

MUSKEGON CONSERVATION CLUB

Membership and Board Meeting Minutes

Date November 5, 2024

PRESIDENT: Lance Sjoerdsma

VICE PRESIDENT: Wally David

TREASURER: Travis Wilson

FINANCIAL SEC: Kathy Wilkerson (excused)

RECORDING SEC: Heather David

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: George Steward

**BUILDING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE
CHAIR:** Rick Kasack

MEMBERSHIP: Glenn Visscher
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SHORE COMMITTEE CHAIR: Darren Meyers

WINTER CONTACT: Dan Wetherby (616)308-4221

Board Members

2025: Robert Harris, Bonnie Pierce, Glenn Visscher (absent), George Steward, Scott Thompson (absent)

2026: Dave Stitz, Matt DeWeerd, Steve Van Dyke, Steve Joneson, Mark Benjamin

2027: Lenny Pierce, Alicia Sjoerdsma (excused), Mark Ellis, Pam Stitz, Debra Joneson

GENERAL MEETING

OPENING COMMENTS/NEW MEMBER: Meeting began 7:00 pm. Kevin Dick from Jervis-Fethke Insurance answered questions about the new proposed insurance. A number of pieces to the policy are still in the works. He is working on coverage for the dredge, the board, the docks, and fence. He will can figure out the umbrella once all the other pieces are complete. Current proposal includes: \$1,000,000 liability with \$2,000,000 aggregate, with \$100,000 premissis rented to you, \$5,000 in medical payments, \$0 deductible for property damage on the liability side. Classified as a Club (civic and services), with playground and boat ramp, campground. All club members are considered additional insureds (no additional cost). Property coverage for 3 buildings. Coverage for large equipment still being assessed. There is no liquor liability available for the rental property. Member was concerned that the gate will only open on one side at a time. Board agreed to look into it. Lance and Wally are going to temporarily work together on getting membership set up online and gate entry set up, all to be ready by January when new member information goes out.

MERES: Norm Hoag reported. The boardwalk will not be done until December or January.

BUILDING & PROPERTY: Rick Kasack presented. Club has been shut down, leaf trailer has been purchased. Concerned about delivery trucks and service providers for the gate. Codes can be given to regular service providers. Lance will determine the rest.

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS: Wally David presented. Got a note from DEQ that the PFAFs are still high as well as the algae bloom is still a problem.

MUCC: Lance reported. No report.

CAMPGROUND: Mark reported. No report.

MEMBERSHIP: Lance reported that there were 2 renewals this month.

SPORTSMAN FOR YOUTH: Norm reported. No report.

BOATER SAFETY/HUNTER SAFETY: George reported. No report.

ADOPT A HIGHWAY: No report.

SHORE COMMITTEE: Darren presented. Shut down went well. Working on repairing the seawall with volunteers, bracing the old 12-foot piles with 20-foot pins. Wood trucking is loaning the club a compactor for this. Would like the purchase of a compactor to be considered

OLD BUSINESS: Appreciation for Wally for doing the shirts. Appreciation for those volunteering for the shut down and the seawall repair.

NEW BUSINESS: Wally noted a need for Google Workspace for leadership emails and doc creation and storage. Wally will open up another shirt order in the Spring.

OTHER: Meeting adjourned for break at 8:00 pm.

MCC BOARD MEETING

MINUTES: Meeting began at 8:08 pm, Wally David read meeting minutes. Steve Joneson motioned to accept the minutes, Dave Stitz 2nd, all favored, passed.

New/Old Business: Club needs an email for bills and communication. We already own the domain names. Through Google Workspace, this can be set up. Email would be \$22/mo and includes Google drive for document storage. Email service for newsletter for club members is \$20/year (up to 650 email addresses). Steve Joneson motioned \$300 for email, Google Drive and Mailchimp e-mail service. Matt second, all favored, passed. Travis motioned \$7000 for the compactor/vibrator attachment for tractor for installing seawall and other projects. Steve VanDyke second, all favored, passed. Work crew needs hardhats and would like the ones with headsets for communication. George motioned \$700 for two of these, Darren second, all favored, motion passed. Bonnie is still working on the decking and grab rail for the boat ramp dock. George has updates for the bylaws to be reviewed by Parmenter O'Toole. George will be the committee chair for the review. Darren motioned George to chair it. Steve VanDyke 2nd, all favored, passed. Matt, Steve Joneson and Dave will join the committee. Darren motioned to table the election committee to start of next meeting. Travis second, all favored, passed. Wally and Heather will communicate with Jen and Chuck to chair the Christmas Party. Matt volunteered to smoke a brisket. It will be December 7th from 3 – 7 pm. Bob Harris motioned for a \$900 budget for the Christmas party, Matt 2nd, all favored, passed. Darren plans to write the letter to Carl Johnson.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Travis reported. (See sheets)

BILLS: Pam reported. Bob Harris motioned to pay the bills, Steve Vandyke 2nd, all favored, passed. Pam noted that receipts for charges at ACE Hardware need to be turned in to verify against the bill.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Steve motioned to adjourn, Wally 2nd, all favored, passed. Meeting

adjourned at 9:17