

Friends of Silver Lake Board Meeting Minutes

April 16, 2024

Call to Order: 7:34 PM ET

Present: Hayden, Byl, Simons, Elrod, Dodge

Absent: Reece, Vander Vliet, Dykstra, Behm, Hanzie, Potempa, Bell

February 2024 Board Meeting Minutes (2/20/24) - Motion to approve February 2024 board meeting minutes as presented by Byl, second by Dodge. Motion carries.

Old Business

Board Assignment Updates - Only reports given are noted

Review Board Assignments

Updated based on discussions in the February 2024 board meeting. It has been reorganized on assignment listing (see below) adding narrative about what an assignment for board members moving forward.

- **State Organizations/Government –**
 - DNR & State Park Liaison / Dave Elrod
- **County Government –**
 - Oceana County Board / assignment?
 - Oceana County Sheriff's Department / assignment?
 - Oceana County Road Commission / assignment?
- **Township Government –**
 - Golden Township Board / Guy Reece
 - Golden Township Planning Commission / assignment? (Marty Hayden)
 - Golden Township Parks Committee / Jason Dodge
 - Bike Paths / Larry Simons
 - Silver Lake Improvement Board (SLIB) / Larry Byl
- **Community Groups/Miscellaneous**
 - Silver Lake Dunes Area Chamber of Commerce / assignment? (Marty Hayden)
 - Silver Lake Recreational Association (SLRA) / Jason Dodge
 - Silver Lake United Voice / Guy Reece
 - Silver Lake Dune Area Property Owners (SLDAPO) / assignment?
 - Upper Silver Lake Association Liaison / assignment?
 - Floradale Association / Dave Elrod
- **FoSL Internal**
 - New Board Member Recruitment / assignment?
 - Website Maintenance / Marty Hayden

Michigan Lakes & Streams Association

This was not pursued for membership with FoSL as it was cost prohibitive.

Kids Carp Cull Contest

Hayden had discussions with SLIB on their plans for the carp cull and it has been disclosed FoSL will be on its own to spearhead the initiative. *See attachment for this year's efforts.*

Hayden motion to budget on the contest not-exceed \$1,000 in 2024. Elrod second. Motion carries.

Silver Lake Legacy Campaign

FOIA request has been made from the District Health Department #10 for all septic permits issued for the last 20 years to properties around Silver Lake. I'm hoping that this info when compared to the list of properties in SLIB assessment district will give us an idea of the relative age of septs around the lake. The FOIA request has been completed with paper copies (956 pages) and I'll pick up the reports when I'm back at the lake. Final cost of this request is \$508.04.

Annual Meeting

Hayden tentatively scheduled representatives from the SLIB and RLS for our annual meeting. The request has been made for someone from the DNR to be there and I'm thinking about trying to get Township Government representation (given that it's an election year). Still planning to present our update on the 'Silver Lake Legacy' campaign. Additional participation to attend?

- Representatives from Golden Township, current or those who are running for any new/open positions.
- Saving Hunters Creek Group - Dodge to reach out an express interest in their group joining the annual meeting.
- Undersheriff - Hayden to reach out to express interest in a representative joining the annual meeting.

2024 Fourth of July Boat Parade

Permit is in hand, based on past events we need to develop promotion pieces, distribute same and operate the event. I'm open to new ideas on how to make this event better, what are you thinking?

New Business

Township Candidate Engagement

It looks like there will be three men vying for Golden Township Supervisor in this fall's election, I was thinking FoSL could create a positions survey for the candidates to complete, and then give them time at our annual meeting (or separate public session) to present themselves and maybe answer questions.

FoSL Board Member Candidate Engagement

Anyone who might be interested in joining the FoSL board, we welcome having those contacts and individuals. We're seeking those who are passionate about the Silver Lake community. Please share these contacts and make introductions to Hayden.

General Board Discussion

MSU has a [Mobile Boat Wash](#) that could be brought in on a busy weekend to Silver Lake

Adjournment: 8:47 PM ET