

Beaches and Rows Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 12, 2022 @ 6:00PM – Zoom meeting

Call to order and request volunteer to record meeting minutes

Meeting called to order at 6:08pm.

Volunteers and members roll call and introduction of new volunteers and guests

Kathy Feldman, Teri Nixon, Kelly Verrett, Maureen Dagon, Jodi Stubbings, Janet Garrett, Karen Hinch, Patty Arnested, Mary Withey and Marge Nichols.

Approve previous meeting minutes – Nov. 10, 2021

The minutes from the November 10, 2021, were approved. Patty Motion, Kelly seconded.

Updates from Stewards/Committee members regarding issues/condition of Beaches/ROWS

Main Beach

No issues. Question regarding whether parking lot is plowed during snowstorms. This had been raised in the past and it was decided by the Board of Directors that it would not be plowed.

Elsmere

Leaves that were in the water were recently raked out of the water and sand was raked. Leaves were raked into a berm to prevent erosion.

Francis

The wall adjacent to the ROW has fallen into the lake. BOD stated the wall is not impeding the use of the ROW. The resident was contacted but no response was received. Concern is that when the wall falls that there will be erosion into the lake. Question regarding whether a letter was sent to the owners. Teri will check to see if the letter was sent to the owners of the property. Discussion regarding whether all individuals who have lakefront property should be responsible for maintaining their lake front property to prevent erosion. Should there be a board policy regarding this? Group suggested that the ROW should be surveyed. As issues arise, other ROWs can be surveyed.

Oakland

Leaves and grass were raked out of the water and a berm was formed. It was recommended that volunteers help with raking. In spring, need to consider replacing some that were pruned during the spring clean-up.

Meadowbrook

No issues identified.

Cove

Silt fence installed. Concerns regarding the number of leaves still in the water after the silt fence was installed. Maintenance will be needed at this ROW in the spring. Leaves will need to be removed from the water and grass planted to help prevent erosion. Next year coordinate the clean-up with the Stewards so that additional leaves can be removed from the water.

Lollipop Beach

Silt fence installed. Suggestion regarding timing of pruning of bushes for next year. Wait to prune until after bushes bloom.

Ryan Terrace

Silt fence installed and boat racks moved 3-4 feet toward the road.

Spafford - Manion

Leaves have been raked and removed. Discussion regarding installing two poles with a chain on either side of the ROW with a path in the center to allow residents to bring kayaks/canoes through. Suggest placing rocks vs. use of poles and chains. Plan to complete action prior to the 2022 season. A volunteer has rocks that could be used for this purpose. Discussed that this ROW should be called Manion to better reflect the location. Group agreed.

Other

Lake Manager Position

It was proposed that a meeting be set up with Karen Patterson from the Board of Directors. The B & R Committee will be notified when the meeting is planned so committee members can submit feedback/topics for discussion

Copied from the BOD December minutes: *Lake Manager: K. Patterson met with the Lake Health Committee, who supported the idea of two separate positions, one focused on lake health, and one being more of a point person with contractors and residents. For the annual meeting they are going to focus on the second position and will fine tune the duties and costs. F. Hoisl stated that he would like to present two budgets at the annual meeting, one with a lake manager and one without. A. Connor cautioned that this idea could easily grow into more than is necessary – and that what we present should start small.*

- Last summer, Oakland was inundated with dogs and their owners, and many owners were belligerent when approached about abiding to the rules. Suggest additional signs detailing when dogs are allowed at the Beaches/ROWS.
- Storage of paddle boats at the beaches and ROWs was discussed. Paddle boats do not fit in the racks, so they are left lying around and often become filled with water and breed mosquitos.
- Also discussed, whether there should be a limit to the number of boats a resident can store at a ROW and if only 2-rack stickers per household be distributed.

Motion to adjourn:

Marge made a motion to adjourn, and Patty seconded. Motion passed.
Meeting adjourned at 7:04pm.

Next meeting date: **Wednesday, February 9, 2022.**

Respectfully submitted,
Mary B. Withey