## Amston Lake District Board of Directors Special Meeting MINUTES

# August 23rd, 2013 6:30 p.m. ALA Clubhouse, 16 Wood Acres Road, Amston, 06231

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#### A. Roll Call of Officers and Directors

Present: Dave O'Brien, Frank Hoisl, Ray Decormier, S; Cormier, Mark Paul, Lou Lenti, Dave Moorcroft, Dave Martin, Sherri-Ann Martin

#### B. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm. Mark Paul explained that all comments would be summarized with the comments from the August 17<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting. A final of the Ordinances to be voted on will be posted for review within a week or so. The Board will vote on them in the September Regular Meeting, on September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

C. Recognition of Guests, Residents and Property Owners' Petitions regarding the proposed changes to the Amston Lake Use Rules and the Ordinances

#### Paula Verrier, Hillcrest Drive, Hebron

Please provide the statutory reference that says the Board votes on ordinances; Mark Paul explained that in 2009, we followed the process provided by our attorney; Dave O'Brien explained that Pullman and Conley specializes in municipal law and ordinances; Paula requested that we provide copies of documentation from the attorney as she requested earlier

#### Leo Foxwell, Sunset Drive, Lebanon

Docks are premade in 8 foot sections; should change maximum dock length to 24 feet or to where the water is deep enough to get boat in or where are beyond rocks

### Andy Stanulonis, Hillcrest Drive, Hebron

How are ordinances enforceable? Mark Paul explained that there is a hearing process is in Ordinance document and was provided by our attorney; fines get appended to taxes and are payable before taxes due; have not had to use process since it was adopted in 2009

How will the fishing bait "only natural to Amston Lake" be enforced? Lou Lenti explained that the majority of people already comply with this and will continue to do so; just trying to protect against those who do not.

#### John Kvasnik, 265 Deepwood Drive, Lebanon

Agendas are not hung up at beach anymore; comes here to get away from TV and computers; please start posting again; Sherri-Ann Martin explained that often, the rain gets the paper wet, even in sheet protectors and they fall off and often people place posters over them; will start posting again, maybe on back of signs so residents will know where to look and most likely will not get covered up

What are residents supposed to do if people are not following the ordinances? Frank Hoisl: Contact security and/or take pictures, if possible; do not put yourself in harms way; Security phone numbers are listed on boards at beaches and ROWs; please watch for and report patterns of behavior; for example, "every Thursday at 8:00 pm a bunch of rowdy teenagers show up at the Ryan Terrace ROW and they scream obscene words and appear to be drinking beer" – if we can report this type of information to the state police, they will come and check

John would like residents to be given written guidelines so residents know what to do to report problems

John doesn't think most people attach their batteries to their boats; Dave Martin: may be true but hopefully, this will make people worry about their batteries falling into the lake Last item: John thinks residents should be allowed to vote on ordinances

Al Fichtel, 203 Deepwood Drive, Hebron

Bass fishing limit is confusing; 12 inches and less should be required to be returned to the lake; over 14", fisherman should be able to return or keep

Al does not believe ROWs should be treated like beaches; the sand is washing over onto his lake frontage; concerned that people are launching boats with electric motors through swimmers; he thinks that 2008.1H is in opposition to 2008.8 (Leo Foxwell was concerned that Lake Day boats mixing with swimmers was not appropriate)

Speed limit of boats – feels Hp is enforceable and should be used versus speed limit which is not enforceable

Kevin Grady, 199 Deepwood Drive, Hebron

Catamaran is moored near his property and now another one is too and it is starting to look like a marina; concerned that ROWs are now party spots since they have been cleared

Kathy Garvie, 95 Deepwood Drive, Hebron

April 1 to September 30, no dogs are allowed on beach; why? Dogs like to swim and cool off too; no one is on the beach in April or May and people want to walk their dogs to the lake; can't it be June 15 to Labor Day? And/or, can dogs be allowed after 5:00 pm?

Paula Verrier agreed with K. Garvie. Said non waterfront property owners with dogs are being discriminated against; thinks ROWs should be okay for dogs before 9:00 am and after 5:00 pm. But dogs should not be on the beaches.

Barbara Sines, 46 Catherine Road, Lebanon Don't make Ryan Terrace ROW a Dog Beach – lots of kids swim there

Lorraine Long, Meadowbrook Road, Hebron

She sees dog manure on Meadowbrook ROW and the past two years, she and her friend picked up (2) five gallon pails each of dog manure

John Kvasnik agreed that he cleans up much broken glass, used Trojans and garbage from Lollipop Beach every weekend of every year; garbage is as much of an issue as uncleaned up dog manure

## D. Adjournment.

Mark Paul made a motion to adjourn at 7:29 pm. Sherri-Ann Martin seconded the motion and all approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by, Sherri-Ann Martin, Clerk Amston Lake Tax District