LAKE SAINT LOUIS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

**Lakes & Parks – Committee Meeting Minutes**

August 6, 2024 at 7:00 PM

# COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT ABSENT

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Doug Heinsohn – Chairperson (2024) Present

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Jeff Klein – Vice Chair (2025) Present

Barry Berisford Secretary (2025) Present

Duane Wall (2025) Present

John Dangoia (2025) Present

Drew Stevens (2025) Absent

Tom Mispagel (3027) Present

Beth Treadway (2027) Present

# LSLCA – REPRESENTATIVES

Heather Becker – General Manager Present

Erik Carlson – Water Safety Patrol Manager Present

Angie Hopping – Board Member Present

# AGENDA

1. Call to Order by Chairman Heinsohn at 7:00pm
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Agenda **Approved as submitted (6-0)**
4. Approval of Minutes **Approved as submitted (6-0)**
5. Recognized Guests –Bob McGartland, Ryan Hopping, Ben Ernst, Greg Jones

1. Board Report – Angela Hopping/Heather Becker

Heather reported the large lake draw down pipe sealing effort is complete. She also reminded all about the formal naming of the Jefferson Point Park to “Donnie’s Park” will occur the coming Friday.

Staff Report – Erik Carlson reported on the success of the lake storm clean-up effort that made the lake useable for the July 4th weekend.

1. Committee Reports
   1. Aquatics – Heather reported the swimming pool was successfully cleaned following the phosphate incident. It appears the problem was a result of swimmers coming from the small lake with insufficient fresh water showering to remove lake water before entering the pool. Pro Pool continues to do a good job managing the pool..
   2. Finance – Heather stated the Annual Audit went well.
   3. E&F – Heather reported E&F is planning a large lake water sampling training effort and taking baseline readings on Aug 14 in anticipation of the upstream meat processing plant opening scheduled for this coming January.
2. Guests- See below
3. Old Business
   1. Lake Front Homeowners and CA rental slips.

**Motion: Recommend the CA Board of Directors approve removal of Item VII, A, 4, b (3/23/2021) from the Lakes & Parks rules.**

**Approved (6-0)**

* 1. Update on Rule 26 Heather provided the latest action by the CA Board which clarifies that Towing tubes, etc is permitted at no wake speed in all no wake zones – except within 100 feet of a boat ramp or the gas dock.

1. New Business
   1. New Boat approval request – 1998 Supra Mariah Ski Boat CA member Bob McGartland submitted a request to add his 1998 Supra Mariah boat to the approved list of Class 6 boats. The boat does meet the engine displacement and weight limits, but appears to be over the length limit in published documentation. After discussion, the Committee suggested to the owner that he have Water Patrol perform a physical measurement of the boat’s length to see if it is within our 20’ 9” rule. The Committee also asked Bob to check with the manufacturer and with USA Waterski (AWSA) to see if the boat was tested and approved as a three event tournament ski boat.

**Tabled to next meeting**

* 1. Angler’s Request for additional $3000.00 for fish habitats: Ryan Hopping will now be the lead for the effort to develop a comprehensive CA Lake(s) Management Plan that Dave Austin was working on (Dave has resigned from the effort). Ryan advised effort is underway to describe appropriate markings for items (structures) into the lakes. Also, the Anglers would like to use unspent budgeted funds from last year ($3000 approved) for fish habitat structures. Heather advised that budgeted funds cannot be rolled over from a previous year. However, she advised that the 2024 budget should be able to accommodate the Anglers request.

**Motion: Request the CA Board of Directors approve up to $3000 for Anglers to install fish habitat this year.**

**Approved (6-0)**

* 1. Water Patrol Concern – Ben Ernst & Greg Jones . Ben Ernst discussed his white paper describing the possibility of saving some money for the CA by reviewing and re-thinking of how to most efficiently use staff to conduct Water Patrol responsibilities and duties. Ben observed there appears to be a significant amount of time – particularly on weekdays – when WP and Security staff spend up to 95% of their time on-site at the main marina WP offices and only a very limited amount of time on the water. Ben also observed that the practice of always having two WP staff on the water together in one boat might be revisited to see if their work could be successfully completed with one WP staff – as he has observed in the Florida Water Safety Patrol. Heather, Eric and Ben observed that this could be an opportune time to look at this topic with the change-over in Water Patrol leadership in the wake of Steve Bernstein’s retirement.

**ACTION: Eric will look into the issue and report to future L&P meetings.**

**ACTION: Put this topic on Old Business on future L&P meetings.**

* 1. Beautification Project at Raven’s Point

Heather reported there are issues with a few Raven’s Point residents actively performing maintenance and property improvements on CA property adjacent to their properties. To avoid potential action of members seeking to take ownership of these areas, the CA will act by Oct 15 to formally notify these residents to cease and desist.

**ACTION: Add to Old Business to follow up at future L&P meetings.**

* 1. Park/Marina Updates
     + Main Marina/Carnac/Rue Grand-
       - John Dangoia complimented the great shape of the beach.
     + Windjammer/Wharf-Duane Wall: No Report
     + Jefferson Point-Beth Treadway: No Report
     + Woodlands Marina-Doug Heinsohn: No Report
     + Villa Marina-Doug Heinsohn: No Report
     + Lakewood Park/Saxony Court- Jeff Klein N/A
     + Brittany Park- Drew Stevens (lights need repaired)
     + Bay Oaks/Highpoint-Tom Mispagle: No Report
     + Ravens Point/Foxtrails- Barry Berisford: No Report
     + Jolly Island & Isle de Fleuer- Need Volunteer: Drew ??

1. General Discussion / Comments

Duane Wall complimented the great job on Lake Cleanup following the heavy rain storms.

1. Adjournment: 8:25pm

Respectfully submitted,

Barry Berisford

Secretary, Lakes & Parks Committee