

**Ann Lake Property Owners' Association  
Annual Meeting Minutes**

**June 30, 2018**

**I. Call to Order:** Dave Maxson called the meeting to order at 12:35 PM.

**II. Roll Call of Officers and Introduction of Board:**

President	Dave Maxson	Present
Vice President	Kent Taylor	Present
Treasurer	Kathy Taylor	Present
Secretary	Maggie Sowers	Present
Member at Large	Terry Dorgan	Present
Member at Large	Sven Anderson	Present
Member at Large	Julee Parker	Present

**III. Reading of the Minutes from last meeting:** Minutes from the Annual Meeting of June 24, 2017 were printed and offered for review.

**IV. Report of Officers:**

**President:** Report was printed in the Summer Newsletter and there is no additional report. [www.annlake.org](http://www.annlake.org) newsletter.

**Vice President:** No report

**Treasurer:** Kathy summarized the 2018 budget. See attached for her summary.

**Secretary:** No report.

**V. Report of Standing Committees:**

**Environmental:**

**Water Quality:** Dave Maxson and Sven Anderson monitor the condition of the lake. Details are in the Summer Newsletter.

**Water Level:** Scott Hedberg reports the lake level is high which is a function of evaporation and the volume of water coming into the lake. We are watching this closely.

**Invasive Species:** See today's presentation.

**Health and Safety:** No report.

**Loons:** Kathy Taylor reports two chicks were hatched on June 21. The nesting platform needs to be rebuilt and The Taylors are holding a Loon

Platform Improvement Party this fall. Details TBA. We are in need of “real” anchors for the platform if anyone has some to donate. (Not cement bricks etc.). We are concerned about the presence of a pair of swans and increasing numbers of geese that threaten the Loon population

**Forestry Update:** There is no DNR logging in Almira township but there is logging in Benzie County. To view maps and provide feedback: Traverse City July 10, 4-7 pm. Traverse City Customer Service Center, 2122 S. M-37, Traverse City. Kalkaska July 11, 4-7 pm , Kalkaska Field Office, 2089 N. Birch St. Kalkaska.

### **Communications:**

**Government:** This is tied into the Invasive Species Report.

**Nominating and Membership:** Terry Dorgan has added two committee members, Sarah Pfeil and Chrysanne Timm. We have a full slate of nominations to be considered for election to the board this year. He states that there is the potential of at least 200 memberships to ALPOA considering all the eligible property owners. He plans another door to door membership campaign this year and is looking for volunteers.

#### **This years Election Slate:**

President	Dave Maxson (1 year)
Vice President	Kent Taylor (1 year)
Treasurer	Kathy Taylor (3 year)
Members at Large	Sven Anderson (3 year)
	Terry Dorgan (3 year)
	Terry Sowers (2 year)
	Susan Sharp (2 year)

Secretary term (Maggie Sowers) expires 2019 and Member at Large term (Julee Parker) expires 2020.

Dave Maxson moved that the slate be elected as it stands. Scott Hedberg seconded this motion. All present were in favor. Motion was passed.

**Events:** Maggie Sowers reports 34 attended todays Annual Meeting. The Boat Parade is at 1PM on July 4 and we have a booth this year at the Lake Ann Homecoming Days. The PPPR is scheduled for August 4. So far there are very few persons registered and Maggie notes that attendance at many of the ALPOA Social Events has decreased. The future of social events will be discussed over the summer at our board meetings. We need to consider if the general membership is interested in continuing these events.

Ellie Flaherty suggest we revise the PPPR to make it free, eliminating T-Shirts and Snacks. This is a good idea and may encourage more people to join in.

**Newsletter:** This position is open. Kathy got the summer newsletter done and it was sent out earlier this month. Newsletter link is [www.annlake.org](http://www.annlake.org).

**Website:** Scott Hedberg reports the website is going well.

**VI. Old Business:** None for today's meeting

**VII. New Business: Invasive Species Report/ Government Report/ Today's**

**Presentation:** Kent Taylor summarized the work of the Invasive Species Committee over the past year.

*We have kept our focus the following while planning for a future infestation of an aquatic plant and all the activity and funding that might entail. So, here's what we've been doing to prevent and prepare for this:*

*Monitoring: 2017 lake survey again found no invasive plants.*

*Funding: Last year's fundraiser met its goal, over \$5000.*

- We have sequestered \$10,000 for any needed 1st year intervention.*
- From our operational budget surplus we will support a civic/public program to have PLM conduct an additional, annual survey*

*Educational Outreach: We distributed information throughout the township on the dangers of transporting invasive weed fragments hidden in boats and trailers by:*

- Lake Ann Homecoming Demonstrations on weed i.d. and boat washing.*
- Distributing informational stickers to boat sellers for use on boat trailers.*
- Persuaded the township to include invasive plant flyers in each tax bill.*
- We encouraged and assisted the DNR in posting informational signage at the boat launch about "aquatic hitchhikers".*

**Guest** Matt Therrien representing Almira Township states that the township has selected PLM to survey Ann Lake each year matching funds from ALPOA up to \$1000. A similar amount and agreement has been proposed for Pearl Lake. These are the two largest lakes in Almira Township. There are 35 named lakes in the township. A question from the audience was if we do not use the full amount proposed for Ann Lake, can it be used to eradicate other invasive such as purple loose strife. Matt notes that it is in every tax payers best interest to support ALPOA and this effort.

<b>Ann Lake Property Owners Association</b>			
Status June 30, 2018			
	2017	2018	2018
	Actual	YTD	Budget
Beginning Balance January 1	2,265.25	3,405.01	3,405.01
<b>INCOME</b>			
membership dues paid	2,520.00	2,040.00	2,520.00
prepaid next-year membership dues			
donations	608.45	218.25	15.00
invasive donation fund	4,434.81	1,081.00	0.00
Riparian income	168.00	162.00	168.00
PPPR income	849.00	105.00	850.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>8,727.26</b>	<b>3,606.25</b>	<b>3,553.00</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Michigan Lakes & Streams Association; annual dues	130.00	140.00	140.00
Subscriptions to Michigan Riparian (for 2016)	324.00	312.00	324.00
Liability insurance premium (annual)	411.63	437.89	415.00
State filing fee	30.00		20.00
PO box rent and misc postage	54.20	9.80	54.00
PayPal Fees	14.47	11.33	15.00
Water level gauge			
Water Quality:	270.50	197.00	327.00
Newsletters/Communication	633.82	480.61	380.00
Website maintenance	0.00	0.00	0.00
Invasive Species:	50.00	625.00	1,050.00
Special Events:			
Annual meeting	77.71	50.00	100.00
Lake Ann Homecoming	55.00	20.00	20.00
PPPR expenses (offset by income above)	774.86		850.00
Membership:	113.90	109.30	225.00
Health and Safety			
Unbudgeted expenses	90.60	0.00	0.00
<b>Total expenses before allocations to reserves</b>	<b>3030.69</b>	<b>2392.93</b>	<b>3920.00</b>
<b>Allocations to reserves (unbudgeted, from undesignated O</b>			
Website hosting fees	122.00	122.00	122.00
Invasive Species Reserve	4434.81	1081.00	0.00
Legal Reserve	0.00	0.00	0.00
Loon Reserve	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sign Maintenance (@ boat landing)	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>7,587.50</b>	<b>3,595.93</b>	<b>4,042.00</b>
<b>Ending Balance Operating Fund</b>	<b>3,405.01</b>	<b>3,415.33</b>	<b>2,916.01</b>
<b>Reserve balances (unbudgeted, from undesignated O</b>			
Website hosting fees	3.72	125.72	125.72
Invasive Species Reserve	9,434.81	10,515.81	9,434.81
Legal Reserve	600.00	600.00	600.00
Loon Reserve	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sign Maintenance (@ boat landing)	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Ending Balance (including reserves)</b>	<b>13,443.54</b>	<b>14,656.86</b>	<b>13,076.54</b>

**Guest:**

BreAnne Grabill, Northern Regional Manager of PLM Lake & Land Management Corp.

PLM is a full service Lake Management Company serving Michigan for 40 years. Ms. Grabill presented a riveting and extremely informative program in which she:

- Reviewed Aquatic Plant Management
- Goals of Aquatic Plant Management
- Native Plants and Diverse Native Plant Community
- Impact of Exotic Species specifically Eurasian Watermilfoil, Hybrid Milfoil, Curly Leaf Pondweed, Starry Stonewort and Algae
- AVAS Survey - a DEQ approved survey technique
- Utilizing GPS in Aquatics
- Biobase Mapping
- Lake Management Plan is made after the survey is concluded
- Lake Management Tools such as aquatic herbicides, physical and mechanical tools and biological controls. PLM can provide all of these.
- Establishing a lake treatment program
- Water quality program is also advisable
- Eutrophication-the natural or not so natural aging of a lake and what factors impact eutrophication.

Questions and Answer session followed.

PLM will perform the AVAS survey in July. The exact date is not yet firm. ALPOA plans to perform our survey later this summer. We hope to learn more advanced techniques from observing the PLM staff.

Dave Maxson has been managing our water quality program for several years and notes that we have an oligotrophic lake.

**VIII. Meeting Adjourned: 1:54 PM**

Respectfully Submitted,

Maggie Sowers,  
Secretary  
ALPOA