Beaches and Rows Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, August 9, 2023 @ 6pm – Manion ROW

Call to order: Meeting called to order at 6:05pm.

Roll Call / Attendance: Attending – Patty Arnestad, Jan Garrett, Karen Hinch, Marge Nichols, Teri Nixon, Karen Patterson, Cherie Shaft, Jodi Stubbings, Mary Withey

Absent – Kathy Feldman, Lisa Salerno, John Slauenwhite, Kelly Verret

1. Approval of previous meeting minutes:

Marge Nichols made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 12th meeting and Karen Hinch seconded.

2. Reports from Stewards or Committee Members regarding Beaches and ROWs:

- Main Beach: Contractor did a beautiful job cutting back trees & vines around the parking lot and next to the CT water building, removing 6 truckloads of vegetation. Beach checkers are not responsible for monitoring parking in front of the boat ramp, but Al Fichtel will keep an eye on this when he checks for hang tags on cars in the parking lot. Family owning property on Ames Rd expressed interest in donating another bench for the main beach. Dead tree branches reported on the tree next to the boat ramp. Also, we have received complaints regarding people fishing in the swimming area at the beach, leaving lures and hooks behind. Karen P will follow up with Frank Hoisl and Jeff Greenfield about these last two items.
- **Elsmere:** Question was raised regarding property line. Neighbors are gardening on what people think may be ALD right of way and possibly encroaching on the border. Suggestion was made to have this ROW surveyed.
- Francis: Property lines need to be established for this ROW as well.
- **Oakland:** Goose deterrent flag has been returned to the ROW. Goose poop seems to be less of an issue not sure if the flag is working, or the large groups of geese have left the lake. Request that Lake Health Committee check the white drainage pipe to see if it's blocked because it does not seem to drain, even during rain storms. There has been a lot of traffic at Oakland ROW, including people who drive up, drop off boats without stickers, and use the ROW. When questioned, one person said the stickers were not issued to him yet. Karen to follow up with Al Fichtel for suggestions.
- **Meadowbrook:** Plunge pool is on the contractor's list to clean out.
- **Cove:** Tree in parking area was trimmed. Bushes will be trimmed and downed tree removed. The willow tree may need to be trimmed. There was discussion regarding parking at Cove ROW, and a request to allow parking on a portion of the space, away from the electrical panels. One committee member pointed out that even though there is a no parking sign, there is also a sign (the general one on all beaches and ROWs) that says hang tags are required to park on ALD properties.
- Lollipop Beach: Vegetation needs to be trimmed back a bit at the water's edge on the left side, as it is encroaching on the beach area, which is getting increasingly crowded. A request was made that we designate a place for kayaks and other boats to park for the day when using the beach because they have been driving into the beach area when people are swimming. Dog poop has been observed on the beach, and there has been a problem with people smoking on the beaches. The feeling is that particularly renters do now know the rules and/or do not think the rules apply to them. Suggestion was made to provide a laminated sign with beach rules to landlords that they could post in a conspicuous place. Just as reported at Main Beach, people have been fishing in the swimming areas, and this should stop for safety reasons. Plunge pool will be cleaned out. Boat rack will be ordered, then assembled and installed by a contractor, hopefully by the end of August.
- **Ryan Terrace:** In response to a complaint from a resident that people without lake hang tags have been parking at RT, residents have been checking daily for the past two weeks. Two people were questioned, and they appear not to have returned. No trash or debris noted in the area. The new sign makes it clear you need a hang tag to park there, so it appears the issue has been resolved.

• Manion: Determined that contractor was moving rocks near the road to get mowers in; they agreed they will move rocks back, and indicated they will mow this ROW once/month and weed wack in between so they don't need to move the rocks as often.

3. Old Business:

• Plunge Pool maintenance – plunge pool work has begun, starting with the one on the cul-de-sac at the end of Deepwood. Work will continue on others as time/weather permit.

4. New Business:

- Committee members need red violation stickers.
- Suggestion was made that we have a potluck dinner at one of our upcoming meetings at the clubhouse.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:05 pm, motion made by Mary Withey and seconded by Teri Nixon.

Next Meeting Date: September 13, at 6PM at Francis ROW (Clubhouse if inclement weather)

Submitted: Karen Patterson

Action Item #	Action Owner	Action Description	Date Assigned	Status/Closure	Completed
23-01	Karen Patterson	Determine whether to use sandbags or silt fences at Lollipop, Oakland, RT, Cove & Elsmere	2/9/23	Determine by October; coordinate with Lake Health Committee	
23-02	Teri Nixon	Order addl bench for Cove ROW	2/9/23	Bench ordered and installed	Yes
23-03	Teri/Karen	Railing on steps at Ryan Terrace	2/9/23	Item closed after discussion at 5/10/23 B&R meeting	No longer needed
23-04	Teri/Karen	Rebuild porta-potty enclosure at Main Beach	2/9/23	Completed last week of March	Yes
23-05	Karen Patterson	New bike rack for Lollipop	2/9/23	Bike rack installed with anchors	Yes
23-06	Karen Patterson	Inventory signs at B&R	2/9/23	No smoking signs installed at Cove and Francis	Yes
23-07	Karen Patterson	Update B&R website	2/9/23	Committee members asked to provide suggestions to Karen	
23-08	Teri/Karen	Clean out plunge pool – cul- de-sac at end of Deepwood	6/7/23	Completed in July – rebuilt pools with rocks	Yes
23-09	Teri/Karen	Clean out plunge pool - Lollipop	6/7/23	Contractor hired and estimates approved - WIP	Yes
23-10	Teri/Karen	Clean out plunge pool – Cove ROW; trim bushes, take down cork bush & remove dead tree	6/7/23	Contractor hired and estimates approved - WIP	

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Teri/Karen	Clean out plunge pool – Oakland ROW	6/7/23	Contractor hired and estimates approved - WIP	
Teri/Karen	Clean out plunge pool – Elsmere ROW; remove bittersweet from bushes	6/7/23	Contractor hired and estimates approved - WIP	
Teri/Karen	Main Beach – cut out junk trees and vines next to CT water building	6/7/23	Completed	Yes
Teri/Karen	Ryan Terrace ROW – the rocks at the waterfront are not doing what was intended; ruts are still forming	6/7/23	Lake Health Committee will review in fall; could be blocked drainage pipe	
Karen Patterson	Resident donated bench for Oakland ROW – order bench and have installed	6/7/23	Bench installed	Yes
Karen Patterson	Install additional boat rack on Lollipop Beach	7/12/23	Boat rack ordered 8/10; will have contractor assemble and install	
Karen Patterson	Oakland – request Lake Health check PVC drainage pipe for blockage, as it appears not to be draining	8/9/23		
Karen Patterson	Follow up with landlords to help enforce lake rules	8/9/23	Could include something with 2024 lake passes; letter to landlords; something for 2024 newsletter	
Teri/Karen	Lollipop Beach – trim back vegetation encroaching on swimming area on left	8/9/23		
Karen Patterson	Install signs for no fishing in swimming areas at beaches	8/9/23		
Karen Patterson	Remove dead branches on tree near boat ramp at Main Beach	8/9/23		
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