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**Houghton Lake Improvement Board
Meeting Minutes
March 15, 2016**

Meeting called to order by Secretary-Treasurer Fullmer at 7:00 pm. Mr. Fullmer led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call. Members present, Keith Stiles, David Russo, Jack McCauley, Rex Wolfsen and Norm Fullmer. Member absent, James Deamud. Alternates present, Gary Stefanko, Dick Pastula, Howard Hatherly and Robyn Daniels. Alternates absent, Norm Goddard and Chip McCullough.

Motion by Mr. Russo and supported by Mr. Pastula to approve the minutes of the 9-22-15 regular meeting. All present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Motion by Mr. Russo and supported by Mr. Wolfsen to approve the agenda as presented.
All present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Treasurers Report-Chemical Bank checking account has a balance of \$294,307.58 while the Money Market account has a balance of \$618,393.65 for a total of \$912451.23.

The account balance stated above match the Quick Books account. Total expenditures year to date total \$397,239.13. A pending invoice from the Houghton Lake Resorter for \$238.88 was presented for approval.

Motion by Mr. Pastula and supported by Mr. Wolfsen to accept the treasurers report and pay the invoice to the Houghton Lake Resorter. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Motion by Mr. Russo and supported by Mr. McCauley to adjust budget line "Refunds" account number 722 with an increase of \$152 bringing the total to \$1152 and an adjustment increase of \$7.35 to a total of \$307.25 in the "Office supplies" account number 719. All present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Motion by Mr. Pastula and supported by Mr. Wolfsen to approve the proposed budget as presented beginning 4-1-16 through 3-31-17. Those voting in favor of the motion were Mr. McCauley, Mr. Russo, Mr. Wolfsen, Mr. Pastula and Mr. Fullmer. Mr. Stiles opposed the motion. Motion carries.

Motion by Mr. Russo and supported by Mr. Wolfsen to add Markey Township properties 805-023-0000 and 375-094-0000 both back lot residential to the HLIB assessment role.
All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Motion by Mr. Russo and supported by Mr. Wolfsen to remove Denton Township property 016-002-0100 (1MF6) from the HLIB assessment role. This property is tax exempt per the Roscommon County Treasurer.
All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Motion by Mr. Russo and supported by Mr. Pastula to approve and expenditure of \$5029.90 to continue the boat wash program with Muskegon River Watershed Assembly for the 2016 boating season. Those voting in favor of the motion were Mr. McCauley, Mr., Russo, Mr. Stiles, Mr. Wolfsen, Mr. Pastula and Mr. Fullmer. None were opposed.
Motion carries.

Motion by Mr. Wolfsen and supported by Mr. Stiles to honor the wishes of petition signers in the McKinley Shores and North Cherokee Village (canal systems 5 and 6) to skip chemical treatment in 2016. Those voting in favor of the motion were Mr. McCauley, Mr. Russo, Mr. Pastula, Mr. Wolfsen, Mr. Stiles and Mr. Fullmer. None were opposed. Motion carries.

Motion by Mr. Russo and supported by Mr. Wolfsen authorizing Howard Hatherly to draft a letter of intent to the DNR as a first step in obtaining a permit for the construction of a permanent boat wash facility at the DNR launch site on the south shore of Houghton Lake. All those present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Progressive|ae Report-Mr. Groves reviewed a proposed contract for the coming season. Several questions were asked about the increase of 25% over last year's contract. Mr. Groves explained that additional services were added to the proposed contract. Board members inquired about the per acre cost of treatment. In response to the inquiry Mr. Groves stated the HLIB has a separate contract with Professional Lake Management. A contract with PLM was not presented.

Motion by Mr. Wolfsen and supported by Mr. Stiles to table decision on the proposed Progressive contract. Those voting in favor of the motion were Mr. Stiles, Mr. Wolfsen and Mr. Fullmer. Those opposed to the motion were Mr. McCauley, Mr. Russo and Mr. Pastula. The motion fails due to a tie vote.

Motion by Mr. McCauley and supported by Mr. Pastula to approve the proposed Progressive contract as presented. Those supporting the motion were Mr. McCauley, Mr. Russo and Mr. Pastula. Those opposing the motion were Mr. Wolfsen, Mr. Stiles and Mr. Fullmer. Motion fails due to a tie vote.

Motion by Mr. Wolfsen and supported by Mr. Stiles to have a representative from the HLIB contact Restorative Lake Sciences requesting an alternative proposal for 2016 lake management services. Members supporting the motion were Mr. McCauley, Mr. Russo, Mr. Pastula, Mr. Wolfsen, Mr. Stiles and Mr. Fullmer. Motion carries. Mr. Fullmer was designated to contact RLS.

Motion by Mr. Wolfsen and supported by Mr. Stiles to schedule a special meeting for April 12, 2016 at 7 pm with the location to be determined. Those supporting the motion were Mr. McCauley, Mr. Russo, Mr. Pastula, Mr. Wolfsen, Mr. Stiles and Mr. Fullmer. Motion carries.

Motion by Mr. Russo and supported by Mr. Wolfsen to adjourn at 9:25 pm. All members voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Respectfully submitted
Norm Fullmer Sec/Treas

Future special meeting
April 12, 2016 at 7 pm
Location TBD