

Lake Latonka Property Owner's Association Board Update April 2020

This is a monthly summary of Board activities for our 650 Members. We have a contractor that started to remove the Barnhouse today May 4. There has been an uptick in vandalism in our community – if you see something please call security at 724-699-3196. About 40 Members joined our April 23 meeting via video conference. We will continue to refine the process and technology for the May 28th meeting. Due to COVID-19, the LLPOA office and facilities remain closed. We will provide updates as this changes.

Healthy Lake: Keeping the lake healthy is critical to our community and an ongoing challenge. It is a complex issue that requires a multi-prong approach. The Lake Water Quality Committee has been active, and continues to work on developing a comprehensive short and long-term strategy. We appreciate their tremendous efforts and dedication on behalf of all of us and they have learned a lot. We are committed to take the steps needed to provide a safe recreational lake. The attached chart provided by one of the many vendors that the Committee has met with shows that the lake is in decline. Because of the plethora of lakes in decline across the nation, there are many options, solutions (including new technologies), and vendors addressing these problems. All of these vendors were selling their solution and many were quite knowledgeable. The Committee has prepared a summary of what Members can do to help, and the Lake Preservation section of our website is also a good source of information. We would also like to thank Liz Bistolas for her article on page 32 of the Spring edition of the Latonka News.

A bathymetric survey was conducted in April and we expect the report soon that will help guide our decisions. We also have been working with the DEP on a more extensive permit and will re-engage on their work upstream as permitted. The Committee has also worked with Mike Krupa, Lake Manager, to solicit proposals for a Lake advisor who will manage lake application this year, and help us develop a lake management plan. We have heard back from 4 of the 5 potential Lake advisors and expect a recommendation from the Committee so we can make a decision at our May 14th board meeting.

Financial: Jim Hart reviewed financial summaries at the April meeting and we are on track year to date. He did flag one concern that we do not yet know how the economy may impact the number of home sales and related initiation fees.

Roads, Culverts and Bridges: Some emergency culvert repairs were made. The road contractor currently expects the following roads to be completed in May: Comanche Trail, Itawambi Trail, Kutenai Trail, Modoc Trail, Mohican Trail, Shawnee Trail, and Tass Trail

Rules: Little progress has been made by the Rules Committee to update the proposed rules. Their work will be followed by a review by an LLPOA attorney, and then presented to Members for their feedback at a Town Hall before changes are made.

Thanks for the role so many of you play in helping to making Lake Latonka special, in particular those that are reaching out to help their neighbors during these challenging times. There are so many examples of this often enumerated in the Latonka News including in reports by the Social Club, Fish Club, Women's Club, Latonka Players, Garden Club, etc. Unfortunately, the Spring Show by the Latonka Players has been delayed until the fall, but they are still planning for the

September Fall Festival.

Please provide suggestions or feedback to us at meetings or when you see us at the Lake or email the office: office@lakelatonka.org to get us a message.

LLPOA Board of Directors: Chuck Becker, John Chamberlain, Graig Filer, Glenn Graeves, Jim Hart, Denis Meinert, Tom Rizzo, Garth Stewart, and Michael Turton



Lake Latonka Assessment Based on EnviroScience 2019 and AquaDoc 2017 Reports

EverBlue Lake Assessment Tool

