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Houghton Lake Improvement Board
Regular Meeting
April 23, 2026

Call to Order by Chair Diane Randall at 7:00 pm.

The members present were Lynn Baese, Diane Randall, Mike Surprenant, David Fedewa, and Norm Fullmer. David Fedewa sat in for Jim Mikolaizik

Darlene Sensor and Chase Schepke were absent.

Eight members of the public were present as well as one alternate member.

Motion by Lynn Baese and supported by Mike Surprenant to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2025 meeting. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carried.

Motion by David Fedewa and supported by Lynn Baese to approve the agenda as presented. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carried.

Motion by Mike Surprenant and supported by David Fedewa to accept the following treasurer's report. Account balances as of 4-23-26 were \$5,277.18 in the checking account, \$563,365.19 in the money market account and \$743,724.65 in the Michigan Class account for a total of \$1,312,367.02. Expenses year to date total \$20,080 All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carried.

Treasurer Fullmer presented to the board year end financials for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2026. The annual audit is scheduled for mid-May.

Tom Harriot representing Spectrum Reach presented a proposal for the 2026 season with more streaming options in addition to cable coverage.

Motion by Norm Fullmer and supported by Lynn Baese to approve the Spectrum Reach proposal in the amount of \$9800.00. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carried.

RLS Report-Dr. Jennifer Jermalowicz reported that canal survey will take place at the end of May with the lake survey to begin in early June. The surveys are contingent on water levels as they are at record high levels. Other topics discussed were canal treatment, plant harvesting, and Cladophora treatment. Sediment testing will be conducted in July or August.

PLM representative Bre Grabill presented to the board a proposal for treatment of the canal systems with a two-part process using Eutrosorb G and Eutrosorb WC in an effort to reduce algae blooms throughout the season. Date of the proposed treatment is contingent on the record high water level receding.

Motion by Norm Fullmer and supported by Lynn Baese to accept the PLM proposal not to exceed fifty-six thousand dollars. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carried.

A harvesting proposal and Cladophora treatment were moved to the June 11, 2026 meeting for consideration.

Public comments were heard from Craig Cotterman, Dave Bisbe, Dustin Scripter and Dustin Truzynski.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:29 pm.

Next Meeting
June 11, 2026
DentonTownship Hall

Respectfully submitted.
Norm Fullmer
Secretary-Treasurer