

Lake Thunderbird Association
Board Meeting Minutes
March 18, 2023

Pledge of Allegiance & Call to order: Board President Sherry Monday called the March 18, 2023 Board of Directors Meeting to order at 9:00am.

Roll Call / Establishment of Quorum: Board Members present were Bob Bittner, Tim Flynn, Russ Hawkins and Lori Whalen. Rich Cashman was available by telecommunication. Dave Augustine was absent.

Approval of Agenda: *Tim Flynn made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Lori Whelan. All in favor, Aye.*

Comments by Members regarding Agenda Items: None

Approve minutes of Previous Meetings(s): *Tim Flynn made a motion to approve the February 18, 2023 Board of Directors Board Meeting and Violations Minutes, second by Bob Bittner. All in favor, aye.*

Secretary Report: No report

Treasurer's Report: Board Treasurer Lori Whelan stated the monthly Financial Report has been reformatted to resemble the Yearly Budget. Income as of February 28, 2023 was \$153,585.00 or 12.9% of budget amount of \$1,190,672.00. Total Expense for February \$140,446.00. Year to Date as of February 28, 2023 was \$196,200.00. Total Yearly Budget Expense amount is \$1,190,672.00.

Cash Flow amounts as of February 28, 2023 are Monthly Operations Fund, \$155,799.00, Reserve Fund, \$757,027.00 and Designated Committee Funds, \$15,558.00 with a total all funds of \$928,384.00. *Bob Bittner made a motion to approve the Financial Report, second by Tim Flynn. Roll Call Vote: Bob Bittner, Aye, Rich Cashman, Aye, Tim Flynn, Aye, Russ Hawkins, Aye, Lori Whalen, Aye, Sherry Monday, Aye. Motion carried.*

President's Report: Nothing at this time.

Lake Manager's Report: Lake Manager Welch presented the Monthly Bills as of February 28, 2023 in the amount of \$18,413.49. *Bob Bittner made a motion to approve, second by Russ Hawkins. Roll Call Vote: Bob Bittner, Aye, Rich Cashman, Aye, Tim Flynn, Aye, Russ Hawkins, Aye, Lori Whalen, Aye Sherry Monday, Aye. Motion carried.*

Lake Manager Welch also reported on her attendance at the Illinois Lake Management Association (ILMA) conference. She received information on a Lake Management Plan she is recommending This survey would determine the health of our lake from the plant life to the water quality and ensure future goals and objective are appropriate. The Conservation Commission agreed to postpone fish stocking for 2023 except red ear bluegills and the remaining funds will be used for the Lake Management Plan survey. Lake Manager Welch has contacted two firms but hasn't received a response at this time. Board Members agreed to proceed with the recommendation.

Building & Grounds Supervisors Report: Jon Brunschon reported Maintenance in an effort to identify and mark the location of buffalo boxes has identified 412 so far. They've also repaired the mower, fixed a water leak and tree trimming

Administrative Service Manager's Report: Wendy Flynn said assessments are being paid and there were 10 campsites available this season and were filled immediately.

Advisory Commissions:

- a. Events – No report
- b. Architectural Control - Director Bittner said a deck, a shed, solar panels, railings and a lot clearing were approved.
- c. Campground – No report
- d. Conservation – Andy Merck said the Commission agrees with the use of fish stocking funds to conduct the Lake Management Plan.
- e. Deer Management Program (DMP) No report
- f. Earth Day – Chair Ann Annen said the Commission is hibernating.
- g. Emergency Medical Services (EMS) - See Unfinished Business below.
- h. Newsletter – No report
- i. Planning/Capital Improvements – Lake Manager Welch said the request for proposal bids will be in local newspapers with a meeting held soon with any contractors interested in the project.
- j. Rules – No report
- k. Security – Chair Tim Flynn said with summer coming, Volunteers are needed! Lake Manager Welch said security will be paid positions at the beach a security boat during "wake" hours.
- l. Tree Huggers – Chair Mary Dappen said an Arbor Day Event will be held on April 29th at 10:00am. with a presentation at the clubhouse.
- m. Water Safety – Volunteers are needed!

Report of Special Committee(s): None

Unfinished (Old) Business:

Continue discussion on Short Term Rentals – The Association is waiting for rewrite from Association Attorney James Arrigo. President Monday said Director Augustine is suggesting under General Rules the wording with regard to wrist bands be rewritten to include all common property to assist in compliance. *Bob Bittner made a motion to remove the following sentence from Rules and Regulations - General Rules - Procedures #5a "Wristbands are not required while aboard watercraft but are required when using the beach, picnic, pavilion area.", second by Lori Whalen. All in favor, Aye. 0 opposed. Motion carried.*

EMS Update – Chair Deb Serio reported Putnam County has an ordinance requiring all homes have a "911" sign displayed on their property. If there is not a sign, Putnam County will issue a fine to the property owner. The Association will inform and assist Members with the ordinance and signs will be ordered in bulk. She is asking the Lake Thunderbird Association to establish a temporary Account at Midland Bank to help Members fund compliance until they repay the amount needed to purchase. *Tim Flynn made a motion to establish a temporary account at Midland State Bank in the amount no greater than \$45,000.00 for the Emergency Medical Services Commission (EMS) to fund the purchase and installation of 911 signs as required by Putnam County, second by Bob Bittner. Roll Call Vote: Bob Bittner, Aye, Rich Cashman, Aye, Tim Flynn, Aye, Russ Hawkins, Aye, Lori Whalen, Aye, Sherry Monday, Aye. Motion carried*

Petitions and Resolutions by Board members: None

New Business:

Watercraft Rules – Definition of "underway". Bob Bittner made a motion to define "underway". After discussion, motion was rescinded and tabled until the April 15, 2023 Board of Directors Meeting.

ILMA – See above Lake Manager's Report

Announcement: The next regular LTA meeting will be Saturday, April 15, 2023 at 9:00am. Director Cashman announced in the long-term property dispute litigation, the decision was resolved in favor of the Lake Thunderbird Association. No further legal action will be permitted.

Comments by Members: (3 minutes per member): As a result of instructions from Association Attorney James Arrigo, Members Comments are allowed but not reported in Board Meeting Minutes. If further research is necessary, the Board will respond.

Geri Chaplin – Internet

Jennifer Rossi – Wi Fi

Adjournment: *Tim Flynn made a motion to adjourn at 9:50am, second by Bob Bittner. Motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted,

Audrey Kelly

Recording Secretary