

**LCPOA BOARD MEETING
APRIL 21, 2007**

President Don Ystad called the April 21, 2007 meeting to order at 9:09 a.m.

Directors Present: Ystad, Osgood, Lipski, Schroeder, Schneider, Wickersham, Grisham, Lemke, and Geiger

Motion by Grisham, 2nd by Lemke to approve the minutes from the March 17, 2007 Board Meeting. Carried.

The March 2007 Treasurer's Report was presented and accepted.

Chad Ziegler, Water Superintendent for the Rome Water Utility spoke briefly regarding the water boil that has been on since Wednesday. He explained the reason for the boil is due to a water main break. He hopes to have the boil lifted by tonight. Members can call the Water Utility phone number for message up-dates and should watch notices posted at the Town Hall, the Lodge, Town of Rome's website, etc. for up-dates.

Membership Comments

Pat Pisellini spoke on Gypsy Moths. There are three spray blocks set to be done in May. Landowners in the spray blocks have until April 27, 2007 to pay for the spraying. If payment isn't received from all participants in the spray block the spraying won't take place. Pat requested help from the board to reach the members that haven't paid yet. Chairman Ystad instructed Pat to work with the office staff to send out payment reminders and LCPOA will pay for the postage.

Chairman Ystad received a letter from the Town of Rome. July 14, 2007 is the town's sesquicentennial and there will be a parade. Interested parties can enter floats in the parade for a \$10.00 fee. Anyone interested should contact Don Ystad.

Chairman Ystad announced to the membership that at the April 12, 2007 town board meeting, a motion was made to rescind an earlier motion to hire a mediator to resolve the camper/zoning dispute. Town Board Chairman, Phil McLaughlin would like to resolve the matter without mediation and has requested a recommendation from the LCPOA Board. The LCPOA Board wishes to communicate to the Town Board Members their wishes to resolve the ongoing camper/zoning dispute quickly and without further delay. The LCPOA Board unanimously recommends an ordinance be adopted allowing a single camping unit per lot in the LD district, with a provision for a single, occasional guest camping unit, where arrangements are made for proper septic disposal. The occasional guest camping permit should be for a period of time not to exceed 10 days, and not for back-to-back time periods. Our association is willing to manage and control the guest camper policy within our membership.

Betty Fredericks, Lot 18, Woodbridge Addition questioned how to clean up the green areas of her property. Chairman Ystad stated that a request for Firewise Clean-up be turned in for that area. Firewise Chairman, Corky Grisham explain the Firewise Program and the process.

Jack Egerstaffer reminded the membership that there will be a Camping Meeting immediately following the Board Meeting.

Egerstaffer also questioned what was being done about the deteriorating West Walden Marina. He asked that it be checked out. There was discussion of who owned the West Walden Marina, LCPOA or the West Walden property owners. Dave Wickersham will research the topic.

Dale Davidson questioned what is being done with the Beach Club piers. Chairman Ystad informed the membership that the process for ordering piers for the lodge area and several other areas is in the works. The draw down is still an open issue and there are no results in yet to evaluate the situation.

Committee Reports:

Building and Grounds-Dan Schneider reported that they have 3 price quotes for piers that are being reviewed. Budgeted items for this year are a lawn tractor with a bucket.

Beach Clubs-Dave Wickersham reported that there were several boats that were collected from Beach Clubs after the removal deadline. Those boats are now the property of LCPOA. Wickersham is researching the possibility and procedures of auctioning them off.

Camping Committee-Jim Lemke once again stated the unanimous recommendation by the LCPOA Board to the Town of Rome regarding the camping/zoning issue. Lemke feels the recommendation is fair.

Jensine Anderson proposed the questions of how the board gathered the information of what the member's views were on the camping/zoning issue. Chairman Ystad stated the comments were collected from the membership, business owners, etc. To send out a survey is costly and the return percentage is extremely low.

Environmental & Architectural-Roland Geiger reported that there were permits taken out for 3 sheds, 1 new dwelling and 2 dwelling additions.

Political Action (county, town), TriLakes and Firewise-Corky Grisham reported the Town Board has several new members. Please take the time to get to know them.

The Firewise Program received a \$12,000 DNR Grant. The grant money can be used for the rental of equipment from LCPOA. Procedure and Process Policies are in place for the

use of the money. Anyone wishing to clean up his or her area is asked to do so thru the Firewise Program.

The DNR has to date logged 1,825 volunteer hours. There is no reimbursement for labor but reimbursement is available from the grant for equipment rental. The purpose of Firewise is to protect homes and surrounding property in the LCPOA area.

The wood chips that are left from Firewise clean up are available for the membership to take.

Neighborhood Watch-Jeanne Osgood reported that the next meeting is Tuesday, April 24, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.

Security-Jerry Lipski reported that the Dump Stations are now open. New regulations and procedures are in place. Special monitoring efforts will be put in place. Chairman Ystad requested volunteers to help monitor the dump stations.

Website-Dan Schneider reported that the website has now been existence for one year. Usage is increasing. Schneider is willing to have anyone with suggestions or comments to contact him. If you're signed up for e-newsletter and you're not receiving them please contact the office.

Chairman Ystad stated that Jeanne Osgood will no longer be doing our newsletter after the June issue. Anyone interested please contact the office or Don Ystad.

Old Business:

Jeanne Osgood and Jerry Lipski headed the committee which reviewed the plan presented for the Lodge Shoreline Restoration project. It was the consensus of the committee that it was too large of a project for LCPOA to manage and took up too much valuable space that property owners use on a regular basis. The committee did not feel it would be wise to commit about 400 feet of our shoreline, 35 feet back from the water, into perpetuity which would be a requirement of the proposed program. The committee felt that it learned a lot through the process and will use some of the ideas presented in our own plan.

Mark Lewis questions whether the lodge is still looking for a computer. The answer is yes. He has one and will donate it to the lodge.

Terry James reported that the lake is refilling nicely. Hopes were that it would rise 5 inches a day and be filled by last Wednesday, April 18, 2007; instead it's filling at a rate of 1 to 1 ½ inches per day. We're currently 8 ½ inches low. It's filling slower than expected. Hope for rain.

Patrick Gatterman, Dam Engineer will be conducting a safety review to make sure the toe drains are working properly. If so, Lake Sherwood will then begin filling.

TriLakes reports that they have no concerns about placing boats in the water. Terry James recommends we be conservative about placing our boats in until the safety review results are in.

Adams County Lake Conference will be Saturday, May 12, 2007. In this 6-hour workshop you will learn the basics of lake management. The fee is \$10.00.

Lisa Evans from the DNR spent 2 hours on April 9, 2007 teaching citizens how to monitor their water. The grant money for Adams County to do the water sampling once a month has now ran out. Terry James will be meeting with anyone interested in helping take water samples on May 25, 2007. Please contact Terry at 325-3737 if interested. Training will be taking place, lunch provided and the in the afternoon out on the pontoon boat for testing.

TriLakes will be taking 8 samples from now till the end of the year for water clarity. The DNR has accepted paying the proposed billing for \$832.00. It was recommended that the board consider covering anything above the \$832.00. This Lake should be important to the membership. Motion by Jeanne Osgood, 2nd by Corky Grisham to support funding as needed up to \$1,000.00 for testing. Carried.

Chris Murphy will be responsible for off stream monitoring of 14 Mile Creek this summer.

TriLakes has 700 Barley Bales available. The can be picked up from 8-2 on weekdays and 9-1 on Saturdays. The Barley Bales help break down the algae.

Chairman Ystad asked LCPOA's legal counsel to review the Town of Rome's Zoning Ordinance Section 10.03 (a) and to render a legal opinion as to whether it would nullify the LCPOA Rule C.10. Chairman Ystad has asked to be placed on the agenda for the next Town Planning/Zoning Meeting to present the legal opinion.

The new Dump Station Regulations were reviewed. Anyone using the dump stations will need a permit or be faced with trespassing fines in the amount of \$250.00. The regulations are trying to enforce what's being dumped and regulate that proper containers are being used. Fees for members are \$10.00 – non-members \$25.00

New Business:

The Vacancies addition was presented for the Election Procedures. Motion by Jeanne Osgood, 2nd by Dan Schneider to accept the addition of Vacancies for the Election Procedures as presented. Carried.

Dave Grutzik from the Rome Water Utility presented the proposed water main easement proposal. After his presentation there was much discussion and time for questions. Motion by Jerry Lipski, 2nd by Dan Schneider to accept the Rome Water Utility Easement

Proposal as presented on April 21, 2007. Carried. Before signing the easement LCPOA attorney will review it.

Jeanne Osgood reported that 475 trees have been planted in the last 2 days. The remainder of the trees will be planted in the Cranbrook area on Sunday. The cost for the 600 trees was \$145.00 from the DNR. All trees have been flagged to measure the success.

We have several new hires along with the new head of maintenance, Mr. Wolfe. Please welcome them as you meet them.

The Frolics Committee hosted a cookout on April 14th. Considering the week's weather, many members participated in the cookout. Raffle tickets for the Frolics and food were available. Frolic's Co-Chairman, Dan Schneider reminded the members the importance of purchasing the Frolic's Raffle Tickets. The proceeds from the ticket sales are what fund the fireworks. In order to continue hosting the Frolic's and having the fireworks we need to sell raffle tickets. Schneider explained that the fireworks aren't paid for by membership dues but from raffle ticket sales. He stressed the importance of every property owner selling or purchasing the tickets sent to them for continued hosting of the Frolics and having fireworks.

Discussion was held regarding efforts to reduce using fertilizer with phosphorus in them. A letter will be drafted by Corky Grisham stating that LCPOA supports the efforts to improve the water quality of the town lakes and especially supports any attempts to reduce the usage of fertilizer containing phosphorus within the Lake District.

Chairman Ystad mentioned that at today's pre-meeting there was e-mail distributed by one board member that stated there was a meeting today to discuss the camper/zoning issue. Several board member were listed to be in attendance. Please accept the apologies of those board members not attending for most didn't receive the e-mail and have prior obligations.

Nancy Egerstaffer stated that the normal camping committee meeting would be held following the board meeting where discussion of the camping/zoning issue would be discussed. Chairman Ystad reminded those in attendance of his earlier announce of the Board's recommendation to the town. That recommendation being that an ordinance be adopted allowing a single camping unit per lot in the LD district, with a provision for a single, occasional guest camping unit, where arrangements are made for proper septic disposal. The occasional guest camping permit should be for a period of time not to exceed 10 days, and not for back-to-back time periods. Our association is willing to manage and control the guest camper policy within our membership. Egerstaffer stated that she supported the single camper unit with guest provision recommended by the Board.

Meeting adjourned 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane Schroeder