

## Austin Lake Governmental Lake Board (ALGLB) Meeting Minutes 09Dec15 - Final

Location: Portage City Hall Conference Room #1  
(Publically noticed by both City of Portage and Kalamazoo County)

Call to Order: 3:02 pm by Chairman Ed Sackley

Members present: Ed Sackley, Pat Crowley, Brian Johnson and Jim Pearson. Member absent with excuse: Scott McGraw. Nasim Ansari, newly appointed by the Portage City Council as an ALGLB Member effective January 1, 2016, was present as were 17 members of the public.

Minutes of the March 16, 2015 ALGLB meeting were approved by a 4-0 vote.

Chairman Sackley stated that he notified the City of Portage Clerk in November of his intention to retire as ALGLB Chairman and Treasurer effective at the end of 2015. A letter of this intention dated December 9, 2015 was distributed to ALGLB members. The letter stated that Mr. Sackley would remain available after his retirement to assist in any matters related to a smooth transition to new leadership in service to Austin Lake riparians and the City of Portage. ALGLB members thanked Mr. Sackley for his more than 7 years of ALGLB leadership.

Chairman Sackley updated the Board with the most current November 30, 2015 Balance Sheet & Profit and Loss Statement. A balance of \$129,717.55 on deposit at First National Bank of Michigan was reported. Motion by Crowley to accept financial statements, seconded by Johnson. Passed 4-0.

Chairman Sackley summarized the aeration project as running under budget due to 1) using more energy efficient pumps than anticipated; 2) obtaining less costly liability insurance; and 3) the ability to obtain a significant rebate for project infrastructure set-up costs from Consumers Energy. The ability to assess the County for up to 25% of project costs (according to the Inland Lake Act) instead of just \$10,000 was brought up by a citizen/riparian and discussed.

Chairman Sackley lead a discussion on muck reduction totals to date. The results of the 4<sup>th</sup> year of aeration (2015 season) will be reported to the ALGLB by our scientific consultant around Jan-March 2016. The project has one aeration season left in the 5-year project. Discussion then followed on the progress demonstrated to date and possible future options.

Chairman Sackley asked the Board to accept his resignation effective Jan 1, 2016. Motion by Crowley, seconded by Johnson to accept the resignation. Passed 4-0.

Election for Chairman: Motion by Pearson, seconded by Sackley to nominate Brian Johnson as the next Chairman. Passed 4-0.

Election for Treasurer: Motion by Pearson, seconded by Johnson to nominate Pat Crowley as the next Treasurer. Passed 4-0.

Chairman Sackley requested adoption of a resolution that First National Bank of Michigan authorizes new signatories. Motion by Sackley, seconded by Crowley that Pat Crowley, as newly elected Treasurer, and Brian Johnson, as newly elected Chairman, be designated the sole signatories of the First National Bank of Michigan account for the ALGB effective January 1, 2016. Passed 4-0.

Public Comment Period:

Chairman-elect Johnson made opening statements on differential assessing methods and ways to enhance communication with riparians. Discussion followed with citizen input on both topics.

Meeting adjourned at 4:20pm.

Submitted by Jim Pearson,  
ALGLB Secretary