI 48761.