

Kalamazoo Lake Harbor Authority

Douglas & Saugatuck, Michigan

May 18, 2021 @ 7:00 PM

Remote Meeting

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order:** By VanLoon at 7:00 PM
2. **Roll Call:** Present – Klungle, North, Naumann, Trester, VanLoon
~~Absent – Klungle~~
Also Present – Douglas City Manager LaBombard, Deputy Clerk Howell
3. **Approval of Agenda:**
 - A. May 18, 2021 – Motion by Trester, with support from Naumann, to approve the May 18, 2021 meeting agenda as presented. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.
4. **Approval of Minutes:**
 - A. April 20, 2021 meeting minutes - Motion by Naumann, with support from North, to approve the April 20, 2021 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.
5. **Approval of Invoices:** No Invoices.
6. **Public Communications:**
 - A. Written: None.
 - B. Verbal (Limit of three (3) minutes): None.
7. **Unfinished Business:**
 - A. Township Resolution of Intent to Join KLHA: Jon Helmrich informed VanLoon via email that both cities are in agreement with the Township joining. There is some legal work to do, but they are hoping to have two appointees at the July meeting.
 - B. Role of KLHA: Members present would like to table this discussion until all municipalities have members represented in the KLHA.
 - C. Recording Duties, Meeting Location, and Rotation: Members present would like to table this discussion until all municipalities have members represented in the KLHA.
 - D. Aquatic Weed Treatment: June 17 is the date of the first application for both Douglas and Saugatuck. Saugatuck is still in the process of verifying with private landowners who want to participate, but the public project is ready to go forward.
 - E. Buoys: Buoys are installed up and down the river. There was a question as to whether the Township's have been installed.
 - F. Blue Star Bridge Naming: The understanding is that the City of Saugatuck's policy is to wait a year before any naming. Members agreed to take this item off future agendas until further notice.
8. **New Business:**
 - Lake Levels Report – No discussion.

9. **Public Comments:** None.

10. **Reports:**

A. Committee Reports

- i. Harbor Safety Sub-Committee
 - a. VanLoon: No update on navigational lighting.
- ii. Douglas Harbor Authority – LaBombard: The DHA met and discussed all the parks activities that are connected to our bodies of water.
Point Pleasant Marina: The majority of it is rented out, the public restroom is open, but since it's not ADA compliant, we've added a handicap port-a-pot. We have fire extinguishers, trash cans, mutt mitts, a bike rack, DPW has cleared a large swath of heavy vegetation adjacent to the boardwalk area and are attempting to grow grass there. Soil erosion measures are in place. Looking at a proposal for Edgewater to lay out a plan for the marina for us.
Wades Bayou: The rowing dock is in the water, but we're waiting for parts. The painting on the wellhouse needs to be freshened up. The DHA Chairman suggested we get ahold of the high school art teacher in a volunteer effort.
Union Street boat launch: The DPW is replacing the old dock with a new aluminum dock, which should be in soon.
Douglas Beach access stairs: They should be substantially complete in time for the ribbon-cutting ceremony on May 28 at 5:30 p.m.
Veterans' Park: There is a public access boardwalk that is connected to the Swingbridge PUD that has fallen into disrepair, so we'll be pressing them to repair it. We'll also be removing a large dead tree there.
Schultz Park: The dock is in, complete with rubber rails.
Also, at every park we've installed a sign that says "In the event of an emergency, call 911. Your location is" and gives the park location and nearest major intersection as a safety measure for all of our visitors.

B. Staff Reports

- i. LaBombard – None.
- ii. Heise – Not present
- iii. Frey – Not present

10. **Public Communications:** None.

11. **Authority Member Comments:** VanLoon – Thank you to everybody that made it tonight. It will be exciting when we get the Township on board and can talk about everything we need to talk about as one entity.

12. **Adjournment:** Motion by Trester, with support from VanLoon, to adjourn (7:15 PM).
Motion carried by voice vote.