

Lake Mason Improvement Committee
Wednesday Septe 25, 2024 6 PM – 7:15 PM
Minutes/Notes

Present: Dave Deltgen, Michael Madden, Dale Sankey, Bob Carlson, Pam Klein, John Konkel, Barbara Maley, guest: Bob Salamon

Absent: Mike Atterberry, Liz Lehr, Tim McFadden, Brooke Cooper, Steve Lizer, Jeff Marshall

- 1) Committee includes past members plus new members: Sally Danke & John Konkel. No response was received from attempts to contact Mike Breitung and Dan Hanko.
- 2) Engagement Project
 - a) Reps gave updates on additional residents they have met with: name, address, date of meeting. We have met with 69 of the 156 “neighbors” for 44% completion. Pam has met with some neighbors, however has not been able to provide information re: those meetings.
 - b) Plan: Reps are to hold onto the packets that have not been given to neighbors. Do NOT mail them or leave them with others as the purpose of the Engagement Project is to get to know the neighbors and build a sense of community. Continue to gather reports of neighbor meetings at upcoming committee meetings.
 - c) TABLED: Adding the previously “missed” LMMD residents after Board has finalized the list.”
- 3) Water testing
 - a) Awaiting DNR analyses of the water testing done April 2023- March 2024. Plus the Citizen Lake Monitoring data which is currently being collected during the summer by George and Mary Payne and the Shallow Lakes data which is collected by the DNR.
 - b) Barb had reached out to Scott Provost by email July 16 and again Sept 19 asking for the analysis.
- 4) Discussed our possible next project(s).
 - a) Pam is passionate about creating a newsletter 2-4 x/year for the LMMD. She is looking for assistance / an editor.
 - b) Pam also is interested in having a Lake Mason Day, maybe on a Saturday in August, possible picnic / potluck, a walk, music, carp tournament.
 - c) Pam will be setting up a “Best Fish Caught” photo contest.
 - d) Carp Tournament (Objectives: Fun, awareness of lake issues, etc.)
 - e) Proper disposal of carp when caught
 - f) Bouy placement and corresponding signage
 - g) Water testing results:
 - i) Shoreline Buffer zones if nutrients are from shoreland owners
 - (1) Jim Brancel had discussions with Bella Goose about installing a Buffer Zone
 - (2) Dave D has contacted Pat Kilbey and Dustin Grant asking if anyone has expressed interest in planting a Buffer Zone
 - ii) Refer to county concerns if nutrients seem to be coming from land use inland from the lake
 - h) Docks not all being put in by Mason Station. This is a Township issue not LMMD issue.
- 5) Those present agreed to have a subcommittee work on the buoy issues. Subcmnt to include Michael Madden, Bob Carlson, John Konkel, Sally Danke. Pam would be willing and able to set up a survey of residents if needed.
- 6) Primary project is to be driven by the comprehensive analysis of water testing.
 - a) Plan: Dave to reach out to Scott Provost to encourage him to provide analyses of the data
 - b) Next committee meeting will be after the DNR report is received.

7) Committee Structure:

- a) Michael Madden and Dave D are on the LMMD Board. That will be a good way for the LIC and Board to be informed of each other's activities and direction.
- b) As Dave D is now on the Board, he is not available to co-chair the LIC
- c) Bob Carlson had agreed to be co-chair with Barb.
- d) Dave (with wife Vicki) will continue to set up Zoom invites for cmt mtgs
 - i) Pam will help them know how to set up the meetings as a calendar request so that everyone would get an Alert 15 minutes before the mtg.
- e) Michael Madden will look into getting a floating keychain for all cmt members to thank them for their service.

8) Next meeting will be set after DNR report. Barb to send all cmt members this info.