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**Houghton Lake Improvement Board  
Regular Meeting  
August 22, 2023**

Call to Order by Chairman Lynn Baese at 7:03 pm.

Members present were Pam Bale, Norm Fullmer, Jim Mikolaizik, Lynn Baese, Darlene Sensor, and Diane Randall. Mike Suprenant was absent.

Alternate members present. John Hines.

Approximately seven members of the public were in attendance.

**Motion** by Jim Mikolaizik and supported by Pam Bale to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2023, meeting. All members voting in the affirmative motion carried.

**Motion** by Diane Randall and supported by Darlene Sensor to approve the agenda as presented. All members present voting in the affirmative motion carried.

**Motion** by Pam Bale and supported by Diane Randall to accept the following treasurer's report. Account balances as of 8-22-23 are \$8,798.03 in the checking account, \$375,783.62 in the money market account and \$409,975.24 in the CD account for a total of \$ 794,556.89. Expenses year to date total 137,131.25 All members present voting in the affirmative motion carried.

**Motion** by Jim Mikolaizik and supported by Pam Bale to adjust the following budget line item. Increase line item "Insurance" (account 711) by \$105 bringing the total to \$3,105 and reduce the line item "Conferences"

(account 709) by \$105 for a total of \$1395. Members voting in favor of the motion were Jim Mikolaizik, Pam Bale, Lynn Baese, Darlene Sensor, Diane Randall, and Norm Fullmer. The motion carried.

2022 audit results were provided to board members.

Nine of sixteen acres in the Long Point canal system were treated for blue green algae on August 9 with satisfactory results.

**RLS Report**-Dr. Jermalowicz-Jones introduced new RLS employee Ben Shermerhorn to the board.

The Michigan Wild Rice Initiative and phosphorus data from the Houghton Lake Flats were discussed.

RLS will be out on the lake in September to conduct sediment testing in six locations.

New signage was installed by Lynn Baese, Mike Surprenant, Jim Mikolaizik and Norm Fullmer with the assistance of DNR personnel Rachel Roberts, Logan Graff, and Ken Bragg at the three DNR launch sites.

Diane Randall and Norm Fullmer will meet later to discuss address updates for the assessment rolls.

Darlene Sensor gave an update on the Houghton Lake SAD and dam repairs.

Public comment was heard from Bob Sredzinski. and Pat Inman.

**Motion** by Norm Fullmer and supported by Pam Bale to adjourn at 7:47 pm. All members voting in the affirmative motion carried.

Respectfully submitted.  
Norm Fullmer  
Secretary-Treasurer

Next Meeting  
October 3, 2023  
Lake Township Hall