**Arbutus Lake Association, Inc**

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**ArbutusLakeAssociation.org**

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**General Membership Meeting Minutes**

**Camp Haza-Witka**

**August 13, 2023**

**Meeting called to order** by President Sue Foster at 10:30 AM.

**Board Members present:** President Sue Foster, Vice President Keith Day, Treasurer Randy Bancino,, Secretary Theresa Cook, Jodi Derylo, Brandon Falenski, Edie Gibbs, Nancy McCullick, Cindy Swift, Allyson Tinker (taking notes for Theresa), Harry Knol, and David

Endicott .

Excused: Mike Bobrowski

President Sue Foster introduced the Board, then asked the general membership to introduce themselves and state which lake # they were on.

Foster asked that a motion be made to abbreviate the meeting by suspending approvals of agenda, minutes and treasurer’s reports. Day made the motion and it was approved.

**Guest Speaker-** Ralph Bednarz from the Michigan Shoreline Alliance was the speaker. He said that his group is trying to change the mindset of riparian owners and lake associations about how we try to manage our lakes. We need to protect the lakes and land because it can’t be fixed after the fact. Wake boats were discussed and the only place they should be used is in the middle of 2nd lake because of the depth and distance from the shore. Owners are not the problem; it is the boats brought in from outside the lake.

**Birth Announcement-** Endicott announced to the general membership that there is a loon baby!! There were two but only one survived, it is continues to thrive.

**Swag-**McCullick stated that 127 hats were sold. She asked about interest in more hats and boat flags and it was a resounding yes!

**Turtle Cove Update-**McCullick announced that we have raised all the money needed with a final grant that was approved. Woo-Hoo!!

**Thank-you presentation-** Foster turned the floor over to Scott Tinker. He spoke about and all the donations and help that went into raising the money to protect Turtle Cove. He presented a thank-you certificate to Casey and Dana ??? who were huge contributors and helped arrange the project. He thanked all that were involved.

**PROJECT REPORTS**

**Newsletter-** Derylo reported that the newsletter will be sent in September. Please see Theresa Cook if you need to update your email address because you are not receiving it.

**Website- ArbutusLakeAssociation.org-** McCullick continues to update.

**Government Relations-** The Zoning ordinances are being rewritten by the Township. Please think about attending a meeting so that our voices can be heard.

The Mueller property has been purchased by the city and has been added to the Brown Bridge Quiet Area.

**Water Level Report-** Falenski reported that the level is checked monthly and recorded.

**Water Quality and Testing-** Gibbs reported that the quality is also checked monthly.

**Welcome packets-**McCullick stated that neighbor to neighbor is the best way to get information about new residents.

**Meeting Adjourned-** at 11:20AM. Motion by Derylo with second by Swift. Motion carried.

**2023 Meeting Calendar**

* September 16 @ 9AM, EBT Hall

Minutes submitted by Theresa Cook, Secretary