

THE LAKES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
September 25th, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: President Mark Reddie called the September 25th, 2019 Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 7:02 pm.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: President M. Reddie, Secretary R. Miller and Directors A. Lahooti, J. Williams, J. Nelson

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Vice-President M. Rowley, Treasurer R. Rentschler and Directors S. Wong and L. Policar.

Motion #1: Motion to Approve the Agenda.

Motion by Director Lahooti

Seconded by Director Nelson

Motion Passed.

Motion #2: Motion to approve the Minutes of the August 28th, 2019 Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors.

Motion by Director Nelson

Seconded by Director Miller

Motion Passed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Reddie noted that the Board is looking into the best route forward with the tennis courts and the current court damage is being monitored. The basketball courts are complete, and the lighting is underway. The permits for the pool storage facility were granted yesterday and construction has started by the pool house. The entry monument committee met, discussed looking at a scaled down version of the original plan and are working on a new plan. Board member applications are due November 3rd, there will be three spots open. The Board received a letter from a homeowner complimenting the staff and their great character.

COMMUNITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Community Manager Baldanza discussed the pool storage building that is currently going up. It is needed to store the pool cover, aerobic equipment, lane lines and other pool related items. We are working on the lighting on the basketball courts and replacing the lights that are out at the tennis courts. We updated an electric panel that was not to code. The lake is looking good with no golden algae at this time. We will be putting White Amur into the lake to help with weed control. The ducks are coming back because there are no geese at the lake currently. There have been no dead ducks found in the lake in the last three months. Mark Phillips will be discussing the geese and lake health in the Fishing & Boating Committee report. Mark recommended power washing the ledge of the lake to remove any contaminated debris that the ducks can access, which may be a contributing cause of the botulism. There is an SRP dry down coming which will be a good time to clean the ledges. This time of the year, the weather and water changes. The water is a little clearer which causes algae growth. The White Amur help keep this alga down. There will be another water change when the weather turns colder.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activity:

No Report.

Denise Rentschler

Architectural:

No Report.

Jim Ramsey

Ad-Hoc Landscape & Signage:

Mark Reddie

No Report.

Budget & Finance:

Marty Garrett

Written Report.

Fishing & Boating:

Mark Phillips

Verbal Report: Cleaning the shelf of the debris will not get rid of the bacteria that causes the botulism but will push it out of reach of the ducks. We are hoping this cuts down the cases of botulism. Currently, we are only going to stock maintenance fish that help control the weeds, midge flies and mosquitos. The number of fish in the lake is very low due to golden algae outbreaks. Our lake was sterilized with sulfuric acid in the late 90's which made it extremely vulnerable and shortly after, golden algae arrived.

Regarding the geese population, since the geese lay eggs here and return, they are no longer migratory therefore Fish and Wildlife do not deal with them. The USDA is the only entity that is allowed to do anything about the geese. This year about we had about 110 geese. If 90% come back and breed on the lake, there is the potential for hundreds and hundreds of geese imprinting in the community over the next few years. They are messy and leave the parks and docks covered in feces and makes them unusable. The geese attack and kill our ducks, the alpha male will also kill other geese. The Fishing & Boating Committee would like to contract with the USDA to trap the geese, which is what they recommend. Their other option is to spray the eggs with a mineral oil that makes them infertile. The problem with treating the eggs is that we do not know where all their nests are and just treating the eggs will not address the large number of geese that currently return every year. The USDA trapped geese in late 90s, early 2000's as well. An RFA will be proposed at the October meeting.

Lakes Log:

Gloria Hollingsworth

No Report.

Lakes Women's Club:

Launie Harlacher

No Report.

MEMBERS COMMENTS:

Member asked about the results of the recycle surveys. That survey was for the City of Tempe, we were just a drop location. Member asked about recycling for the club. The problem when we had it was that the recycle bin being filled with garbage and we were getting fined.

BOARD OPEN DISCUSSION

President Reddie discussed the idea of allowing stand up paddle boards on the lake and the pros and cons of allowing them.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion #3: Maintain AZ Gold PPO \$1000 80/50 health insurance for full time LCA employees for the 2019/2020 renewal year.

Motion by Director Nelson

Seconded by Director Lahooti

Motion Passed.

Motion #4: Motion to adjourn.

Motion by Director Williams

Seconded by Director Miller

Motion Passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm