

Austin Lake Governmental Lake Board (ALGLB) Meeting Minutes FINAL – 10May17

Location: Portage City Hall Council Chambers
(Publically noticed: Kalamazoo Gazette, City of Portage, Kalamazoo County and austinlakeportage.com)

Call to Order: 7:06 pm by Chairman Brian Johnson

Members present: Brian Johnson, Pat Crowley, Scott McGraw, Nasim Ansari and Jim Pearson. Project consultant Jennifer Jermalowicz-Jones (Restorative Lake Sciences) and project contractor John Tucci (Lake Savers) were present as were approximately 110 members of the public.

Approval of March 17, 2017 Minutes. Approved 5-0

Treasurer Pat Crowley updated the Board with the current Financial Statement. The ALGLB bank account balance as of May 10, 2017 was approximately \$89,000 following the final \$26,786.25 loan payment due to the County.

Lake scientist consultant Jennifer Jermalowicz-Jones (Restorative Lake Sciences) reported on the just completed 5-year Aeration/Bioaugmentation Project.

Several citizens gave opinions for and against project continuation. Questions were asked about the results and how to get more technical information. John Tucci, project contractor (Lake Savers), assisted Jennifer in answering some of the questions.

GLB Members asked technical questions and discussed the possible scope, assessment apportionment and length of time for project continuation.

Public Comment – Citizens and ALGLB members interacted in a Q&A session until citizens asked no more questions.

Chairman Johnson adjourned the Practicability meeting so that Jennifer Jermalowicz-Jones could clarify historical muck reduction data. Secretary Pearson stated that by State law the ALGLB must continue the Practicability hearing within 10 days and that the next meeting will be noticed at Portage City Hall, Kalamazoo County, Austin Lake Website (www.austinlakeportage.com) and emailed to all residents on the Austin Lake Riparian email distribution list.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm

Submitted by Jim Pearson, ALGLB Secretary

Postscript: Continuation of the ALGLB Practicability hearing was noticed on May 15th to resume on Friday, May 19th at 3 pm in City Hall Council Chambers.