

Gravel Lake Association - Semi-Annual Membership Meeting – Minutes

June 10th, 2023

- I. Meeting called to order at 10:32am
- II. Opening Remarks by President, Craig DeSimone – Remember to pay dues, buy GL gear and raffle tickets, we will have a bylaw vote today (indicated on the agenda), picnic starts after meeting, join the native plant raffle
- III. Trustees and committee chairs in attendance: C. DeSimone, Reed, J. Pinkos, Brown/LaForge, Hochsprung, LaLone, McDevitt, Roeder, Vitkauskas, T. Zwartz, McGreal, A. Pinkos. Melissa DeSimone standing in for Jen Micheli to take minutes.
- IV. Treasurer's Report - Presented by Janice Pinkos
- V. Committee Reports - overview of the committees, leaders, and what they each do - newsletter explained new structure
 - A. Communications: (*e.g. newsletter, website, FB*) - Jim McGreal heads this group, he gave an overview of who is involved in the committee
 1. Kudos to Jamie for her work on the Gravel Laker
 2. Website is updated regularly, you can pay your dues online as well
 3. Looking for more interviews, there is an archive on the website
 4. The facebook page is very active
 - B. Membership: (*e.g. dues collection, phone book, member benefits*) - Lead by Janice Pinkos, she gave an overview of the committee members
 1. Phone book information is collected by this group
 2. New member baskets are coordinated by Suzanne Reed
 - C. Water Quality: (*e.g. Aquatic Invasive Species control, CLMP water quality testing, shoreline restoration, fish stocking*) - Committee led by Ken Hochsprung, he gave an overview of the members
 1. PLM found algae in the channel as well as EWM, they came back 5/31 to treat and will be back on 6/26
 2. Some people put out bubblers at the end of the channel and there is interest in more
 3. Ken is working with the township on the SAD for the next 4 years to keep our AIS treatment going as it has
 4. Fish stocking was partially paid by member donations, DNR is stocking walleye every other year and will do again in 2024
 5. Concerns about tree at the mouth of the channel - it is the responsibility of the property owner, the concern will be emailed to the board so we can try to address it
 - D. Events: (*e.g. picnic, 4th of July, garage sale, Halloween*)
 1. Dan McDevitt stood in for Jen Micheli to talk about the 4th of July activities, he gave a reminder based on the events on facebook and in the newsletter
 - E. Fundraising: (*e.g. merchandise sales, poker run*) - Alyssa Pinkos gave an update on what merchandise is available this year. Liz Zwartz is organizing the Poker Run and she is looking for dock hosts and other volunteers
 1. Jim McGreal is putting together a calendar for 2025
 - F. Safety: (*e.g. no-wake zone buoys, Shaw Rd. safety, boater safety education*) - no report
 - G. History: (*e.g. video interviews, GL historical documents*) - no report
- VI. Old Business
 - A. Trustee elections (3 year term)
 1. Overview - all trustees are up for reelection, all board members are trustees
 - a) Eligibility: must be owner or their designee (<30% of trustees) and GLA member

- b) 15 trustees maximum (officers are elected among board of trustees)
- c) 3 trustees per beach maximum
- d) Top vote receivers **at-large**, and subject to above requirements, are elected
- e) Representation from each beach is preferred, **but not required**
- 2. 3 trustees are retiring this year:
 - a) Dave Brown/Ann LaForge from Winkler Beach
 - b) Carole DeSimone (Roeder) from Willow Beach
 - c) Kevin LaLone from Dugan's Landing
- 3. Nominations by beach (see below)
 - a) Motion to open nominations by Ken Hochsprung and seconded by Linda Vitkauskas. Carried.
 - b) We have exactly 15 candidates and a voice vote was completed by candidate
- 4. Voting - Mike Garvey makes a motion to vote in the slate of 15 candidates as presented. Seconded by Dan McDevitt. Accepted by the membership.
- 5. All in favor of accepting all candidates as presented for a 3 year term. - accepted unanimously
- B. By-law updates
 - 1. Proposed amendment review and the language was included in the agenda for members to read.
 - 2. Voting - by hand vote, bylaw option 1 carried
 - a) Bylaw change option 1 - many
 - b) Bylaw change option 2 - 7

VII. New Business

- A. MLSA conference update - Craig DeSimone thanked Sarah and John Faustino for attending. Craig gave an overview of "lessons learned" at the conference - how best to protect the lake.
- B. Kerry Rhimes - asked about Shaw Rd, we are still working on this
- C. Question on swans and geese - Association will continue to control mute swans with orange beaks

VIII. Announcements –

- A. Ray Barber - *in memory of*
- B. Next BoT meeting: July 15th 2023, 10am, township hall + Zoom
- C. Membership meeting: Saturday, August 19th, 10am EST, Rinaldi's on Gebhard
- D. Massages by Jackie at the lake side, thanks!
- E. Art Earl passed away a couple of weeks ago
- F. GL Garden Club - sign up if you are interested
- G. 50-50 Raffle - Shirley Jensen picked the ticket for \$140 - 372741: Dave Brown
- H. Native Plant Raffle - each winner picks 4 plants for their yard
- I. Picnic logistics - Dave Brown thanks the cooks

IX. Adjournment – 11:51pm

BY-LAWS AMENDMENT - Article IV, Section 1 (Voting) – Amendment 1 Passed

Amendment Option 1 ("one vote"): "Each member shall be entitled to one (1) vote, and in case any lot is owned by multiple owners by the entireties (or is being purchased in such manner on land contract) the owners, collectively, shall only be entitled to one (1) vote. In no event shall one person have more than one (1) vote, regardless of the number of lots or other property within the boundaries of this corporation owned by such person.

Amendment Option 2 ("two votes"): "Each member shall be entitled to one (1) vote, and in case any lot is owned by multiple owners by the entirety (or is being purchased in such manner on land contract) the owners shall each be entitled to one (1) vote with a maximum of two votes collectively. In no event shall one person have more than one (1) vote, and multiple owners may not have more than two (2) votes collectively, regardless of the number of lots or other property within the boundaries of this corporation owned by such person(s)."

To replace the current by-law: "Each member shall be entitled to one (1) vote, and in case any lot is owned by husband and wife by the entirety (or is being purchased in such manner on land contract) the husband and wife shall each be entitled to one (1) vote. In no event shall one person have more than one (1) vote, regardless of the number of lots or other property within the boundaries of this corporation owned by such person."

TRUSTEE ELECTIONS: 2023-2025 term (vote for no more than 15 total):

- Willow Beach (vote for not more than 3)
 - Tom Kelliher (candidate - nominated by Carole DeSimone and Jackie Vellasik and accepted)
- Winkler Beach (vote for not more than 3)
 - Patty Faustino/Rick Rodgers (nominated by John Faustino and seconded by Mike Sadowski/Jackie Vallasik and accepted)
- Idle Ease (vote for not more than 3)
 - Janice Pinkos (incumbent - nominated by Linda Vitkauskas and seconded by Suzanne Reed and accepted)
 - Tom Zwartz (incumbent - nominated by Carole DeSimone and seconded by Suzanne Reed and accepted)
 - Matt Olds (nominated by Mark Kellenbeck and seconded by Bart Richards and accepted)
- Streeter Beach (vote for not more than 3)
 - Linda & Kristy Vitkauskas (incumbent - nominated by Ken Hochsprung and Bart Richards and accepted)
- Chamberlin Beach (vote for not more than 3) all nominated by Janice Pinkos and seconded by Jane Bainbridge and all accepted)
 - Craig DeSimone (incumbent)
 - Liz Zwartz (incumbent)
 - Vicki Carlos (candidate)
- Dugan's Landing (vote for not more than 3) - no candidates
- Lewis Beach (vote for not more than 3)
 - Ken Hochsprung (incumbent - nominated by Janice Pinkos and Suzanne Reed and accepted)
- Sandy Beach (vote for not more than 3) - all three nominated by Larry Grembowicz and seconded Janice Pinkos and accepted by all

- Suzanne Reed (incumbent)
- Jen Micheli (incumbent)
- Chris Toso (incumbent)
- Huff's Landing (vote for not more than 3) -
 - Dan McDevitt (incumbent - nominated by Janice Pinkos and seconded by Ken Hochsprung and accepted)
- Gebhard Beach (vote for not more than 3)
 - Phil Rinaldi (incumbent - nominated by Darla Kelliher and seconded by Suzanne Reed and accepted in writing)
- TOTAL VOTES (add up check marks above): the full slate of candidates were accepted