

**TURK LAKE  
LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD  
MEETING**

**August 3, 2023**

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A meeting of the Turk Lake, Lake Improvement Board was held at the Montcalm County Drain Commission, 211 W. Main Street, Stanton, Michigan on the 3rd day of August 2023 at 4:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Todd S at 4:17 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Todd S, Secretary/Drain Commissioner  
Todd M, Abutting Property Owner's Representative  
Tom Smith, Montcalm Township Representative.

**ABSENT:** Adam Petersen, Board of Commissioner's Representative

**ALSO**

**PRESENT:** Mike Solomon, RLS  
Anne Gaylord, MCDC  
See attached for residents.

A motion was made by Todd M and seconded by Tom to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Todd M and seconded by Tom to approve the minutes from May 11, 2023, as presented. Motion carried.

**Public Comment**

Cindy Ellis – Owns 4 properties on the front lake and wants to keep the lake healthy and viable.

Rick Schute – Lives on the back lake and wants to keep the lake healthy.

Kevin Bannister – Interested in joining the LIB.

Paul Houghtaling – Would like to discuss how to get info out to the public about cleaning boats off to keep new species out of the lake. He would like a sign to put up to tell residents how to wash and dry boats off before putting them in the water.

Judy Schute – Interested in learning about nuisance control.

Greg Kwiatkowski – Interested in joining the LIB.

**Election of Chairperson**

Todd M volunteered to take the position of Chairperson. Todd S asked if Tom had any thoughts. Tom said he agreed that Todd M would be a good chairperson.

A motion was made by Tom and seconded by Todd S to elect Todd M as the chairperson of the Turk Lake Improvement Board. Motion carried.

**Vacant Seat**

Greg Kwiatkowski and Kevin Bannister would both like to be considered for the vacant seat on the Board. Todd S advised that the Board is looking for a Riparian Representative. Todd S wanted to make sure the Board has representation on both the front and back lakes. Tom believes that Greg would be good representation for the front lake as he is always out on the water. Todd M added that Kevin is also very invested in the lake and is

always on the water, too. Todd S added that he is impartial but noted that Greg has been attending the Board meetings for a while and that regular attendance is important for the Board.

A motion was made by Tom and seconded by Todd S to elect Greg Kwiatkowski to the Turk Lake Improvement Board as the Riparian Representative. Motion Carried.

#### Fish Stocking

Todd M noted that they are looking to stock in October and will be stocking 4–6-inch blue gill. He added that they may also stock perch in the spring. The stock will be split between the front and the back lakes. Todd S suggested posting the fish stocking information on FB so residents can watch the stocking. Tom asked if there was any information on the survival rates of stocked fish. Todd S said that the size of the fish has a lot to do with it. Mike asked Todd M if he had gotten the permit yet for stocking. Todd M noted that the permit is still on his To-Do list.

#### Treatment Plan

Mike stated that they treated 7.5 acres on 5/16 and noted that there was quite a bit of algae at that time. He completed a survey on 7/28 that shows 14 acres of milfoil in the deeper water. He said that will cost about 15k to treat in now, but that would keep them within their 20k budget for the year. He noted that a cheaper product can be used if they wait until the spring to treat, but it also gives it more time to grow and thicken. He added that he has the treatment scheduled for Monday if the Board approves. Todd S said that he hates to spend that much money, but he would hate it more if they didn't spend it and just let it grow. Todd S asked if they usually only complete two treatments per season. Mike said yes, he completes two each year and generally believes that less chemicals are better. Greg asked how many surveys are completed each year. Mike advised that they do four surveys – 2 for each treatment, one before and one after. Cindy asked about the difference between treating lakes with sewers versus lakes without sewers. Mike added that he is an advocate for sewer system around lakes. Todd M asked Mike to explain what he can do for native plants. Mike explained that there are restrictions on native plants, and they are only able to treat for navigational purposes. Todd S asked what the Board thinks about treatment for the rest of the season. The Board would like to treat the milfoil this year. Todd S suggested that residents mark their docks with milk jugs if they want their lily pads treated. Mike said this treatment will be completed in mid-September.

A motion was made by Todd S and seconded by Tom to have RLS come out in the fall for lily pad treatments. Motion Carried.

#### Financial Update

Todd S provided a financial update to the Board, including a current balance of \$81,771.47 in the regular ledger and \$2,500.00 for fish stocking.

#### Other Business

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, October 5, at 4:00 pm.

There being no further business to come before the Lake Board, a motion was made by Todd S and seconded by Tom to adjourn the meeting at 5:22 p.m. Motion carried.



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Todd Sattler, Secretary  
Turk Lake, Lake Board

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County of Montcalm    }

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the minutes of a meeting of the Turk Lake, Lake Improvement Board, Montcalm County, Michigan held on August 3, 2023 and that said minutes are on file in the office of the Montcalm County Drain Commissioner and are posted on the website at [www.montcalm.us](http://www.montcalm.us) and are available to the public.

I further certify that notice of the meeting was posted at least 18 hours before the meeting at the office of the Montcalm County Drain Commissioner, which is the principal office of the Turk Lake, Lake Improvement Board.



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Todd R. Sattler  
Montcalm County Drain Commissioner

**Turk Lake Finance Sheet 2023-2027 (84019)**

Tuesday, August 1, 2023

Date	Vendor	Description	Check Number	Expenses	Revenue	Balance
10/6/2022		Beginning Balance				\$ 59,553.39
10/7/2023		Fish Stocking Ledger		\$ 2,500.00		\$ 57,053.39
1/5/2023	Restorative Lake Sciences LLC (21741)	1st Quarter Consulting Fee	171094	\$ 1,500.00		\$ 55,553.39
1/31/2023	Huntington Bank	Interest Income			\$ 130.66	\$ 55,684.05
2/28/2023	Huntington Bank	Interest Income			\$ 219.42	\$ 55,903.47
3/31/2023	Huntington Bank	Interest Income			\$ 179.51	\$ 56,082.98
2/28/2023	PLM Lake & Land Management (16632)	2023 Permit Fee	172282	\$ 800.00		\$ 55,282.98
3/21/2023	Restorative Lake Sciences LLC (21741)	2nd Quarter Consulting Fee	172609	\$ 1,500.00		\$ 53,782.98
5/2/2023	Montcalm County	2022 Delinquent Settlement			\$ 2,502.53	\$ 56,285.51
5/8/2023	Montcalm County	2022 Collected Settlement			\$ 31,497.47	\$ 87,782.98
5/31/2023	Huntington Bank	Interest Income			\$ 264.97	\$ 88,047.95
6/5/2023	PLM Lake & Land Management (16632)	05/15/2023 Weed & Algae Treatment	174289	\$ 5,325.00		\$ 82,722.95
6/13/2023	Restorative Lake Sciences LLC (21741)	13rd Quarter Consultant Fee	174603	\$ 1,500.00		\$ 81,222.95
6/30/2023	Huntington Bank	Interest Income			\$ 271.54	\$ 81,494.49
7/31/2023	Huntington Bank	Interest Income			\$ 276.98	\$ 81,771.47
<b>Remaining Balance</b>						<b>\$ 81,771.47</b>

**Turk Lake Finance Sheet 2023-2027 (84019) Fish Stocking**

Tuesday, July 18, 2023

Date	Vendor	Description	Check Number	Expenses	Revenue	Balance
10/7/2022		Beginning Balance				\$ 2,500.00
		Remaining Balance				\$ 2,500.00

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4:00 P.M.**

**Montcalm County Drain Commission  
211 W Main  
Stanton MI 48888**

**AGENDA**

1. Call to Order
2. Approve Agenda
3. Approve Minutes
  - May 11, 2023
4. Election of a Chairperson
5. Public Comment
6. Vacant Seat
7. Fish Stocking
8. Treatment Plan
9. Financial Update
10. Other Business
11. Adjourn

**If you cannot attend the meeting, please call the office at 989-831-7322 at least two days prior to the meeting.**

**Board Members**

Todd Sattler, Secretary, Montcalm County Drain Commissioner  
Vacant, Chairperson  
Tom Smith, Montcalm Township Representative  
Adam Petersen, Board of Commissioners Representative  
Todd McCord, Abutting Property Owner's Representative

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**ATTENDANCE RECORD**

1. Todd Sattler
2. Joel M. Lue
3. Mike Solomon
4. Rick Schutte
5. Judy Schutte
6. Greg Kwiatkowski
7. Paul Houghtaling
8. Kevin Bannister
9. Cindy Hansen Ellis
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