DUCK LAKE ASSOCIATION  
August 13, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Clarence Township Hall 7:00 pm

**Welcome**: President Sarah Cool

Sarah passed around cards for two ill members of the board.  
DLA Board Attendance

Present: Jody Bilicke, Trina McGaffigan, Nanette Hibler, Mike Snyder, David Wheeler, Sarah Cool, Steve Wagner, Kim Gonzalez, Ken Cool, Connie Ross, Pat Moffitt, Chris Parker, Gloria Richards  
Additions/Corrections to this agenda

Agenda was corrected by adding (under Ongoing Business) 4a. Newsletter Editor: Cathy Cole  
Member/Visitors Comments   
Approve/Correction to Minutes: DLA July 16 Meeting

Minutes were corrected by adding Steve Wagner, present for the July meeting. Minutes corrected and adopted as printed

Treasurer’s Report: Jody Bilicke

An updated budget was presented. Mike moved to adopt the budget as printed, motion passed.

ACTIVITY UPDATES

1. Boat Parade

Only 4 boats participated in the 4th of July boat parade, some alternate activities were discussed, having the parade every other year, decorating docks, alternating years of these activities. It might be helpful to get information out several months ahead of the event to members regarding the 2020 Boat Parade. Sarah suggested that we have the boat parade next year and see if attendance is improved.

Jody moved to have the parade next year. Motion passed.

1. Round the Lake Clean-up: Kim Gonzalez

Participation was poor on May 4. Ken stated that he feels like it is a big time commitment for Kim and Linda to furnish treats and staff the Clarence Township hall. Kim also wondered about continuing to provide breakfast. Several other ideas were discussed. Mike suggested DLA pick up items from residents that can’t get to the bins, Nanette suggested that trustees get volunteers to clean up their area. Jody suggested signs to remind people to keep roadside clean. If we are moving forward with some of these suggestions, Sarah would like a volunteer by Dec. 1 to chair the exploration of these new ideas.

1. DLA Branded Articles: Trina McGaffigan, time line for fall

Articles can be ordered August 1- September 15.

ONGOING BUSINESS

1. A: Newsletter

With permission from the board, Cathy gifted Mike Bruce (Downtown Insty-Print) 4 DL beach Towels as appreciation for the color printing that Mike has given us. It was decided that a fall newsletter should be out around November 1. Cathy will create and email a timeline leading up to the publishing of the newsletter.

1. B. Nominating Committee: Gloria Richards

Committee Recommendations for terms beginning January 1, 2020: **Gloria Richards**, Vice President. **Jody Bilicke**, Treasurer (one year). **Lisa Ragan**, District 5 Trustee. **Kim Gonzales**, District 6 Trustee. **Connie Ross,** Trustee at Large. **Catherine Cole,** Newsletter Editor (one year).

Action: Nanette moved that the slate of officers presented by the nominating committee be accepted. Motion passed.

1. Membership Update: Ken Cool

Total membership is 226 at this time.

1. Watershed Committee Report

The committee is scheduled to meet with the Calhoun County Conservation District on August 15, and with EGLE on August 29.

1. Anderson Drive: Sarah Cool

It was noted that the DLA stays neutral on issues, but individuals can be active in community matters.

1. Shoreline Symposium: August 14 last day to register for the the Shoreline Symposium which will take place August 23.
2. The Duck Lake Invasive Aquatic Weeds Special Assessment District

-Comments from our Attorney, Cliff Bloom

-A letter from Cliff Bloom detailed ways money left in the assessment district at the end of the 7 year life of the assessment district could be used.

-Deciding the amount of the assessment for 2019:

Jody moved to keep the assessment at $50. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Paddle the Duck is August 17. There will be 8 stops this year with water, snacks, and shirts to be given at various stops.

MEMBERS/VISITORS COMMENTS: none

ADJOURN: Mike Snyder moved the meeting adjourn. Dave Wheeler supported. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

FUTURE MEETINGS: Tentative 2020 DLA Meetings (Township approval needed)

**TUESDAYS:** April 14, May 12, June 10 (**Wednesday**), July 14, and August 11, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the CLARENCE TOWNSHIP HALL.