

**Lake Iroquois Association
Board Meeting
January 10, 2018**

The regular meeting of the lake Iroquois Association convened at the clubhouse on Wednesday January 10, 2018. The meeting was called to order by president Darrell Aders at 7:04 pm. In attendance were LIA board members Aders, Garbaciak, Rodriquez, Gordon and Shearl. Absent were Draper, and Janson. Also in attendance were several LIA members. The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Attendees were reminded that the meeting is recorded for accuracy and will be erased before the next meeting.

*Motion by Gordon and second by Garbaciak to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2017 meeting.
Motion carried.*

CORRESPONDENCE- Harold Ecker, Loda Fire Chief plans to order fire protection signs later this winter. These are the blue sign numbers used at all rural residences to tell the fire department home locations. Notification, in Arrowhead, to notify anyone needing a new sign should tell the LIA office.

*Motion made by Rodriquez that LIA pay for blue sign numbers for fire protection. Seconded by Shearl.
Motion carried.*

Rita Labarbara reported that the noise at the new sewer plant has been less noticeable than in the past. The LIA board thanked her for her report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE- January 10, 2018, Board Meeting

Financial Report for April 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017

The Lake Iroquois Association Financial Reports from April 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017 were submitted to the Board of Directors for review.

The December 31, 2017 Balance Sheet for Lake Iroquois Association shows \$3,374,860.02 in recorded assets of which \$414,526.67 are in checking or savings accounts or CDs.

The General Fund Budget-vs-Actual report for April 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017 shows \$186,512.67 in Total Income and \$159,283.37 in Total Expense, for a Net Income of \$27,229.30.

The Water Fund Budget-vs-Actual for April 1, 2017 - December 31, 2017 shows \$126,869.03 in Total Income and \$130,189.58 in Total Expense, for a Net Income of - \$3,320.55.

The Wastewater Fund Budget-vs-Actual report for April 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017 shows \$122,472.60 in Total Income and \$93,926.97 in Total Expense, for a Net Income of \$28,545.63.

General Fund Capital Improvements Profit and Loss for April 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017 shows \$1,316.00 in Total Income and \$92,976.07 in Total Expense for a Net Income of -\$91,660.07.

Water/Wastewater Capital Improvements Profit and Loss for April 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017 shows \$300.00 in Total Income and \$0 in Total Expense for a Net Income of \$300.00.

The Fund Balances report for December 31, 2017 shows \$4,700 in the Building Escrow Account; \$123,754.36

in the All-Funds Reserve Accounts; \$84,559.10 in the Wastewater Reserve Fund; \$87,006.89 in the General Fund Operating Accounts; \$35,246.96 in the Water Fund Operating Accounts; \$79,259.36 in the Wastewater Fund Operating Accounts. The total of all LIA funds equals \$414,526.67.

From December 14, 2017 to January 10, 2018 disbursements totaled \$48,622.24. Expenses over \$1000 which should be noted are as follows: \$8,833.32 ERH (Water/Wastewater maintenance for Nov.); \$7,658.15 Schomburg & Schomburg (New Sewer Plant construction); \$7,579 The Cincinnati Insurance (quarterly payment for gen. liability insurance); \$4,251.14 EIEC (\$3,792.98 water/wastewater/lift stations & \$458.16 office, buildings & street lights); \$4,199 USDA (\$2,124.23 interest & \$2,074.77 principal payment on loan #92-01 new sewer plant loan); \$3,328.88 Weber Fertilizer (lime for the park pathway); \$2,107.82 IEPA (quarterly payment for water tower painting loan); \$1,394 USDA (\$829.62 interest & \$564.38 principal payment on loan #92-02 new sewer plant loan).

Financial reports are available for review by any member of LIA at the LIA office upon request.

Respectfully submitted, Tracy Rodriquez, LIA Treasurer

Motion by Garbaciak and second by Gordon to approve finance report. Motion carried.

Mike Wilson of Eastern ILLINI Electric Cooperative (EIEC) attended the meeting to take any questions and give further details about the un-billed electrical service. EIEC has begun billing LIA in December for one year of the unbilled service. The monthly amount of \$500 is being added to our bill. EIEC is trying to build a history of actual usage on the water treatment and new sewage plant. The use this last month was 28,000 KWhrs. EIEC had estimated that we would use 24,000 KW hrs.

Mike had delivered a capital credit check of \$1,400 to association. This is an annual credit check from the cooperative.

Roads/Buildings: Becky presented the map of proposed 2018 road work. The map was color coded to advise the board of roads that will receive work this year. The estimated cost of the work is \$34,000. This amount will be considered as part of the final budget.

Water/Wastewater report: January 10, 2018

In December we pumped 1,676,000 gallons of water 15,000 gallons more than last month and 229,000 gallons more than last year. Water use is as expected. We did normal maintenance at our water plant.

New Sewer Plant: We are still having issues at the new plant with the subzero weather we have been having freezing problems. The contractor and engineers have been addressing this with heat trace wiring - insulating - by passing and heaters in the tanks. There is still a lot of work to do and we are trying to stay in compliance with the E P A. The plans for the water infiltration are under review and will be addressed as soon as possible.

The insulation for the blowers and manifolds has been installed and we have seen/heard a great improvement in noise reduction.

Another problem with the new plant is with foreign material hanging up and blocking the valves in the plant

PLEASE - PLEASE - PLEASE DO NOT DISCARD SANITARY PRODUCTS INTO THE TOILET OR DISCARD 'WIPES' INTO YOUR GARBAGE DISPOSAL .

Respectfully Submitted
Steve Garbaciak

Motion by Shearl second by Gordon to approve the water/wastewater report. Motion carried

ERH REPORT: No report

LIA RECREATION COM REPORT: LIA RECREATION COM REPORT

January 10, 2018

The story line for recent weeks at LIA has been the weather-snow and deep freeze cold.

LIA members and their guests have taken advantage of the winter weather to do; ice fishing, snowmobile riding, sledding and the newest *activity* “dog walking on the icy lake.”

The main task for the LIA board in these next few weeks is developing the 2018-19 budget.

The Recreation budget in rough form has been submitted. I am sure it will receive a few edits. *The main* thing I have to report is all our vendors are holding firm on their prices. We will be doing our usual maintenance of the many activity areas enjoyed by the members.

Several items being *proposed for the LIA 50th celebration will relate to recreation* activities or the park areas. These new projects and ideas if accepted will be funded by contributions. It is the addition of special activities *and facilities* that continue the improvement of LIA as a great place to live and own property. Respectfully submitted, Jim Shearl, chair

Motion by Garbaciak and second by Becky Gordon to approve the report. Motion carried

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: No new members

Security Report: Security Report

December 14, 2017 through January 9, 2018

We logged a total of six hours during the past month. Majority of time was spent on phone calls and follow-up. Most calls this month involved nuisance dogs barking excessively during the day, and into the evening hours. Met with or communicated with the dog owners and members to see if we could get resolution. In most cases, the neighbors resolved the issues themselves, but we have at least one dog that continues to be a nuisance and annoyance to the neighborhood. I have drafted a suggested letter (thanks to those members who provided samples), for the Board to approve and to be sent to those dog owners whose animal continues to be a nuisance. We can currently “suspend privileges” for this violation, but I would recommend that a fine be added as well.

Followed up on complaints about a vehicle driving on lawns and taking down an LIA road sign. Several members have also addressed similar issues with vehicle owners or members of their household, and thus far have gotten some temporary resolution.

I issued some blue flags to a couple of snowmobilers that stopped by an offered proof of insurance and DNR registration. Delivered a new vehicle sticker and Handbook and made limited “rounds.”

In preparation for the upcoming lake activity, I'd like to recommend that we purchase blue flags for unregistered vehicles and blue stickers for watercraft in 2018. Respectfully submitted, Richard and the Security Team

Tracy Rodriguez commented on identity of snowmobiles being driven on LIA property. The requirement is proof of insurance, and the placement of a LIA sticker and flag on the vehicle. If the vehicle will not receive a flag a sticker is sufficient. The board agreed with these procedures.

The board discussed flag and sticker colors for the 2018 year. The flags will be fluorescent pink with white letters and the stickers blue with white letters.

A motion by Rodriguez and second by Gordon to approve the security report. Motion carried.

Ad Hoc committees: No reports

FACILITIES OPERATIONS MANAGER: JANUARY 10, 2018

Maintenance: Performed general maintenance on equipment.

Put two more lights to shine on the flag and replaced the broken one.

Rebuilt the wood frame that holds the letter sign, gave it a cleaning and re-installed it.

Roads: Plowed snow, spread sand when needed hauled in sand to stockpile for roads

Old Business: Status of the Hoff dispute. No new information at this time.

Status of Specchio suite. Specchio attorney has withdrawn from the case.

50th Anniversary Meeting December 27, 2017 Report

A meeting was convened to discuss the current status of each project for the LIA 50th anniversary year. The meeting lasted just under an hour and the following topics were discussed.

Donation Projects:

- Park pathway-Draper reported \$2175 has been donated to the project to date. Pathway is in use and tenth mile markers have been installed.
- Stone Sign for back entrance (North)-The cost of the stone entrance could vary in cost depending on the interest shown by membership this year.
- Fountain/Aerator for fishing pond-Jim Shearl reported that Bill Hancock's company, which sprays around lake, provides service that would install Kasco fountain/aerator in the spring and remove and store in the fall. The fountain has LED lights that would illuminate and be visible from the 700 rd. The two tier fountain cost is approximately \$4000 and the LED lights are approximately \$1200. Labor would be approximately \$1000. Bringing total cost to approximately \$6200.
- LIA history publication-Sandi Ostrowski gave update on her research for the LIA history. The order of permits for homes built at lake will be listed. Bass club history will be approximately 5 pages with pictures. LIA history 1968-1993 will be approximately 25 pages (1700 words). The second half history 1994-2018 will be approximately 34 pages (2900 words). Publication includes dedications to Norma Matson and Emmett Beherns and tributes to Caitlynn Riblet and Natalie Johnson. Dedication to Ken Kulow. Early years by Fran Martin (5 pages). Vance's first baby at lake. Publication will consist of approximately 100 total pages. Printer (Angel Kimberly) in Paxton was recommended by Shearl. March projected as goal to submit to publisher.
- 5K/10K/Walk/Run-Ken McMillen reported that he, Carl Larsen, and Jay Bennett have discussed the race. An April or May race would be preferred with a date that did not conflict with other local race dates. Multiple races (5K, 10K, and walk around new pathway) were discussed. Ken indicated that Bayles Lake and Lake Iroquois would be needed to put a 10K race on but that Iroquois lake only could be used for the 5K run and walk around park pathway. Notification to running clubs in area should be

issued once date and races are established. Carl Larsen will look into timers for races if feasible cost. Volunteers will be needed also for races.

Dedication Projects:

- Park Bench-location of benches in park was discussed. Other locations in the park near activity centers (playground, baseball field, tennis courts, and pool) were also mentioned as locations with more usage.
- Lamp post (solar)-Location at boat ramp was discussed.
- Trees-Jim Shearl reported that the tree cost should vary from \$100-\$300 depending on size and variety of tree. Also it was recommended that trees should be planted in the fall in order to avoid having to water trees all summer. Nursery would plant trees for \$200 labor.

Dedication plaque content was also discussed to include dedicators family or individual name and dedicatees name with title and years of life.

Flower planters will be painted by Sandi Ostrowski once flower planters are placed at clubhouse and pool.

Draper suggested LIA beautification committee for 50th anniversary to include any member volunteer. The women's club and fishing club have performed various tasks mentioned by Draper i.e. garbage pickup around lake and in lake.

Sandi Ostrowski also reported on the status of the LIA history book. She is making great progress and wants to go to the printer as soon as possible this spring. She is still looking for more LIA history pictures and more details about early houses build at LIA. Members are asked to contact Sandi or the LIA office with their additional information.

The board decided that a letter would be mailed to the members regarding the LIA 50th dedication projects. There will be a return form that the members can use to indicate their interest in donating to support a particular category.

New Business: Budget for 2018-2019 work tabled until the next meeting.

Motion by Rodriquez and second by Gordon to go into executive session.

Motion by Gordon second by Garbaciak to go back into session.

There being no further business motion by Gordon and second by Garbaciak to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:28 pm