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Bald Eagle perched in a tree at G-12 January 7, 2006. Photo by Rich Hirsch.

Lakeview

by Janet Hirsch, editor

Look at this page! It is loaded with announcements. This will be a busy, busy spring. We have many events planned and there should be something for everyone. Come join in the fun!

March Event. . .

Texas Hold'em Saturday March 25, 6:30 pm

Lake Tishomingo Community House
 \$25 to play \$5 for food
 Details on page 3

April Event. . .

Trivia Night Saturday April 1, 7 pm

Lake Tishomingo Community House
 \$10 per person
 Details on page 3

Dinner Meetings

6:30 pm Sat **Mar 11**
 Corned Beef and Cabbage
 Bring a (green?) side dish

6:30 pm Sat **Apr 8**
 Ham -- Bring a side dish
 Presentation by TAA: "Types of Fish in Our Lake"

For the Kids . . .

Children's Easter Party

1 - 3 pm Sun Apr 9

Lake Tish Community House
 Bring: snack to share

Bring the kids and see what surprises the Easter Bunny has in store for them.
 Contact Janet Farwig for more info, 274-2038.



St Pat's Party Music by Doubletake

8 pm - 12 m Sat Mar 18
 \$25/couple \$15/person

Lake Tish Community House
 Setups provided, bring snacks

Come to the party, wear a little green, put on those boogie shoes, dance a little jig, and enjoy the music. It'll be lots of fun.



Tishomingo Earth Day

Road cleanup
 9 am Sat Apr 22 -- free lunch! See page 4.

Tishomingo News is the official publication of the Lake Tishomingo Improvement Association. Articles, letters, photos, and classified ads should be sent to newsletter Editor.

Subscription to this newsletter is included with membership to LTIA Annual membership fee is \$35.

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Next Newsletter Deadline

April 20, 2006

laketishomingo.com

Website

Send your photos and news to post at the website to jhirsch@catenary.com.

Email

We have a list with many lake owners' email addresses to which we send meeting and event notices. If you would like to receive these messages or if you have questions, comments, or suggestions for the website or this newsletter contact Janet Hirsch, jhirsch@catenary.com, (636) 285-0813.

2006 Calendar

- Mar 11 Sat 6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting - Corned Beef
- Mar 14 Tue 7 pm LTPOA Board meeting
- Mar 18 Sat 8 pm - 12 m St Pat's Party
- Mar 25 Sat 6:30 pm Texas Hold'em
- Apr 1 Sat 7 pm Trivia Night
- Apr 8 Sat 6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting - Ham
- Apr 9 Sun 1 - 3 pm Children's Easter party
- Apr 11 Tue 7 pm LTPOA Board meeting.
- Apr 22 Sat Tishomingo Road Cleanup.
- May 13 Sat 8 am Lakeside Gardeners Plant Sale
- May 13 Sat 6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting - KFC
- Jun 3 Sat Teen Scavenger Hunt
- Jun 10 Sat 6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting -
- Jul 2 Sun Miss Tishomingo Coronation
- Jul 4 Tue 3 pm Boat Parade
- Jul 4 Tue dusk Fireworks Display
- Aug 12 Sat 6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting - Murder Mystry.
- Sep 9 Sat 6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting - Soup & Salad
- Oct 14 Sat 6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting - October Fest
- Oct 21 Sat 1 - 3 pm Children's Halloween Party
6 - 8 pm Teen Party/Bonfire
- Oct 28 Sat Halloween Dance, Adults
- Nov 11 Sat 6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting - Turkey
- Dec 9 Sat 6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting - Chili Cookoff!
- Dec 16 Sat 3 pm Christmas Caroling
- Dec 17 Sun 1 - 3 pm Children's Christmas Party

Classified Ads

Classified ads are free for LTIA members
FOR SALE

1983 15' fishing & ski boat with 40 hp 1997 Force engine, trailer, \$1200. Marvin Goggins (314) 631-5985.

Propane Fireplace Logs with lined firebrick insert. White oak surround. \$175 OBO. Lou Harting (636) 285-1971.

Bolens Lawn Tractor with new motor, snow blade. Runs good. \$150. Leopoldine Hukenbeck. (636) 285-2328.

1986 Cajun Bass Boat. 40 HP Mariner, 45 lb. Trust Trolling Motor- 12 vt., Fish Finder, 2 Live Wells, 2 batteries Trailer. \$2,750. Gary Elder at 636-274-2900

Maytag Dryer. Neptune propane (we switched to all electric). Like new, model MDG4000AWW. \$200 OBO. Janet Hirsch. (636) 285-0813.

OTHER

Found: Ski Tube /tow rope. Call to retrieve (636) 274-2939.

Found: Keys in with the aluminum cans in the maintenance yard. KIA vehicle key, Budweiser opener. Rich Hirsch (636) 285-0813.



Texas Hold'em

POT LIMIT PROGRESSIVE TO NO LIMIT
TEXAS HOLD-EM TOURNAMENT, SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 2006.
REGISTRATION 6:30 P.M., TOURNAMENT STARTS AT 7:00 P.M.
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	20 PLAYERS	40 PLAYERS	60 PLAYERS
4 th Place	\$25	\$50	\$75
3 rd Place	\$50	\$100	\$150
2 nd Place	\$100	\$200	\$300
1 st Place	\$200	\$400	\$600

For more information, or to preregister, call Rick Hannick (636) 274-1385
(NOTE: TOURNAMENT IS LIMITED TO 75 PLAYERS)

Trivia Night 7 pm April 1 Community House

\$10 per person and 8 people to a table. We will accomodate walk-in's.
Set-ups provided. Bring a snack to share with your table.
Everyone gets 2 drink tickets with price of admission (soda and beer)
Cash prize for the winning table. Raffles and attendance prizes.
Add to the fun by decorating your table or come in costume.

Reserve your table today.
Call Dixie at 285-6043
email dlbrya@stlmsd.com
or send the following registration form to 6333 N Lakesore Dr.

I want to play Trivia!!

Reserve a table for:
(name)

Number of people playing:

_____ Smoking _____ Non-smoking

Lakeside Gardeners

Orchid Show

Sat March 4

Saturday March 4 we'll go see the Orchid Show at MBG. Rich and Bev will drive (others too if necessary.) Leave from the flagpole at 9am. Everyone is invited to join us.

Plant Sale

Sat May 13

Saturday May 13 Plant Sale. The annual plant sale is always a popular event. To donate plants, pots, seeds, or anything else contact Marilyn Meyer.

Next gardeners' meeting will be Saturday Mar 25, 10am at Bev Jost's house.

Tip of the Month

For an early breath of spring try cutting Forsythia branches and forcing them to bloom early indoors.

Cut the branches about 3 to 4 feet long and place in a vase with water. In about a week the flowers will open and you will be rewarded with branches covered with bright yellow blossoms.



Aluminum Can Recycling Guidelines

- 1) Please try to deposit cans over the fence in the Maintenance Yard. In front of the fence is OK, but behind the fence is better since it is less unsightly.
- 2) Separate all trash, bottles, etc. from the cans and leave ONLY the aluminum cans. It takes time to sort through the garbage and it is a nasty job.
- 3) Only leave aluminum cans, NOT screen doors, aluminum foil, or other random pieces of aluminum. Not all aluminum is recyclable at can recycling centers and items that can't be recycled must be disposed of.



Lake Happenings

Sympathy

Our most sincere condolences to the family of Russell Wobbe. Russell was a former lake resident and Charm Hopfer knew him well. "He was a delightful man" she said. He lived to be 89. Russell's brother, Harvey, was also a lake resident and had owned the house at G-9.



Tishomingo Anglers

The Tishomingo anglers had their first meeting of the year. The new officers are:

Gary Ryan Jr, President

Jason Covington, Treasurer

Meetings will be held the second Friday of every month at the community house at 7:00 P.M.

Thank you for your support in the past year with our fund raisers and in collecting aluminum. We brought in a total of around \$2500 in all, which we are going to use toward stocking the lake. This year we are going to stock catfish, crappie, redear, and golden shiners.

Please continue to donate your aluminum. We also appreciate cash donations that we will spend toward lake stocking and lake improvement projects.

This year we have several lake improvement projects planned. Please join us at the meetings to learn more about fishing or to help improve the fishery and the beauty of the lake.

Membership is \$20.00.

The first bass tournament is planned for June 17. It will be a 5-bass limit team tournament.



Earth Day Road Cleanup

*Road Cleanup Day,
Saturday April 22*

John Dauernheim, a long time resident of the Lake and past board member, has for many years arranged the road clean up day here at the lake. Typically, there have been anywhere from 8 – 15 people show up on a bright and sunny, or cool and cloudy spring day to put on their little orange vests and pick up trash along the road.

There have been many thanks given to John for arranging and participating in the annual Road Clean Up Day, but what he appreciates most is PEOPLE. As he explains it, Tishomingo Road is 2-1/2 miles long. With 12 people, 2 people get dropped off at half-mile increments and that's all they have to do - a half a mile. With 12 people, it takes about an hour.

This year we want to "kick it up a notch." With enough volunteers, we can also walk our lake roads, bag up leaves that are clogging the ditches, clean out clogged culverts. Afterwards, LTIA is providing lunch for the volunteers. So you can get in your exercise and get fed too. Also, remember to involve your children. They are an important part of our community.

John wants what all of us here at the lake want: A nice cozy home, good friends, AND a beautiful lake to fish in and enjoy. Let's make John happy. Put **Saturday April 22th** on your calendar today. Rain day April 29. Join us at the **Community House at 9 am**. Together we can make a difference.



Cookin' Cove

Comfort Foods

by Rich Hirsch

Gail and Rick Lippitt are new residents of the lake and this is Gail's first recipe featured in the Cookin' Cove, but we are sure it will not be her last. Gail brought this tasty dish to January's LTIA casserole-night dinner

Gail Lippett's Zucchini Stuffing Casserole

2 lbs. zucchini (sliced 3/8" thick – about 7 cups)
 1/4 cup chopped onion
 One 10 3/4 oz. can cream of chicken soup
 8 oz. sour cream
 1 cup shredded carrots
 2 cups herb seasoned stuffing mix
 1/4 cup butter, melted

In a large saucepan, cook zucchini and onions in boiling salted water for 5-7 minutes or until crisp tender. Drain well.

In a large bowl, combine soup and sour cream; stir in carrots. Fold in zucchini mixture. Toss stuffing mix with butter.

Spread half the stuffing mixture in a 13 x 9 inch baking dish. Spoon zucchini mixture on top. Sprinkle with remaining stuffing mixture.

Bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes.

Our next recipe is a fine example of what can be done with a crock pot. Very little prep time can result in an extraordinary dish. Another advantage of using a crock pot is that all the work occurs hours before the guests arrive. Lou served this dish for a committee meeting.

Lou Harting's Spaghetti Sauce

1-1/2 lb ground beef
 1 lb Italian sausage
 2 cans tomatoes with chilis
 3 jars Bertolli five-cheese tomato sauce

Brown the beef and sausage in a skillet and drain to remove the grease. Combine the meat and all other ingredients in a crockpot and slow cook for 12 hours.

February's LTIA dinner featured ethnic dishes. While just about everyone else brought Polish sausage, Jan H. brought a really treat, chicken and dumplings. Were not sure of the ethnic group that lays claim to inventing this dish, but it pretty much defines comfort food.

Jan Hunnicutt's Chicken and Dumplings

1 whole chicken, hen or spring
 1 can chicken broth
 2 - 3 cans cream of chicken soup
 1 cube chicken bouillon
 1 pkg refrigerated biscuit dough

Place chicken in a large pot and add the chicken broth. Add water to cover the chicken and boil gently about 1 hour until chicken is done and the meat easily separates from the bone. Remove the bones and cut the meat into bitesize

pieces.

Add the chicken soup and buillion cube and bring the broth and chicken to a boil.

Roll the biscuit dough pieces in flour and cut into four pieces. Drop the smaller pieces into the boiling broth and partially cover the pot. Simmer about 15 - 20 minutes and serve.

Next is a vegetable dish prepared by Gail Lents that has the texture and appearance of a souffle. What a great way to eat your carrots!

Gail Lents' Baked Carrots

2 lb carrots, peeled, cooked, and mashed
 1/2 c butter or margarine
 1/2 c brown sugar
 1/2 c flour
 2 egg yolks, beaten
 1/2 t baking powder
 1/2 t baking soda
 1/2 t lemon juice
 1/2 t salt

Blend margarine with brown sugar. Add rest of ingredients and mix well. Fold in 2 beaten egg whites. Place mixture in a greased 2-quart casserole dish and bake uncovered about 45 minutes at 350 deg.

Many Italian restaurants offer as a first course crusty French bread with an olive dipping oil. Sometimes the oil is unflavored or simply seasoned. This dipping oil is much more intense flavored with a variety of herbs, garlic and cheese. And it is outstanding.

Marilyn Meyer's Dipping Oil

1 cup olive oil
 1 scallion, chopped
 1 clove garlic, crushed
 1 t (heaping) Italian seasoning
 2 T (heaping) Parmesan cheese

Combine all ingredients, mix well, and keep at room temperature for several hours before serving. To serve, pour into shallow dipping dishes and serve with crusty French bread.

Our last recipe is an extremely simple and delicious dessert contributed by Barb Rohm.

Barb Rohm's EZest Dessert

1 angelfood cake
 1 can cherry pie filling
 1/2 gal chocolate ice cream

Gently tear the cake into bitesize pieces and place into a large bowl. Cover with the pie filling.

Let the ice cream melt in a separate bowl, then pour over the cake and pie filling. Your guests will love it!



LTIA Meeting Summaries

by Janet Hirsch

January 14, 2006

Board members present: Mary Leiweke, Kathy Hopfer, Janet Farwig, Dixie Bryant, and Janet Hirsch

President's comments: Kathy Hopfer welcomed everyone to the dinner and thanked the previous LTIA Board for the improvements made to the kitchen and the stairs to the pavilion.

Minutes of the Dec 10 meeting were read by Mary Leiweke and approved. The LTIA needs someone to volunteer for the position of Secretary.

Treasurer's Report as of December 31, 2005:

checking account	\$4175.39
Millenium account	\$4939.02

We have 65 paid memberships so far for 2006. The Christmas carolling raised \$431 plus food and toys for the Hillsboro Food Pantry.

Ways and Means: Trivia Night will be April 1. It will cost \$10 per person and there will be 8 people per table. Everyone is encouraged to donate raffle and attendance prizes.

The LTIA will create a cookbook, so send your recipes to Dixie Bryant for inclusion.

The Lake Tishomingo 2006 Calendars are available for \$10 each. About 60 have been sold so far. Contact Bev Jost to place your order.

Newsletter: 368 newsletters were sent out December 31.

Deadline for articles, announcements, photos and ads for the next newsletter is February 19. If you did not receive a copy contact Janet Hirsch. You can also view and download a color copy of the newsletter at the website.

Pictures from the Lake Tishomingo 2006 Calendar are at the website if you want a preview.

Also at the website is the announcement of the Sewer Committee Meeting scheduled for next Wednesday, January 18. This will be an open meeting for everyone to learn about the status of the sewer project

Lakeside Gardeners: the next meeting will be February 18 and the gardeners will plan a trip to the Missouri Botanical Gardens to see the orchid show.

Social: The St Patrick's Day Party will be Saturday March 18. Music will be by DoubleTake. Price is \$25/couple or \$15/single and bring snacks.

The Christmas Party was attended by 12 children and they all had a good time..

Tishomingo Anglers: no meeting until March.

Maintenance: A programmable thermostat was installed in the community house in November 2005. This new thermostat should save money on propane and provide convenience since the temperature can be set automatically for regularly scheduled meetings. The temperature can also be set for a special event up to seven days before the event. Of course if you don't want to bother programming the thermostat, you can still use the "up" and "down" arrows on the face of the thermostat to control the temperature. If you'd like to learn to program the thermostat and need help, contact Rich Hirsch.

Due to various demands on his time Rich is unable to be responsible for Community House maintenance and he resigned the position.

Celebrations: Happy Birthday in January to Mike Leiweke, Mary Murray, Kathy Hopfer, Abbey Farwig, and Samatha Farwig.

Attendance prizes were won by Mike Leiweke and Pat Harting.

February 11, 2006

Board members present: Dixie Bryant, Janet Farwig, Janet Hirsch, Mary Leiweke, and Gail Lippitt.

Mary Leiweke called the meeting to order and asked for a moment of silence to honor the passing of Rhonda Kidwell's father, Harry.

Minutes of the January 14 meeting were read by Janet Hirsch and approved.

Treasurer's Report as of January 31, 2005:

checking account	\$3353.76
Millenium account	\$4944.43

We have 72 paid memberships so far for 2006.

Ways and Means: the LTIA will create a cookbook, so send your recipes to Dixie Bryant for inclusion.

March 25 will be the Texas Hold'em tournament. It will cost \$25 per person to play and \$5 per person for food and drinks.

Trivia Night will be April 1. It will cost \$10 per person and there will be 8 people per table. Everyone is encouraged to donate raffle and attendance prizes.

Newsletter: Deadline for articles, announcements, photos and ads for the next newsletter is February 19.

Lakeside Gardeners: the next meeting will be February 18 and the gardeners will plan a trip to the Missouri Botanical Gardens to see the orchid show. There will be a plant sale in May.

Social: the next dinner meeting will be March 11 and we will serve corned beef. The St Patrick's Day Party will be Saturday March 18. Music will be by DoubleTake. Price is \$25/couple or \$15/single and bring snacks and wear your boogie shoes.

Now's the time for all the young people to think about running for Miss or Mr Tishomingo. Everyone age 12 to 19 is encouraged to participate and help to raise money for the fireworks. Last year Alex Farwig and Jack Kardell raised over \$4000. Thank you very much to Alex and Jack.

Tishomingo Anglers: the next meeting will be Friday March 10. The TAA is moving the meeting day to the second Friday of the month to make it easier for weekenders to attend. Dues are now \$20. At the April LTIA dinner meeting there will be a presentation about the types of fish we have in the lake. June 17 will be the first fishing tournament.

Maintenance: some sections of fascia were blown off the Community House and need to be replaced. We have the material but need volunteers to do the work.

Old Business: we still need someone to fill the position of LTIA Secretary. Ed Melchior thanked Janet Hirsch for her work producing the newsletter.

Celebrations: Happy Birthday in February to Rick Lippitt and Alex Farwig (13). Happy Anniversary to Jan and John Hunnicutt celebrating 25 years of marriage.

Attendance prizes were won by Mike Higgins and Betty Melchior.



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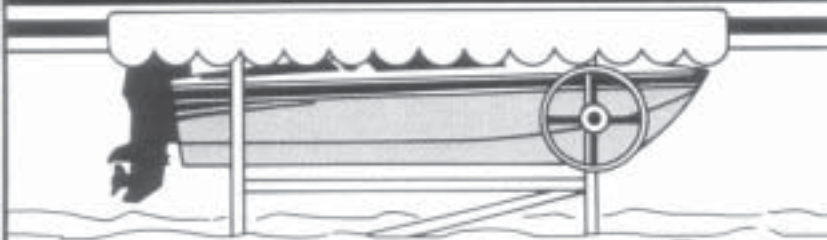
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Things You Should Know But Probably Don't

1. Money isn't made out of paper, it's made out of cotton.
2. The Declaration of Independence was written on hemp paper.
3. The dot over the letter I is called a "tittle".
4. A raisin dropped in a glass of fresh champagne will bounce up and down continuously from the bottom of the glass to the top.
5. Forty percent of McDonald's profits come from the sales of Happy Meals.
6. There were 315 entries misspelled in Webster's 1996 Dictionary.
7. The 'spot' on 7UP comes from its inventor, who had red eyes. He was an albino.
8. On average, 12 newborns will be given to the wrong parents, daily.
9. Warren Beatty and Shirley MacLaine are brother and sister.
10. Chocolate affects a dog's heart and nervous system; a few ounces will kill a small sized dog.
11. Orcas (killer whales) kill sharks by torpedoing up into the shark's stomach from underneath, causing the shark to explode.
12. Most lipstick contains fish scales.
13. Donald Duck comics were banned from Finland because he doesn't wear pants.
14. Ketchup was sold in the 1830s as medicine.
15. Upper and lower case letters are named 'upper' and 'lower' because in the time when all original print had to be set in individual letters, the 'upper case' letters were stored in the case on top of the case that stored the smaller, 'lower case' letters.
16. Leonardo da Vinci could write with one hand and draw with the other at the same time.
17. Because metal was scarce, the Oscars given out during World War II were made of wood.
18. There are no clocks in Las Vegas gambling casinos.
19. The name Wendy was made up for the book Peter Pan; there was never a recorded Wendy before!
20. There are no words in the dictionary that rhyme with: orange, purple, and silver!
21. Leonardo Da Vinci invented scissors. Also, it took him 10 years to paint Mona Lisa's lips.
22. A tiny amount of liquor on a scorpion will make it instantly go mad and sting itself to death.
23. The mask used by Michael Myers in the original "Halloween" was a Captain Kirk mask painted white.
24. If you have three quarters, four dimes, and four pennies, you have \$1.19. You also have the largest amount of money in coins without being able to make change for a dollar (good to know.)
25. By raising your legs slowly and lying on your back, you can't sink in quicksand (and you thought this list was completely useless.)



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LTPOA REPORT

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New boat ramp and seawall, Feb 18, 2006. More pictures on page 19.

Cheers and Thank you!

The boat ramp and lakefront retaining wall are almost finished. Our special thanks to our volunteer work crew Henry Brym, Kevin Seelbach, Rich Hirsch, Ray Lauer, Larry Kimmel, and Ron Sansone who supervised the boat launch concrete ramp.

With Henry's lunch-on-wheels, Marco Griffero's cheery spirits, and Morris Sallee's equipment repair, we saw great community spirit. Many, many residents stopped by to congratulate the workers on doing a fine job.

Come and check out their progress. It is looking good!

Security Gate

The LTPOA Board joins everyone at the lake to express our deep gratitude to Roger Hovis who has managed our gate operations during the past several years. Like a number of people here at the lake, who wish to keep our subdivision safe and neat and tidy, Roger has devoted countless hours making sure the gate is operational and addressed problems when they occurred.

Thank you Roger for all you do.

New Gate Committee

The new gate committee has been formed by Jason Covington with assistance from Fred Steinmetz, Mike Leiweke, and Rich Hirsch.

Building Permits

I was looking at the Lake Tishomingo calendar the other day and was struck by the beauty of the lake as captured through the lens of the camera. The majestic scenes that were presented by the various photographers served as a reminder of the special place that we call home. It is evident that a lot of homeowners spend a great deal of time on their property in an effort to preserve this beauty.

With spring just around the corner, I know that we will soon see the work that comes with maintaining and improving our homes and property in anticipation of summer.

Please be sure to refer to the Rules and Regulations of the lake when planning your next project. Permits are due ten (10) days before the Board Meeting.

If you have a shed that needs painting, a dock that needs to be replaced, or other improvements, now is the time to submit application. Dock repairs, home additions, and decks are some of the most popular projects. Be sure to check the Regulations before planning your work. The Regulations and Permit forms can be found at laketishomingo.com.

We are beginning our spring inspection of properties that are in need of work. Letters will be sent to those property owners that need to address specific projects.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Larry Kimmel
Building Director



Committees

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Security Gate	Jason Covington	285-0527	jason_cov@msn.com
Sewer	Marilyn Meyer	274-1812	buzz5535@msn.com
Volunteer Corps	Ken Jost	274-0453	kbkjos@aol.com
Website/Newsltr	Janet Hirsch	285-0813	jhirsch@catenary.com

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Tishomingo Anglers	Rick Hannick	274-1385	trickyricky@jcn.net

Remember to vote . . .

April 4
Vote YES for the
Water/Sewer District

more info on page 13

LTPOA Meeting Minutes - January 10, 2006

The meeting opened at 6:30. with the following board members present: Matt Holloran, Ray Lauer, Kevin Seelbach, Pat Harting, Marilyn Meyer, Larry Kimmel, Ron Sansone. 34 lot owners were initially present.

The minutes of the November meeting having been posted on the website, inserted in the newsletter and passed out at the meeting, President Sansone asked for a motion to accept the minutes, motion made by Ray Lauer, seconded by Matt Holloran, motion passed unanimously.

President's Report

President Sansone opened the meeting by explaining that Jefferson County Stormwater Management personnel were coming to talk to us immediately following the meeting on maintenance of Belew Creek. The board meeting would therefore have to be concluded by 7:45 p.m.

President Sansone reported on the unexpected snow storm. Problems were experienced with the salter making it impossible to plow the roads. A new stainless steel salter has therefore been purchased and it is now here. The truck is in good running condition and a loaner bobcat is available to load the salt. President Sansone apologized for the problems with snow removal due to the salt spreader. However, the problem was area wide as the snow hit very suddenly on cold pavement and immediately turned into ice.

Treasurers Report

Marilyn Meyer, Treasurer, reported the following:

November

Cash Inflow:

Regular Assessments 2005	2,352.36
Special Assessments 2005	329.36

Legal	80.92
Gate Revenue	285.00
Insurance Refund	503.00
Interest	63.19

Total Cash Inflow 3,613.83

Cash Outflow:

Loan Payment	4,489.55
Security Guard (30 hrs/week)	1,024.20
Patrol Boat Gas	85.12
Legal Third Quarter	3,426.00
Utilities	123.77
Loan Principal	2,000.00

Total Cash Outflow: 11,148.64

Checking Account Balance 136,683.89

Money Market Balance 1,311.08

Total Cash on Hand: 137,994.97

Outstanding Assessments:

Special (2004-2005)	50.00
Regular (2004-2005)	300.00
Special (2005-2006)	1,003.53
Regular (2005-2006)	4,994.62

Loan Principal November 30, 2005 140,419.41

Interest - \$21.45 per day.

December

Cash Inflow:

Regular Assessments 2005	100.00
Special Assessments 2005-6-7	315.44

Lot Sale 1,500.00

Gate Revenue 250.00

Advertisement 45.00

Interest 60.67

Total Cash Inflow 2,271.11

Cash Outflow:

Loan Payment	4,489.55
Security Guard (20 hrs/week)	710.80
Personal and Property Taxes	3,008.25
Children's Bus Shelter	300.00
Employment Taxes	844.60
Utilities	137.95

Total Cash Outflow: 8,643.55

Checking Account Balance 130,023.76

Money Market Balance 1,598.77

Total Cash on Hand: 131,622.62

Outstanding Assessments:

Special (2004-2005)	50.00
Regular (2004-2005)	300.00

Special (2005-2006)	1,003.53
Regular (2005-2006)	4,994.62

Loan Principal December 31, 2005 136,578.04

Interest - \$20.86 per day.

Marilyn explained that on the November statement there is a cash outflow of \$2,000 to the loan principal from the money market. This is special assessment money designated to the loan. The only payments we are making to the loan with the exception of the \$75,000 from the dredge are:

1. The monthly automatic payment of \$4,489.55
2. The special assessments

The confusing part is that when there is a payment on a delinquent assessment it usually comes in one check for both regular and special assessments. The check therefore has to be deposited into the checking account and subsequently moved to the money market and the money market then gets moved to the loan principal. No extra payments are being made.

On the December report shows \$1,598 in the money market. \$500 can therefore be moved to the loan principal.

She then said that the top entries of the cash inflow, the regular assessment deposit of \$100 on the top of the December is from a new owner of one of the lots that we sold. She said that the special assessment is included in the \$315.44. The special assessments for 2005, 06 and 07 were paid in advance at closing. Some title companies insist that these special assessments be paid for the full extent of the loan. Therefore there is now change listed in the outstanding special assessment at the bottom because the entries at the top of the cash inflow for December were not delinquent. Those were for new properties sold and transferred. We presently have 14 property owners who have been sent to our attorney for delinquent payments.

Marilyn said that \$48,000 would be invested the coming week in 3-month CDs. These will be short term because of planned maintenance work and costs are undetermined for the April 4th vote authorizing the sewer district.

Marilyn then asked for bill approval.

Larry Kimmel made a motion for \$300 to be applied to the expenses for repairing the bus shelter. Motion made by Matt Holloran, seconded by Ray Lauer, motion carried.

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The following bills were also presented:

Parking Lot rock – 2 tandems	
– (70 tons)	772.93
Henry Brym– Quick Shop bobcat diesel fuel/	
Asphalt hot packs/battery	199.08
Janet Hirsch - Newsletter	108.40
Dale Wallen	537.50
Post Office – Permit	150.00
LTIA – Heating Fuel	300.00
Charlie Lents – Light bulbs	12.00
Rich Hirsch – Light bulb	6.00

Ray Lauer made a motion, seconded by Larry Kimmel to accept the treasurer's reports for November and December. Motion carried.

Finance Committee:

Janet Hirsch reported that the Finance Committee had reviewed the next three months spending and recommended that the Board invest in short term three months CDs

Security Director

Ray Lauer read his "tailgating" report for December.

Clarue Holland, D-31, raised the question of the dry hydrants.

She said that working dry hydrants would help with insurance. Missouri has grants to help with repairs and tax credits up to 1/2 of the cost (not to exceed \$5,000) are also available. Approximate costs per hydrant would be \$2,500. Clarue gave a detailed report to the board for their consideration. Her letter to the board on her research is attached.

A short discussion on the various non-functioning dry hydrants by lake owners followed.

Building Director

Larry Kimmel reported on the following activity:

1. Scheirich – I51 – I57 – Second Tier

New dock construction. Larry & Kevin have looked at this and he is within the 35ft boundary. A letter has been obtained from the Hannicks granting their permission.

2. Duffy – G11

New sea wall – The requested adjustments have been made to G10 for the 4-6ft setback.

3. Kimmel – M21

Construction of 2 docks

Motion made by Matt Holloran for approval, seconded by Marilyn Meyer. Motion passed.

Maintenance Director

Matt began by thanking Henry Brym and Kevin Selbach for the efforts in trying to plow the roads following the recent snow storm. He said that due to the salt spreader not working this had not been possible. However, he said that due to this learning experience, a new salt spreader had been purchased and also a Case loaner bobcat. The tractor is also being worked on. So far it is known that the starter is bad. Matt also thanked Kevin Selbach for rocking the parking lot. Not having to pay for the use of the bobcat helped defray this cost. Thanks was given to Gary Ryan for cleaning up the huge amount of aluminum cans in the maintenance yard. \$240 is now available for stocking the lake.

A budget has been submitted to the Finance Committee for items that will come up for repair/replacement in the next few years. We do not have adequate monies coming in under our current assessments or future assessments. He said that even if we were fortunate enough to pay off the existing loan early, he would be surprised to see any of the assessments go away. No budget figure has been given for the silt basins, he requested that if anyone knows of a contractor please get in touch with him. The silt basins are very important and several residents are trying to clean out their own coves and with the lake so low at the moment it is a good opportunity. Matt then brought up that he and President Sansone have been discussing the question of lowering the lake even lower than it is. A letter has been received from the DNR stating

that it is fine to lower the lake. How long this would take is at present unknown as is the cost. A lot will depend on the ground saturation and the size of the siphon to be used. Ron explained the various methods of removing the water, with pipes mounted either through or over the spillway. Kathy Hopfer asked if a vote would be needed to lower the lake. Ron replied that no decision has yet been made they are just in the process of getting pricing. Matt said that the DNR had been contacted because of concern about lowering the lake with respect to the dam. They had replied that there would be no effect on it as long as it was a **controlled lowering** of the lake.

Lowering the lake would also assist with the rebuilding of the boat ramp. One bid has been received. (Janet Hirsch brought pictures of the new boat ramp at Lake Wauwaunoka.) The location of the ramp needs to be moved more to the middle of the wall to make it easier to get the boats in and out and also make the ramp wide enough for two boats. This location would also ensure that boats can be put in and out when the building has been rented out. Rick Hannick asked if electric could be put into the design. Matt replied that he was getting the plans together so that all bidders would be looking at the same plans. Mr. Pithan, M57-58, expressed concern over lowering the lake because when it was done some ten years ago, there was very little rain and so the lake was very low that summer.

Ron said that he was trying to get more of the silt removed. The county said that there are no problems with removing it off the lake. Presently they have an offer of \$75 a truck load to remove it. He said the ground will then be leveled and made it look nice again. Residents can take silt if they need it for fill in their yards. Barb Rohm asked if we could advertise it and help people load it etc. Ron said he would prefer for people to do their own because of liability etc. Jerry Uhlenbrock asked if the name of the person removing the silt could be published so that residents could use him to get silt for them.

Marilyn Meyer brought the fact that we were almost too late to lower the lake this year. She said that we should make a plan for next year to lower the lake in September and bring this to the June meeting. She said that many lakes routinely lower the lake level in the fall for maintenance purposes and she felt that it was time for us to do this also. Matt and Ron both said that the fire hydrants should be looked at as soon as possible.

Web Site:

Janet reported on the two new entries on the web site. One was the newsletter, if you are not receiving it please let Janet know. She also said that she sends out an email of lake happenings. Please contact her if you are not receiving this and would like to. Pictures of the Tishomingo calendar are also up on the web site. The deadline for the next newsletter is February 19th.

Sewer Committee:

Marilyn Meyer reported on the Sewer Committee which met on January 9th.

Dennis Siders from the Midwest Assistance Program came to talk to us. He was recommended by Donna Martin of the USDA regional development office in Farmington. Donna has attended at least three of the meetings. Dennis will set up, organize, tabulate and submit income survey data to the rural development office. The purpose of the income survey is to see if we qualify for grant money from the USDA. If we qualify we should receive about 20% of the sewer project. Dennis's services are free and he will be the independent agent administering the survey. Nobody at the lake will ever see any of the survey. She encouraged all to come on Wednesday January 18th at 7 p.m. for the next sewer meeting when this will be discussed in detail. Engineer Bill Brunjes will also be in attendance. President Sansone explained that at the April election we will be voting to become a sewer district. This is the first step in the project. The next step will be the income survey. Marilyn emphasized the need to be registered to vote. If you are not registered here in the Tishomingo precinct then you are not eligible to

Proposed Maintenance Budget

Required Maintenance

- Salt spreader: \$7,000 - 10,000 (completed)
- Sealing the current roads: \$78,000
- Road maintenance, patching: \$7,000 - 12,000 over the next 4 years.
- Low water bridge repair: \$15,000 - 20,000
- New boat ramp: \$30,000 (in progress)
- Rock to support the sides of the roads that are currently sinking: \$5,000 - 7,000
- New shed for equipment: \$40,000

Needed Major Projects

- South side bridge replacement: \$210,000
- Silt Basins
- Repair and resurfacing the main entrance road: \$224,000

Capital Equipment

- New Dump truck for plowing and salt spreader, 3-4 years from now: \$45,000
- Bobcat for loading salt spreader and general maintenance: \$40,000 - 50,000 (currently being leased)
- Attachments for Bobcat, brushhog, grader, broom, etc...\$25,000-30,000
- Small tools, miscellaneous over the next 5 years: \$20,000

There are other items such as grass cutting, parking lot paving-rocking. But this will give the residents something to look at in the years to come. Please realize that we should be preparing for these expenses by raising the assessments now for a better future.



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vote. In response to the question how many people outside of the lake were involved, Marilyn replied that we were getting the Metro Scan which would identify the area. The people outside the lake would have to be notified that it will not cost them anything to be included in the district. With respect to the size of the building lots, Larry Kimmel replied that these would remain the same (40,000 sq.ft.) as we were only getting sewers, not water.

Rick Hannick asked what effect this would have on the people outside the lake, would they be able to build on less? Larry replied that it is Jefferson County who dictates the 40,000 sq.ft. Larry said he would research this further and report back. Larry said that what he has at present on undeveloped land is that all newly created lots with onsite sewage treatment systems shall have a minimum of 87,120 sq. ft. (2 acres). Only one on-site system is allowed per recorded lot. Larry said he would research this further and report back. A lot of concern was expressed with regard to future development using our system. Larry reported that future development cannot alter the lot restrictions. President Sansone said that anyone who wished to be hooked up after the initial installation would have to pay for the installation upfront.

New Business

Jerry Uhlenbrock introduced Reggie Weiss from the Jefferson County Health Department. Reggie one of the people checking the lake for pollution problems. He was instrumental in identifying the septic system which was dumping up stream from the lake. Reggie was thanked for his help in monitoring the lake.

A question from the floor was on the results of the monitoring. Janet replied that these had been published in the newsletter.

Kathy Hopper asked how articles got put into the newsletter. Janet replied that you have to request that it be published. Inflammatory articles are not published however.

Al Ferrell volunteered to video tape the meetings and put this on a DVD. The board will discuss this.

Jerry Uhlenbrock suggested that the board look into purchasing a vacuum for leaf removal.

Amy Wells questioned the amount of monies paid to the guard and we should therefore consider not having one. She said that she had never seen him even though she comes in and out of the lake. Matt replied that he has been here on several occasions when there has been a problem and even though she may not have seen him, he is necessary.

There being no further business, Ray Lauer made a motion, seconded by Matt Holloran to adjourn. The meeting ended at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Pat Harting

Secretary



Vote YES April 4

We have an opportunity to provide the best environment to our lake with a real sewage system. With almost 250 homes, a real sewage system has become a necessity for the quality of our lake. Every day we wait will cost us more and more in the future. On April 4, please vote yes.

Ron Sansone
LTPOA President

Sewer District Election

by Marilyn Meyer, Charles Lents, Mary Leiweke, Lou Harting, Rich Hirsch, and Janet Hirsch

Q: Based on tests for E. coli our lake is currently regarded as safe. Why should we be considering sewers?

A: The time to consider sewers is before you need them. As our septic systems age more problems will develop. All septic systems will eventually fail. The question is when, not if. We need to move from septic systems to a central sewer system before a significant problem arises.

Q: How can I help?

A: We need your vote APRIL 4 in favor of the formation of the water/sewer district. If the district is to become a legal entity, it has to be approved by 51% of the voters. If not approved, there can be no central sewer system.

Q: If we are trying to install a sewer system, why are we voting on a "water" district?

A: To form the sewer district we must first form a water district. Then it is a simple matter for our attorney to have it redefined as a water/sewer district. We are not at this time planning to provide water due to high costs.

Q: What are the boundaries of the district?

A: See the map below.

Q: How will the sewer system be paid for?

A: User fees and a loan/grant from the USDA. The grant portion of the funding will only be awarded if we can demonstrate economic need through a confidential income survey.

SAMPLE BALLOT for April 4

SHALL PUBLIC WATER DISTRICT #13 OF JEFFERSON COUNTY MISSOURI BE FORMED AS A PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 247 OF THE REVISED STATUTES OF MISSOURI, WHICH INCLUDES THE AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE SEWAGE TREATMENT FACILITIES? (Simple majority required for passage.)

YES NO

Q: After the election, what next?

A: If the district is approved the project engineer will submit several designs for consideration by the USDA (the funding agency) and Missouri DNR (the governing agency). These agencies have to approve the project plans and determine which will be implemented.

At the same time an independent agency will conduct a confidential income survey of all homeowners to verify our economic need for Federal grant money.

Q: Why not just wait and let Jefferson County build our sewer system?

A: According to Ed Kemp, lake resident and Jefferson County Commissioner, the county does not have any money for sewers, now or in the foreseeable future. Since the year 2000 Jefferson County tried twice to pass a bond issue to provide sewer service to our area. Both times the issue was defeated by county voters.

Q: How long will it take to construct the sewer system?

A: The estimated time of construction is 18 months after breaking ground.

Q: Will constructing a sewer system destroy our roads?

A: No. According to our engineer, the main sewer lines will be laid alongside the roads. And modern construction techniques allow laying pipe under existing roads and driveways without damaging them.



Proposed Tishomingo Water Sewer District #13 inside the marked boundaries -- Hillsboro-House Springs Rd on the east and Hwy BB on the west.

It's Never Too Early To Think About Security

by Ray Lauer

In the most recent installment of this publication, we included a section entitled **Crime Prevention Begins at Home**. It listed some basic information about how to protect your homes against burglary. There were three suggestions reflected in that article, offered by the National Neighborhood Watch Program (NNWP), addressing methods for preventing residential burglaries. As you will recall, those three components included having good locks, because they are a deterrent and thus reduce the opportunity for an easy burglary; delaying a burglary for four minutes is generally considered sufficient to prevent entry to a house, because a criminal wants to avoid capture, and the longer it takes to force a door or window, the greater the burglar's risk; and pointing out the fear of detection is the third element of burglary prevention. If you can force him to work where he can be observed, and if he will be required to make noise or attract attention, the burglar will be hesitant about trying to get into your home.

While those are basic proposals, we want to again use information supplied by the NNWP and offer ideas about how you can better address security at your homes, to make sure that a residence is as secure as possible. Chances are good that home security can be improved, so it is suggested you, (1) take a hard look at entry points in your residence and, (2) determine what steps you can take to reduce vulnerability. Below are some worthwhile thoughts to consider about securing your property.

Front, side or rear entrances

- Are those doors of metal or solid wood construction?
- Is doorframe strong and tight enough to prevent forcing or spreading?
- Are door hinges protected from removal from the outside?
- Are there windows in the door within 40 inches of the locks?
- Are the door locks adequate and in good repair?
- Are strikes and strike plates adequate and properly installed?
- If there is no window in a door, is there a wide-angle viewer (or intercommunications device)?
- Can the lock mechanism be reached through a mail slot, delivery port or pet entrance?
- Are there a screen doors with adequate locks?
- Are exterior entrances lighted with at least a 40-watt light?
- Can the front entrance be observed from the street?
- Does porch or landscaping offer concealment from view from the street?

Entrances from the garage or basement

- Are all entrances from garage or basement of metal or solid wood construction?
- Does door from garage to living quarters have locks adequate for exterior entrance?
- Does the door from basement to living quarters have an adequate lock operated from living quarters side?

Ground floor windows

- Do all windows have adequate locks in operating

condition?

- Do windows have screens or storm windows that lock from the inside?
- Do any windows open onto areas that may be hazardous or offer special risk to burglary?
- Do windows that open to hazardous areas have security screens or grills?
- Are exterior areas of windows free from concealing structure or landscaping?
- Is exterior adequately lighted at all window areas?

Upper floor windows

- Do any upper floor windows open onto a porch or garage roofs of adjoining buildings?
- If so, are they secured as adequately as if they were at ground level?
- Are there trees and shrubbery kept trimmed back from upper floor windows?
- Are ladders kept outside the house where they are accessible? They shouldn't be!

Garage doors and windows

- Is automobile entrance door to garage equipped with adequate locking device?
- Is garage door kept closed and locked at all times?
- Are garage windows secured adequately for ground floor windows?
- Is there outside utility entrance to garage as secure as required for any ground floor entrance?
- Are garage doors lighted on the outside by at least a 40-watt light?

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It is suggested this list be reviewed and, if you identify deficiencies, upgrades to your property be considered where applicable.

In conclusion, we offer a reminder about checking your house number. In the event a sheriff's deputy is called for an emergency, as well as the fire department and emergency services medical personnel, the following should be considered.

- The house number should be visible from the street
- If not displayed on the house, the number should be on the mailbox
- The numbers should contrast with the house background, for easy reading
- Addresses on houses or mailboxes should be visible with foliage in summer

You don't have to be one of the several million victims of burglary that occur each year in the United States, and neither do your neighbors. Remember — crime prevention begins at home.



January 2006 Security Report

Tailgating at Lake Tishomingo is a No-No

When one hears the word Tailgating, the first thought which comes to mind is a fun time with great barbecue, cold beverages and a lot of frivolity outside a stadium prior to a National Football League game. That's considered a good thing.

However, here the opposite is true. Tailgating at Lake Tishomingo is a bad thing. When a vehicle operator tailgates another at our entrance, there is every probability either one of two things will occur, or perhaps both. First, when the gate rises it is designed to allow access to only one vehicle. As another vehicle passes through the raised gate it drops abruptly and it then strikes the second vehicle (violator) that is being driven in. In those instances the gate mechanism can be severely damaged. Second, it is most likely damage will also occur to the car that is attempting to enter our gate illegally.

When the gate mechanism is damaged and it is necessary to have a representative from Signature Control make repairs, the Sheriff's office is contacted, a report is prepared and the violator will be summoned to court and could face a stiff fine.

So, we are asking residents here at the lake and all property owners to inform friends and relatives who will be visiting here — **tailgating to gain access to the lake at the front entrance is a bad thing**. Our gate is designed, as most automatic gates are, to allow only one vehicle in at a time when the gate raises. There is even a sign to warn drivers that only one vehicle can pass under the gate each time it rises.

We've had several recent incidents of drivers who were observed tailgating and Roger is following up on those.

There are two other issues related to the gate. First, Signature Control has installed the device that will allow emergency vehicles to gain access without delay, when a siren is sounded as the gate is approached. That information has been made known to the fire department, sheriff's office, ambulance operators and the 911 Dispatch center.

Second, when the service operator was installing the siren-sounding device he mentioned to Roger the firm now has gate bars that can be installed that would replace the wooden boards presently utilized, and would be difficult to destroy. I told Roger to arrange for the purchase of these aluminum gates, and when they are available they will be installed. These gate bars will definitely cause damage to the vehicles of offending drivers, so please tell friends and relatives of what's on the horizon with respect to our gate.

Next a resident asked about the dry hydrants. The hydrants near the community house and on the south side are inoperable because of the present lake level. I plan on visiting the fire chief tomorrow morning regarding the hydrant on the south side. He previously informed me that hydrant was improperly installed, and he will work with us to determine the appropriate method for getting this unit in a workable condition. It will require the reseating of the pipe from the hydrant to the lake so that it has the proper slant by which firefighters can draw water from the lake. In order to make our dry hydrants working units, however, God needs to send us a deluge to bring the lake up to an acceptable level, or people need to begin Indian Rain Dances, whichever is your belief.

February 2006 Security Report

We begin our report this month with my fellow Board members joining me to express our deep gratitude to Roger Hovis who has managed our gate operations during the past several years. Like a number of people here at the lake, who wish to keep our subdivision safe and neat and tidy, Roger has devoted countless hours making sure the gate is operational and addressed problems when they occurred. Roger advised us recently that he no longer wishes to serve as the gate manager, so we do want to express our appreciation to him for his past services and volunteer hours.

Residents and other property owners have noticed the gate bars were removed several weekends ago, and that is the reason. We are searching for someone who will be willing to step up and take over management of gate operations. Jason Covington has volunteered to be that person and has suggested it would be good if others volunteered to help in this effort, so that no one person would be required to be the overseer all the time. Jerry Uhlenbrock made that suggestion several years ago, however, no one offered to help Roger. Mike Leiwicke has offered to be one of the persons who will help in this regard, and so has Fred Steinmetz as well as Rich Hirsch. If there are others who have an interest, please contact Jason. Once we have people who understand the gate operation, the bars will be reinstalled.

Our new aluminum gate bars were delivered the week of January 16, 2006 and installed by Roger several days later. It didn't take long for the entry gate to be severely damaged the following weekend by someone who was found tailgating another car when entering the lake. We have identified the violator, and he has made financial amends.

We are making preparations to get one more sign installed near the front gate so that people arriving here understand that tailgating is not allowed, and when that occurs, the gate will be damaged and costs will be assessed.

I wish that my abilities allowed for me to be totally responsible for the operation of the gate, but let me assure you there is truth to the old adage that you can't teach an old dog new tricks. And let me assure you, I am old enough to realize this.

We thank Jason for offering to consider managing the operation of the gate.

There were no incidents of any nature reported to me since our last meeting, and that is good news.

In conclusion, I want to report that in the last publication of the newsletter, we asked for people's comments about whether the present schedule for when the gate bars are lowered are satisfactory, or if they should be down more hours every day of the week. Only one individual has contacted me via e-mail to suggest we should have the gates down all the time. I presume this indicates everyone is satisfied with the current schedule, and therefore, we will adhere to those wishes.

Submitted by
Ray Lauer



Finally, we are fortunate there have been no reported incidents that have come to my attention since my last report. And, for those who have an opinion about whether the operating hours for the gate should be revised, please review the comments which are published in the December 2005 newsletter.

Submitted by
Ray Lauer



Financial Report Jan 31, 2006

Cash In Flow: Assessments	Aug-05	Sep-05	Oct-05	Nov-05	Dec-05	Jan-06	YTD
Regular (2005-2006)	60,629	21,341	2,248	2,352	100	0	86,671
Special (2005-2006)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Special (2005)	1,334	1,151	285	329	315	0	3,415
Regular (2004-2005)	2,023	150	457	0	0	0	2,630
Special (2004)	200	0	152	0	0	0	352
Revenue: Other							
Gate Revenue	25	25	0	285	250	10	595
Gate Damages Revenue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trailer Rental Revenue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Penalty & Legal Fee Revenue	1,156	518	476	81	0	0	2,231
Insurance Refund	0	0	762	503	0	0	1,265
Interest Revenue	68	75	70	63	61	42	379
Lot Sales	0	0	1,500	0	1,500	0	3,000
Donation Revenue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous Revenue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Advertising	0	0	0	0	45	0	45
LTIA Share of Insurance	0	0	0	0	0	2,014	2,014
Total Incoming Cash Flow	65,435	23,261	5,950	3,614	2,271	2,066	102,597
Cash Out Flow: Loan Repayment	4,490	4,490	4,490	4,490	4,490	4,490	26,937
\$4,489/mo							
Cash Out Flow: Loan Principal		2,000		2,000		500	4,500
From special assessments							
Expenses: Lake Operations							
Required							
Road maintenance	0	0	11,500	0	0	0	11,500
Insurance	0	13,961	0	0	0	0	13,961
Security guard	1,024	1,024	1,024	1,024	711	1,066	5,873
Employment taxes	0	0	845	0	0	1,070	1,915
Snow removal (wages + salt)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Legal	1,028	0	0	3,426	0	0	4,454
Admin, newsletter, postage, tapes etc	0	0	321	0	0	299	620
Property taxes	0	0	0	0	3,008	0	3,008
Utilities (propane, elec, telephone)	115	118	110	124	135	545	1,147
Motor fuel	0	0	0	85	0	0	85
Grass mowing	0	600	0	0	0	0	600
Taxes	270	0	582	0	0	0	852
Gate and Security Expense	1,083	0	0	0	0	0	1,083
Discretionary/Emergency	0	0	0	0	0	8,431	8,431
Equipment repair/replacement	0	0	0	0	0	773	773
Emergency maintenance	0	0	0	0	300	0	300
Building repair	0	0	0	0	4,154	12,184	16,438
Subtotal: Lake Operations	3,520	15,703	14,382	4,659	4,154	12,184	54,601
Total Outgoing Cash Flow	8,009	22,192	18,872	11,149	8,644	17,174	86,039
Net Cash Flow	57,426	1,068	-12,922	-7,535	-6,372	-15,108	-11,500
Checking account balance	153,943	155,908	142,871	136,684	130,024	67,387	673,813
MM account balance	3,389	2,542	2,659	1,311	1,599	1,129	12,629
Certificates of Deposit	0	0	0	0	0	48,000	48,000
Total Cash on hand	157,332	158,450	145,530	137,995	131,623	116,516	693,061
Loan principal	155,766	150,014	146,216	140,419	136,578	132,235	661,208

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LTPOA Meeting Minutes, February 14, 2006

The meeting opened at 7:00 p.m. with the following board members present: Ray Lauer, Kevin Seelbach, Pat Harting, Marilyn Meyer, Larry Kimmel, Ron Sansone and 22 lot owners initially present.

President Sansone introduced Fire Chief Gary Peters from the Goldman Fire District who came to talk about dry hydrants.

Chief Peters introduced himself and said that he had been a fire chief for 17 years. He said that the Goldman district started in 1951 as a volunteer district. The district now is now run thru tax dollars and now has 24-hour paid shifts.

He said that the difference between a wet and dry hydrant is that the wet is under pressure and the dry has to be drafted out. The hydrants at the lake are dry ones. He then handed out diagrams showing how these hydrants work. The hydrant runs have to be under at least 2 to 3 ft of water and the lift has to be at least 15 ft .in for order for them to work. He said the lake has a problem because of the topography of the land. He said that there are very few spots around the lake suitable for hydrants and the fire tanker had to be within 20 ft of them for the purpose of drawing water. A suggestion was made to make concrete pads for the tankers to park on for. Chief Peters said that these pads would have to be able to take at least 26 tons in weight, the weight of the tankers.

A suggestion from the floor was for a dedicated free standing pressurized hydrant. However, Chief Peters pointed out that these also required a dedicated line from the water to the hose as well as an additional pump. A jet siphon was also suggested and Chief Peters said he would look into this also.

The south side hydrant which was not operational was being looked at. It was thought that perhaps it had been cracked upon installation and was therefore leaking.

In answer to a question from the floor, Chief Peters said that it takes approximately 10 minutes for them to get to the lake from when they receive a call. However, because they only have one crew on duty other fire departments may arrive first. He said that the new firehouse is strictly a volunteer station at the moment. It costs approximately \$30,000 for each full time person to be

stationed at a fire house. In order for the new fire house to be fully operational on a 24 hours basis a tax increase would have to be voted in. Unfortunately the Goldman fire district consists of mainly farm and housing which does not generate the necessary taxes to pay for additional full time fire fighters.

Insurance rates can be reduced if you are located 5 miles from the first house and 1,000 ft. from a hydrant. He said that the ISO rates the fire districts. Lake Tishomingo is classified as a class 6 with 1 as being the best.

Chief Peters then went on to say that he would look into tax benefits and grants for dry hydrants for the lake. Grant money for dry hydrants is also available from the Conservation District. These grants are given every 3 to 4 years. Chief Peters said he would look into these. In closing Chief Peters said that we would be receiving a letter requesting feedback on an increased tax/bond issue.

President's Report: The minutes of the January meeting were passed with the following amendments being noted from the Treasurers Report. December Cash Outflow – employment taxes of \$844.60 should be removed and the utilities should be changed to \$134.95 for a total of \$8,643.55. President Sansone asked for a motion to accept the minutes, motion made by Larry Kimmel, seconded by Marilyn Meyer motion passed unanimously.

Treasurers Report: Marilyn Meyer, Treasurer, reported the following:

<i>January Cash Inflow</i>	
LTIA insurance reimbursement	2,013.50
Gate pass revenue	10.00
Interest	42.44
Total Cash Inflow	2,065.94
 <i>Cash Outflow</i>	
Loan payment	4,489.55
Payroll (20 hrs per week)	1,066.20*
Fed & State Empl Taxes	1,069.80

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Salt Spreader	7,682.00
Snow Plowing & Equip Repair	748.58
Parking Lot Rock	772.93
Newsletter Postage	114.40
2006 Postal Permit	160.00
Utilities	245.08
Heating Oil	300.00
Safe Deposit Box Rental	25.00
Loan Principal from Money Market	500.00
Total Cash Outflow	17,173.54
Checking Account Balance	67,387.16
Money Market Balance	1,128.98
CDs (4 @ \$12,000 each)	48,000.00
Total Cash on Hand	116,516.14
Loan Balance January 31 2006	132,235.33
Interest per day \$20.20	
Special Assessments (2004-2005) outstanding	50.00**
Regular Assessments (2004-2005) outstanding	300.00
Special Assessments (2005-2006) outstanding	903.53
Regular Assessment (2005-2006) outstanding	4,694.62
*Amount represents 3 payroll periods	
** Two lots have been taken back	

The following bills were presented for payment:

Quick Shop – Gas	22.00
Newsletter – 2 issues	293.53
Labor for concrete work – 4 workers	637.00
Hillsboro Auto Parts	26.03
Tesreau – Quarterly legal fees	1,460.00
Signature Control – Aluminum arms for gate	504.91
Siren sensor + installation	854.12

Ray Lauer made a motion, seconded by Larry Kimmel to accept the treasurer's reports for November and December. Motion carried.

Finance Committee: Janet Hirsch reported that the Finance Committee had not met since the last board meeting. There was therefore nothing to report.

Security Director: See report on page 15.

Building Director: Larry Kimmel presented two building permits for approval.

1. Dale Farwig – C35 & 36 Construction of new home
2. Fuller – K24 Replace dock surface. This dock is grand fathered. The existing pillars will be used.

Motion made by Kevin Seelbach, seconded by Ray Lauer – permits granted.

Larry reported on the list compiled by Jason Covington on items in need of repair e.g. docks, sheds, garbage in yards, etc. He said that he had inspected each lot that had a problem and that the Board was getting ready to send out letters to the homeowners requesting they take care of the problems. He asked that if anyone was aware of a problem, please contact him.

Larry brought up the question of the abandoned stone faced house on South Lakeshore Drive. He said that he was working with the County and a condemnation notice had been served on January 24. A hearing with the owners is being scheduled and if the owners do not conform, the house will be torn down.

Larry then mentioned the house on D64-66. This has the same problem and he said that he will contact the owners and give them a certain amount of time and if they do not respond then he will send it to the county.

He then went on to list the items that he had also been made aware of a

fence that was not to code. He said that the Board will enforce the regulations. Larry said again, please contact him if you see any problems around the lake that need to be addressed.

The problem of dogs was also discussed. Unfortunately, there is nothing that the Board can do. The county is responsible for this. Larry suggested that if you have a problem with a dog you contact the guard Wayne as he also works for the Animal Control.

Maintenance Director: In Matt Holloran's absence, Kevin gave the following report:

1. Work was progressing on the new boat ramp in the marina area. A new sand beach would be put in. A light will be placed on each side of the ramp.
2. The maintenance area is being cleaned up. This has been an eyesore in the past to great guests when they come out here. He said it was his intention to make the entrance look nice.
3. He then went on to say that he had found someone to take the volcano away. This process will commence when he is sure they do not need any of it for backfill etc.

Ron went on to say that the old boat ramp had been removed. The new ramp is twice as wide and twice as long. He thanked all the volunteers who had worked on the ramp so far. He said that he had initially received a bid for \$15,000 just for the boat ramp and again thanked the volunteers for their help and said that the whole new lakefront area will very likely not cost much more than the initial bid. He said that Wauwanoka used the same type of blocks we are using and suggested looking at their seawall. The contractor has also lowered the dry hydrant by approximately 3 ft. It is out of the water because the lake is so low at the moment. The creek coming into the lake also is in need of being cleaned out before the rains start and Ron asked Kevin to look at this while the contractor was still here.

Web Site: Janet Hirsch reported that she had put an announcement about Chief Peters being at the meeting this evening and that the deadline for the next newsletter was Sunday February 19. She also posted a picture of the lake when it snowed.

Sewer Committee: Janet Hirsch reported that every address on the lake that can be connected to the sewers has been verified. There are a total of 233 houses in the lake, 5 in Tishomingo Forest and 4 along Lake Tishomingo Road for a total of 242. These are the names and addresses which will be sent to the agency for the income survey. Information will be placed in the newsletter regarding the April 4th election. President Sansone reiterated that the April 4th election is the first stage to creating the water /sewer district. The district has to be formed first before you can have sewers at the lake. The next step will be on negotiations between the various governmental agencies, contractors etc. to come up with a price. He said that this would be sewers only. He said that it was very important that we become our own district because water districts could be purchased by contractors and financial institutions and if this happened to the lake we would then be at their mercy as to the type and price of sewers at the lake.

In answering questions from the floor, Ron said that we would need a simple majority of eligible voters and that in the past elections it has been very favorable for sewers. You have to be a registered voter to vote. Janet said that there would be a calling committee so that everyone eligible to vote would be called. If you would like to be on the committee please call her. President Sansone mentioned that we were one of the only lakes around here that did not have a sewer system and that in time it would be mandated that we do.

New Business: No new business.

There being no further business, Ray Lauer made a motion, seconded by Marilyn Meyer to adjourn. The meeting ended at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Pat Harting
Secretary



Boat Ramp and Seawall Replacement



Boat ramp and seawall January 10, 2006.



First day of building, February 10, 2006.



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February 14, 2006.



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