

**Arbutus Lake Association, Inc**  
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**ArbutusLakeAssociation.org**

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**General Membership Meeting Minutes**  
**East Bay Township Hall**  
**July 20, 2024**

**Meeting called to order** by President Sue Foster at 9:00 AM.

**Board Members present:** President Sue Foster, Vice President Keith Day, Treasurer Randy Bancino, Secretary Theresa Cook, Jodi Derylo, David Endicott, Brandon Falenski, Harry Knol, Nancy McCullick, Cindy Swift, and Allyson Tinker. Excused: Edie Gibbs. Absent: Mike Bobrowski

**Agenda-** approved by motion from Day and seconded by Derylo with the addition of action items about boat rentals and Score the Shore. Motion carried.

**Minutes-** The April notes were reviewed and approved with a motion by Falenski and second by Endicott. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report-** The insurance was paid this week. Falenski wondered if it would be worth it to purchase chemicals ahead at a lower price and store them. The storage and shelf life might be an issue. Knol will look into it. We need to notify members about the dues increase. Bancino will email members Report was approved after a motion from Derylo and second by Day.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**Flag Sale-**Derylo suggested that the members order their own flags, as it is not able to be a fundraiser. She will inform the membership of the process to order them. There is not enough time to purchase one to give away at the general meeting.

**Boat Wash-** The wash will be held on August 16<sup>th</sup> from 9-2. Tinker asked for volunteers. We will also ask for volunteers at the general meeting.

**Dues increase-** This issue was already discussed and passed by the membership.

**Board Elections-** It was discussed whether the president should be elected directly by the general membership or should be appointed by the board from its members. Day moved to investigate this practice and Derylo second.

**By-Law Changes-**The draft of the proposed changes was approved by the Board and will be put before the general members at the meeting.

**Boat Rentals/Marinas-**It was reported that there have been boats going the wrong way around the lake, anchoring in front of private residences, and getting out of their boats onto private property. Falenski will draft a letter to rental property owners asking them to better educate their boat users. It will be mailed to the owner along with lake information. We will coincidentally file a complaint with the Township about boat rentals at the old Shadycrest resort. It appears that they are renting boats to outside people, not just their cabin renters, which makes it seem like a marina.

**Score the Shore-**It was moved by Falenski to kill this issue, since it seems to be very expensive and not as helpful as was first thought. Bancino Seconded and the motion passed.

**PROJECT REPORTS**

**Newsletter-** Nothing until fall

**Website- [ArbutusLakeAssociation.org](http://ArbutusLakeAssociation.org)** Nothing new.

**Government Relations-** Zoning Board of Appeals - None  
Parks Commission - Ongoing discussion regarding Phase 2 (playground equipment) improvements at Arbutus No. 5  
Planning Commission - Zoning Ordinance rewrite meeting on 7/16/24 included the Board of Trustees. Several suggestions were raised which would impact the Lakes Area district.  
Board of Trustees - None

**Invasive Species-**Knol is looking at treating for phragmites this fall. He would like to spray around the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in September.

**Water Level Report- Water Level:** 804.57' Above Sea Level This is 0.96" higher than the measurement from the same date, last year. This is 0.12" lower than our last measurement of last year. This is 3.12" lower than the first measurement of 2024, after ice out. The lake is still 7.80" below the record high and 31.68" above the record low. Since ice out, we have received 12.88" of precipitation.

**Loons-** The Michigan Loon Preservation Association contacted Endicott. They were collecting information about the loon activity on our lake, especially about nesting.

**Water Quality and Testing-**The first group of samples are currently at the lab.

**Potluck-**Derylo will be there are 8am. The set up will be at 9am. Volunteers are needed to set up. The meeting will begin at 10am with breakfast first and then the meeting. Two reminder emails will be sent out.

**Meeting Adjourned-** at 12:37pm.

#### **2024 Meeting Calendar**

- August 11 @ 10 AM Camp Hayo-Went-Ha - General Membership Potluck
- September 21<sup>st</sup> @ 9AM EBT Hall

Minutes compiled by Theresa Cook, Secretary