

**Gravel Lake Association  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
October 20, 2012**

Meeting called to order at 10:00a.m.

**Roll Call**

Present-DeSimone, Reed, Brooks, Pinkos, Brown, DeRosa, C. DeSimone, Garrison Hochsprung, Kitzmiller, McGreal, Paramski.

Absent- Dorsey, Flavin, Galassi, LaLone, McDevitt, Murray, Stogis.

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion to approve minutes of 9-8-12 was made by Kitzmiller, seconded by Reed, approved.

**Treasurer's Report**

Motion to approve Treasurers report made by Reed, seconded by Hochsprung, approved.  
(See attached)

**Officer's reports**

**Secretary**-no report

**Editor**- Newsletters should be in the mail soon. It is out for printing. E-mail Chip with any address updates. Boater safety classes will go in the winter issue.

**Internet Ops**- We did get some information on Pay pal. The cost to us would be 3.4% and 50 cents per transaction, which would be \$1.60, for dues. We would need bank account information if we want to proceed with taking pay pal for dues. We could possibly use pay pal for paraphernalia and social tickets too. McGreal will look into how this will show up on pay pal to distinguish what is being paid and for whose dues.

We could also use a square to take dues etc., this cost is 2.5% per transaction, Reed will look into this.

**Fundraising-**

Paraphernalia-Accurate Apparel's website is being sold. We have no information on this company.

Other-Reed investigated and found a Company in Kalamazoo that is as cheap as internet sales. Auto magnets are \$1.61/each, plastic license plate covers are \$1.14/ea. We would rather have metal license plate covers. Also we would like to look into having GL stickers. We would also like to know if we could have whistles with imprints. Reed will look into all this and try to get examples.

**Water Quality**- tabled

**Weed Treatment**- DeSimone heard that SONAR is "outdated" at a MLS meeting. When asked, PLM responded that SONAR is still an effective solution. Use of granular products require certain well setbacks and are difficult to use around boats and docks. SONAR avoids this is as it is a whole lake treatment that has provided good control in the past. Hybrid milfoil is also a concern since it is more tolerant of herbicides. SONAR works well on these. It is recommended that we continue with Sonar. We are considered one of the five most successful lakes as far as weed management is concerned.

**Buoys**- have been taken down.

## **Old Business**

**Public Access-** J. Kitzmiller will call in Spring about rocks and foliage.

**Water quality consultants-** No report. May have water quality checked in 6-8 locations vs. the traditional 4 that PLM currently does.

**Speed limit signs-** J. Kitzmiller spoke to road commission. Gravel Lake Dr. sign was replaced. There are no plans to add signs. On private roads, signs can be placed, but Sherriff cannot enforce them. 25mph is the lowest speed postable by road commission. If we post signs, we need property owner permission and they can not be placed in right of way. Greg and Suzanne will get prices on signage.

**Phone Book-** Jim McGreal has taken lead on this. Content should be done by January 15<sup>th</sup>. It should go to print in February.

**Swamp road flooding-**tabled

**Garbage Service-**tabled

**GL Picnic-** will occur but we do not have a place or date. We chose June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Will determine location later. Should have some kind of cooking contest?

**Fish Stocking-** walleye went in on 10/15/12. Pictures will be posted. Hochsprung will investigate increasing the number stocked.

## **New Business**

**2013 calendar-** board meeting on 4/20/13, 5/19/13 (Sunday), 6/20/13 membership meeting, 7/20/13 board meeting, 8/17/13 membership meeting and Social, 9/28/13 board meeting, and 10/19/13 board meeting.

**Officer elections-** done via email.

**Boater Safety-** will post times in newsletter.

**Whistles-** Pinkos will look into purchasing. Will pass them out to members with phone books.

**GL Stickers-** will look into magnets as fundraisers.

**MLSA update-** as above

**Other New Business-** none

**Next BOT Meeting-** 4/20/13

**Announcements-** will update list of reasons to join GLA. CDs are not making much money. Higher yield on business checking/savings account instead of CD. We will not change at this time. May invest in longer term CDs.

**Adjournment-** 11:21am.