

Holishor Association Board of Directors Meeting Open Session Minutes February 26, 2025

Call to Order

John Crotty called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

- **Board Members in Attendance:** Jennifer Halverson, John Crotty, Ty Van Ryswyk, Tony Harris, Trish Yates
- **Association Office Present:** Angie Webster, Karla Suttles
- **Members Present:** 7
- **Board Members Excused:** Jim McCann, Sarah Jacoby

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Approval of Minutes

- **Ty Van Ryswyk** motioned to approve February 12, 2025, minutes as presented, **Trish Yates** seconded, all in favor, motion passed.

Transfers of Property

- There was 1 transfer of property, 1 had initiation fees. Membership is at 1273.

Old Business

- **2025 Drawing for Assessment refund** – William and Laura Dycus will receive a refund of assessments.
- **Proposed Boating Rule Change** – After additional research, both the careless and reckless definitions were duplication of IL law and contained outdated language. This is a good example of why we should not duplicate IL law in our community instruments. Refer to page 10 for revised Careless definition with reference to the IL statute. Jumping Wakes will remain a level 2 infraction. The bullets were reordered to pair the two prohibited actions together. A statement was added to this rule to call out when jumping wakes is considered a level 3. The revisions to the reckless definition can be found on pages 13 & 14. Per feedback from the board, we will remove the sentence that starts with “this may include hazardous” sentence. Based on this change, the final vote on this rule will be tabled until the March 12 meeting.
- **2026 Proposed Budget** – The proposed 2026 budget was presented to the Board at the previous meeting for review and to identify any questions. Questions presented were reviewed and minor adjustments were made in advance of the meeting. **Tony Harris:** Budget includes prior years forecast and actuals. Due to inflation and projected legal expenses, \$27.5k was pulled from reserves to maintain the road budget at the same level as prior years. We were asked to determine if additional funds were available for fish stocking and it was determined that there are no additional funds for anything. **Tony Harris** motioned to approve budget for 2026 as presented for inclusion in the annual meeting, **Ty Van Ryswyk** seconded, all in favor, motion passes. **Dave Decker (1184):** The money in the reserves for roads should not be used to balance the budget and should only be used for road projects. If there is a shortage in the budget, this should be pulled from somewhere else. **Tony Harris:** The road reserves were set aside for road work but were not specifically earmarked for improvements. We can either reduce road spending this year and keep the reserves intact or use reserve funds to maintain the planned level of work. Given that roads are the largest line item in the budget that has a discretionary aspect to it.

New Business

- **Proposed Fence Rule Change** – The proposed rule change is to clarify fence structure requirements, ensuring the language reflects the variety of materials now available while maintaining the original intent of the rule.
 - **Tony Harris** motioned to approve the fence rule change as presented, **Trish Yates** seconded. The rule will be posted for 4 weeks for membership review.
- **Proposed Lifeguard Rule Change** – Given that we have not been able to hire lifeguards for several years, we should remove this language from our rules.
 - **Tony Harris** motioned to approve the changes to remove lifeguard from our rules as presented, **Ty Van Ryswyk** seconded. The rule will be posted for 4 weeks for membership review.

Correspondence

- **Outlot post request (246)** – Steve Woodson (246) is requesting a post for outlot 4 for boat parking. This is at the corner of Shore & Cedar. Angie has an action to do a post assessment that will be completed in the spring. The assessment should consider parking (cars) in the area in addition to space for a post.

Action Summary

- Prior Actions:

- Angie to review the numbers under Insurance and determine if corrections are needed on the Bills and Salaries report.
- Angie to complete post assessment by March 26.
- New Actions
 - Jennifer to send the revisions to the Boating rules to the office to repost.
 - Jennifer to send revised copy of the lifeguard rule to the office to be posted.

Open Forum

The following items were discussed:

- **Jennifer Halverson:** The boat safety class had 33 students. Both Joe Gulash and Jennifer Halverson presented the class and should be obtaining certification as a result. Thank you to the Fire Department for hosting the session. We are still looking for additional volunteers to be certified as instructors.
- **Matt Ressler (2064):** Shared that the fishing committee raffle tickets are now available for purchase. Asked what is needed to get an increase in funds for fish stocking. **Tony Harris:** Noted that we need additional income to spend more. **Matt Ressler (2064):** Asked the status of the silt bids. **Ty Van Ryswyk:** It is still out for bids. **Matt Ressler (2064):** Asked about the status of the restaurant. **John Crotty:** Confirmed that it has been closed since September and there is a signed legal agreement in place.
- **Anthony Harrell (560):** Asked about moving forward with charging for boat stickers to provide the additional source of income for fish stocking. **Tony Harris:** The data has been conflicting, with some reports suggesting the lake is in poor condition while others indicate it is healthy. We asked for empirical data and we have been advised to talk to the fisherman. We have talked to fishermen in meetings and outside of meetings and have received conflicting information. **Anthony Harrell (560):** Shared information about the shocking process. **Jennifer Halverson:** Indicated that the excel spreadsheet did not provide conclusive data for an increase. Prior discussions about putting the fishing structures in place to support growth of the fish and that these should be in place before we increase the fish stocking. In prior meetings, the fishing committee indicated that this would be complete in 2025 when the lake was drawn down. **Matt Ressler (2064):** Noted that the only structures that will be put in place in 2025 are under the docks. They will install as many of the larger structures as possible. Questioned which fishermen were saying the lake is fine when those at the meetings have said otherwise. **Tony Harris:** Reiterated that the data has been opinion and there is no empirical evidence to support the request. **John Crotty:** John emphasized the need to represent the entire community of 1,200 members, not just the 100 individuals advocating for more fish.

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn was made by **Tony Harris**, **Ty Van Ryswyk** seconded, all in favor at 7:56 p.m.

Submitted By:

Jennifer Halverson

Holishor Board of Directors Secretary