

September 21, 2016
MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
LAKE JOHANNA IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY

The Lake Johanna Improvement Society Board of Directors met to conduct a discussion regarding a request from the Lametti Homeowners Association.

Members present:

Keith Gilbert, President
Roberta Thompson, Secretary
Paul Rolvaag, Treasurer
Jon Hartman
Marie Salveson
Sasha Myers

Members Absent:

Tim Quesnell
Joel Kennedy

Minutes:

A representative of the Lametti Homeowners Association sent an email to the LJIS Board members requesting that LJIS assist with the cost of repairing a holding pond that, if reached capacity, would run into the lake.

The Lametti Homeowners' Association consists of 14 lots. All members of the Association share about 400 feet of shoreline in a "common area". The common area also contains a holding pond. This holding pond has a culvert that allows water from the pond to enter the Lake. The pond was originally designed with wooden barriers to help remove sediment and containments before water entered the Lake, but the wooden structure is now broken and no longer serves its intended purpose.

The Board reviewed the facts and discussed the key aspects of the requests. Based on photos and viewing of the pond and weir system, it seems to be in need of repair, but is performing the purpose of holding the water before entering the lake.

Since the primary effort of LJIS is to manage aquatic plants through a spraying program, it was discussed that this needed to continue to be the priority. LJIS has not supported run-off situations for the other 4 Associations or 2 Institutions on Lake Johanna.

It was agreed that LJIS members have paid dues with the intent of the funding to be used for weed and algae treatment, as well as for LJIS events (picnic, winter gathering, etc.) and administrative costs. It would be contradictory of the LJIS member expectations to use the funding for other projects. Invasive species (Eurasian milfoil and zebra mussel) will inevitably need to be treated and the funds will be extensively used for this treatment. Members would not expect to pay an additional fee since the funds are set aside for this purpose.

A motion was made by Jon Hartman to deny the Lametti Homeowners Association request to fund the weir project on their property. The motion was seconded by Paul Rolvaag.

The vote was unanimous to accept the motion.

Keith Gilbert will draft the letter in response to the request from the Lametti Homeowners Association.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by
Roberta Thompson, Secretary