

Michael Neubecker
Chairman

Donald F. Darke
Secretary

Norm LaCroix
Treasurer

Manistee Lake Improvement Board

Working for all of the waterfront and adjacent property owners who will
benefit from the clean-up and stabilization of Manistee Lake.
Coldsprings and Excelsior Townships - Kalkaska, Michigan
January 24, 2005

Phyllis Senske
Kalkaska Co. Comm.

Francis Kelly
Co. Drain Comm.

The second meeting of Manistee Lake Improvement Board assembled this date, January 24, 2006, at the Coldsprings Town Hall, 6515 County Road 571, NE, Kalkaska, MI 49646. Called to order at 7 pm by Chairman Michael Neubecker, present was Neubecker, Secretary Donald F. Darke, Treasurer Norm LaCroix, Kalkaska County Commissioner Phyllis Senske and Kalkaska County Drain Commissioner Francis Kelly. Also present were Gerald Gancer, Lee Gancer, Pat LaCroix, Rosemary Brow, Harvey Brow, Sam Belsite and Tony Groves. Minutes prepared by Secretary Darke were approved as presented.

A bill of \$15.65 was presented for placement of a notice in the Leader and it was voted to pay this bill. Norm made a motion to pay our per diem quarterly, second by Mike. Roll call vote, all eye. Norm also suggested that we have an alternate available for check signing. Norm LaCroix and Don F. Darke had been approved to sign checks. We will now have Michael Neubecker as an alternate to also sign checks. Roll call vote, all eye.

Assigned tasks carried over from our organizational meeting of December 13, 2005, include the following:

Activation of a bank account by Treasurer LaCroix.

IRS non-profit Identification Number by Secretary Darke. The confirmation received by mail was given to Norm.

Chairman Neubecker stated that Minimum Bonding of the Treasurer would cost \$100.00

Legal Counsel was consulted by Mr Neubecker and Mike Edwards will serve "on call". Mike also stated that the approved minutes would be placed on our website.

As stated in the December minutes, mileage would be paid at 40 cents per mile for approved business trips and out of Township meetings authorized by the Board.

Anthony (Tony) Groves, director of Water Resources from Progressive AE in Gr. Rapids, held a quite informative question/answer session pertaining to Manistee Lake. Thank you Tony. A 50 page Manistee Lake Report that covered the lake for 2005, was made available to Secretary Darke courtesy Dr. Janet Goulet, President of the Manistee Lake Association. This report was presented to Chairman Neubecker.

There was a discussion on selecting a proper mission statement and the following was agreed on: **The mission of this Board shall be to determine the scope of improvements necessary to protect and/or improve Manistee Lake for the benefit of all concerned.**

Our specific projects and benefits will be determined as a result of the engineering study as required under the law.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 21, 2006. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM



Donald F Darke, Secretary

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Coldsprings and Excelsior Townships - Kalkaska, Michigan

December 13, 2005

Pursuant to and under the authority of Act 451 of 1994 as amended and MCL 324.30901, *et. Seq.*, we are assembled at 7:02 pm, this date, December 13, 2005; the appointed members from the various involved Townships, an appointed member from the Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners and the Kalkaska County Drain Commissioner. The purpose of this board shall be to determine the scope of improvements necessary to protect or improve Manistee Lake and shall establish a special assessment district, if required, including within the special assessment district all parcels of land and local units that will be benefited by the improvement of the lake.

Called to order by acting Chairman Mike Neubecker, the first order of business was the call for nominations to fill the vacant fifth member seat. This seat must be filled by a person who has an interest in a land contract or a record interest in the title to a piece or parcel of land that abuts the lake to be improved. There were three names presented by the president of the Manistee Lake Association and after questioning and verifying the availability of the two recommended persons present, the nomination of Norm LaCroix was accepted. With no other nominations from the floor, the Board proceeded to elect Mr. Norm LaCroix as the fifth member of the Board. Also present at this meeting were Harvey Brow, Rosemary Brow, Bob Stein and Gerald Gancer.

Representing the various Townships and Departments on the Board are:

Mike Neubecker, Supervisor, Coldsprings Township
Phyllis Senske, Member, Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners
Francis Kelly, Kalkaska County Drain Commissioner
Donald F. Darke, Trustee, Excelsior Township
Norm LaCroix, Property owner, Manistee Lake

The following named members of the Board, after proper nominations, were elected by a unanimous voice vote for the position indicated:

For Chairman: - Mike Neubecker
For Treasurer: - Norm LaCroix
For Secretary: - Donald F. Darke

The following items were discussed, voted on and decisions made as indicated:

Per Diem was set at \$30.00 per meeting.

Mileage was set at 40 cents per mile for Board approved business/meetings.

MLA to advance us \$5,000.00 to assist in set up and organizational expenses.

Need of a non profit Identification Number. Secretary Darke to pursue.

Bank account and checks. Treasurer LaCroix to activate.

Signatures (2). Treasurer and Secretary to sign all checks.

Chairman Neubecker to look into Treasurer bonding, the availability of an "on call" legal council and the availability of an engineering group to study and suggest the proper first actions necessary to clean up, stabilize Manistee Lake and the estimated cost thereof.

Term limits were voted on and set at two (2) years for all elected Board positions.

Minutes will be available on the website and from the Chairman or Secretary and activities of the Board will be made available to the local newspaper.

Our next meeting is scheduled for January 24, 2006 at the Coldsprings Twp. Hall at 7PM.


Donald F. Darke, Secretary

Manistee Lake Improvement Board, Officers: Est. Dec. 13, 05

Kalkaska County, Kalkaska, Michigan

CHAIRMAN: Mike Neubecker
SECRETARY: Donald F. Darke
TREASURER: Norm LaCroix, Property Owner, Manistee Lake
MEMBER: Francis Kelly, Kalkaska County Drain Commissioner
MEMBER: Phyllis Senske, Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners

Manistee Lake Association, Officers:

PRESIDENT: Dr. Janet Goulet
V. PRESIDENT: Harvey Brow
SECRETARY: Mike Thomas
TREASURER: Jerry Sheahen

COMMITTEES:

Jerry Gancer: Water quality
Norm LaCroix: Fish committee

Coldsprings Township Officials:

SUPERVISOR: Mike Neubecker
CLERK: Mary Hodges
TREASURER: Margo Casto
TRUSTEE: Dee Bondy
TRUSTEE: Dino Paladino

Excelsior Township Officials:

SUPERVISOR: Norman Groner
CLERK: Bethel Larabee
TREASURER: Edith Whitehead
TRUSTEE: Donald F. Darke
TRUSTEE: Dan Prokup