

CLEAR LAKE ASSOCIATION  
SPRING MEETING MINUTES

August 31, 2008

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CALL TO ORDER: President Rob Reed called the meeting to order at 2:10p.m.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS: President-Rob Reed, Vice President-Bob Fagan, Secretary-Pam Hughes Treasurer-Mary Griffin & Members at Large-Claude & Jane Pepper.

RESIDENTS PRESENT: See page #2.

READING OF LAST YEARS MINUTES: Pam Hughes read Meeting Minutes from June 2007. Minutes approved.

TREASURER REPORT: Account balance as of 8/31/08 is \$2,632.45.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

WEED CONTROL COMMITTEE: Vice President Bob Fagan distributed a report from EnviroScience. The report suggested additional stocking to "accelerate weevil population growth".

Not based on the report, it was mentioned that by observation, the weeds seem to be decreasing in some areas.

Bob also reported that divers were in the lake this past week collecting weed samples. Tom Alwind, a student from the MSU Fish and Wildlife area is conducting a study comparing the weevil population and the effect the weevils are having on the milfoil over a period of time. Tom is working towards his PHD and will share his report sometime in December.

HISTORIAN: Kelly Thompson shared that the Clear Lake history book is coming together nicely. Doug Haneline and Marian Beadle have also contributed to the completion of the book. Kelly encouraged members to continue sending her more historical information. Kelly's contact information is:

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W: 591-5375 or H: 796-2641  
E-mail: [thom30@ferris.edu](mailto:thom30@ferris.edu)  
Address: 23460 19 Mile Road  
Big Rapids MI 49307

REPORT OF AD HOC COMMITTEES:

RESIDENTIAL LIST UPDATE: Secretary Pam Hughes asked that all members present update their email and address information on a circulated list.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: It was motioned to retain the current officers. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS: \_\_\_ The web site for Clear Lake is available at:

[http://webpages.charter.net/rburtch/Clear\\_Lake/index.htm](http://webpages.charter.net/rburtch/Clear_Lake/index.htm)

Thanks to Rob and Chris Burtch for setting up the site. The address to the site was handed out to the membership and everyone was encouraged to visit the site. From now on, the meeting minutes will be posted on the site.

It was asked of the membership if an updated correspondence should be sent to the DNR to keep the public access? In answer to the question, a list of pros and cons will be posted on the web site for future discussion.

NEW BUSINESS: The Nuser's lake resident and the vacant lot on the east side have been purchased.

Bears - a couple of sightings on north end of lake.

Snails – President Rob Reed presented a couple of articles about snails because the south side of the lake has had many snails this summer.

Geese - The Fenby's suggested using a 8 to 9" rope line across the yard to prevent the geese from hanging out on a lawn.

Lake health - Bob Fagan is corresponding with the health department to test for ecoli levels in the lake.

Stocking lake with fish – Bob Fagan asked the membership if it would like to restock the lake. He is looking at stocking more bluegill and perch, then in a couple of years, walleye. Typically, the stocking fees are paid by donations. If members want to participate, please send donations to Bob.

NEXT MEETING: Next Spring.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 3:05p.m.

Members present:

Jeriel & Carol Jean Beard  
Jane & Claude Pepper  
Chris & Rob Burtch  
Sheila & Ed Meier  
Bob & Cindy Fagan  
Scott & Shirley Palma  
Chuck & Inge Spaulding  
Rick Eldridge  
Dick & Barb Fenby  
Don & Carol Cochran  
John Wallsteadt  
Rob Reed  
Kelly Thompson  
Chris & Christine Berke  
Tom Langley  
Mike & Pam Hughes  
Ott & Helen Gingrich  
Marge Prince  
Mary Griffin