

**Seven Lakes West Landowners Association
Board of Directors Special Session
Monday, July 20, 2009
West Side Park Community Center**

Call to order:

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. Directors present: Ron Shepard, John Hoffmann, Adam Wimberly, Ed Tuton, Mick Herdrich, Karen Milligan, Kathy Kirst, and Ed Silberhorn. Director absent: John Goodman. A quorum was established. Also present: Joan Frost, community manager.

President's comments:

The president stated that an incident of vandalism had occurred on Lake Auman, involving a pontoon boat being started, and directed into the lake. The unmanned boat struck a bulkhead, resulting in considerable damage, possibly over \$10,000, to both the boat and bulkhead.

The sheriff's department is investigating the incident.

The president has requested additional patrols by sheriff's deputies.

Additionally, he proposed two actions to reduce the possibility of a recurrence:

1. Hiring off duty police officers to patrol the area.
2. Offering a \$1,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the offenders.

After considerable discussion of alternatives, Ed Silberhorn made, and John Hoffmann seconded a motion to offer a \$1,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the perpetrators of the vandalism. The motion passed by a vote of 8-0.

John Hoffmann moved that funds residing in the security budget utilized for a compliance officer be redirected to the hiring of off-duty police officers to patrol the community. Seconded by Karen Milligan, the motion carried 8-0.

Ed Silberhorn moved that the "past midnight" lake patrol, comprised of volunteers, be reinstated on "high impact" evenings on a random and unannounced basis. Karen Milligan seconded, and in the absence of director Kirst, the motion passed 7-0.

Community manager comments:

Joan Frost stated that the east gate security system has once again been damaged by a lightning strike, and that repairs are underway.

Member comments:

Jim Ballew suggested that lakeside landowners install and use lights or motion detectors on docks to reduce the incidence of vandalism.

Betty Milligan and Dale Erickson expressed objection to the use of dock lights due to aesthetic concerns.

Member comments (continued):

Tom Allen felt that a \$1,000 reward for information leading to the apprehension of the vandals was insufficient, and that donations for a reward fund should be solicited. Dale Erickson agreed. Each individual pledged an additional \$100 for this purpose, and the community manager agreed to set up, and collect monies, in a separate “reward fund” for this purpose.

Dale Erickson noted that the board must take a “no nonsense” approach to this situation, and encouraged an atmosphere of pride, seriousness, and mutual respect in the community.

Sue Keenan encouraged placing posters in the mail room regarding incidents of vandalism in the community as they occur.

Shane Flint expressed his support of the board’s actions in this matter, stating that “police state tactics were not necessary”.

Adjournment:

John Hoffmann moved for adjournment, Ed Silberhorn seconded. Without objection, the meeting adjourned at 10:33 a.m.

Submitted by,

Ed Tuton, secretary