

Austin Lake Riparian Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
February 5, 2013 – 7:00pm  
Wightman & Associates – 9835 Portage Rd - Portage, MI 49002

In attendance: Kirk Wolf, Brian Johnson, Larry Pio, Gary Hahn, Steve Higgins, Win Larsen, Dan Peacock, Jim Pearson, Dani Kinder

1. Discussion and approval of minutes from June 13, 2012 meeting (Guilford) – previously approved
2. Treasurer’s Report (Pio)
  - a. General Fund – \$ 3722.87
  - b. Lake Improvement Fund - \$ 113.70
  - c. Social Fund - \$ 500
3. Newsletter / Website Report (Young) Norm will be on vacation from 3/16 to 4/19, so we will plan a later meeting in May. May 22 selected. We will rent Austin Room at library, and adjacent room. Jim will invite Sheriff’s representative. We will have update on aeration.
  - a. Advertising summary – none yet.
  - b. Resident postings on the website – none yet.
  - c. Website advertising – none yet.
4. Social Committee Report (Kinder) – no activities scheduled yet, but similar to last year.
5. Old Business
  - a. Lake safety sign (Larsen). Win offered a selection of language for a sign, and we favored boating safety laws. Win will review with Rich at A-1 signs, get a draft to review.
  - b. Review pontoon trailer purchase agreement (Kinder) – Dani provided contract, and we signed it. She will email copy of signed contract to board members so it is available for our records. Newsletter should have info on rental location. Kirk will inform Gary we will have an alternative. He has not given money yet for 2012, and that should also be discussed. We do not have expectations that Gary will continue with the agreement, and the trailer will be left with him, pending these discussions. We should thank Gary for his work for us, and the donations, in the newsletter.
  - c. Riparian communication – neighborhood captains (Guilford) – Some sections still don’t have captains. Assignment for follow-up on these sections:
    - i. Jim will take East Shore 1
    - ii. Kirk will take Woodlawn 5
    - iii. Dani will take Woodlawn 2
    - iv. Win has two still to do, including Harris
    - v. Kirk will take East Shore 5
    - vi. Steve still has one of the East Shore high numbers
  - d. GLB (Johnson) - A 30 page interim report is now available on our web site. Initial results include 0.9 feet depth improvement at aerator test sites,

and 0.5 feet at control sites. Weed reduction noted. Jenifer will be invited to meeting. A map of the control sites is suggested.

6. New Business

- a. Riparian newsletter discussion – Jim will lead ad sales. Kirk had suggestions for inclusion in newsletter, and took additional ideas. We will complete newsletter by email, and prepare to receive final copies in time to mail them on May 6.
  - b. Date for annual meeting – May 22, 2013; 7:00 PM at Portage Library
  - c. A bill was presented for the Michigan Riparian subscriptions. We will include Dani, Brett, and Norm on our request. Steve indicated he had not been getting a subscription – we will have to work to be sure when new members are elected, either a new subscription is entered, or the previous subscription is changed. Note: our current subscription expires March 3. It would be better if it expired June 1, so the entire board is known at the time of subscription. We will also include in the newsletter information so residents can also subscribe directly to the Riparian, if they wish.
7. Date / Time of next meeting – we will meet on May 6 at 7:00 PM at Wightman to discuss annual meeting agenda, and mail the newsletters.
8. Adjournment at 8:21 PM.