

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF TERRE DU LAC ASSOCIATION
INFORMATION/COMMUNICATION MEETING
July 12, 2017 7:00 p.m.**

The Information/Communication Meeting of the Terre Du Lac Association, Inc. was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on July 12th, 2017 at the Terre Du Lac Pavilion by President, Bob Brown.

Present were Bob Brown, President; Ed Weible, Vice-President; Sue Centobie, Secretary; Gary Keithly, Treasurer; Tracey Wibbenmeyer, Mike Tilley and Robert Rinell. Lori Pope, General Manager also attended the meeting.

Mr. Weible moved to accept the agenda as presented. Mr. Tilley seconded. Mr. Weible, Mr. Keithly, Mrs. Centobie, Mr. Rinell, Mrs. Wibbenmeyer and Mr. Tilley voted Aye. The motion carried.

Mr. Rinell made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 20th, 2017 Executive Meeting as presented. Mr. Keithly seconded. Mr. Rinell, Mr. Keithly, Mr. Weible, Mr. Tilley, Mrs. Wibbenmeyer and Mrs. Centobie voted Aye. The motion passed.

Mr. Keithly gave the Treasurer's Report for June (Attch. #1). Mr. Keithly stated cash in the bank as of June 30, 2017 was \$1,226,319.34 which includes various reserve accounts. Mr. Keithly said the total bills for the month were \$57,685.78.

Mr. Tilley gave the Fire Department Report (Attch. #2). Mr. Tilley said the calls were down for the month.

Mr. Tilley gave the Police Department Report (Attch. #3). Mr. Tilley concluded his report stating that he was stepping down as the Fire Chief but will assist in finding a replacement Chief.

Mr. Weible gave the Public Works Department Report (Attch. #4). Mr. Weible said the Public Works crew had replaced 11 culvert pipes on East Capri saving the Association money by doing the work themselves.

Mrs. Wibbenmeyer gave the Community Events & Activities Report. Mrs. Wibbenmeyer said the 4th of July Parade and 50th Jubilee which turned out very well. Mrs. Wibbenmeyer said the Fall Festival is scheduled for September 30th. Mrs. Wibbenmeyer asked to spread the word for any Vendors interested in a booth. There will be a Car Show again this year. Mrs. Wibbenmeyer said Friday night softball has begun and invited everyone to come play or watch. It starts at 6:00 p.m. There are bleachers for those that want to watch. Mrs. Wibbenmeyer said the Association does not have a Solar Eclipse event but the Country Club has an Eclipse event scheduled (August 21st.) Mrs. Centobie said the Country Club is planning an event behind the Country Club with food/drinks and games which will be open to all TDL residents. More information can be find on the Club Facebook page where they post their events. Mr. Brown said Mrs. Wibbenmeyer did a great job with the Jubilee and thanked her for all her hard work.

Mrs. Centobie said her committee is continuing to raise funds to improve the community and the parks. Mrs. Centobie said she had restocked the “Jump in a Lac” t-shirts including some kid’s sizes. There are also polo shirts with the 50th patch embroidered on them which are for sale at the Association office. Mrs. Centobie said the shirts are purchased using Committee funds and the money made from the sale of the shirts goes back in to repay for the cost of the shirts. The profits go to TDL Parks. Mrs. Centobie said she sold shirts at the Jubilee and raised \$230. Mrs. Centobie concluded with inviting more people to join her committee, saying they welcome new ideas to help improve the community.

Mr. Rinell made a motion to adjourn at 7:18 p.m. Mr. Weible seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Linda Brinker said she saw the Board had discussed the weeds in the lakes at an Executive Meeting and wondered if anymore had been resolved. Mrs. Brinker said they have had the issue on Lac Bergerac for over 10 years with weeds growing all around their dock making it impossible to use. Mr. Brinker stated that copper sulfate used to work but it is no longer effective. Mr. Brown said the Board is aware of the issue and also knows it is on other lakes. Mr. Brown said he is not an expert in this issue but knows there are a few options to combat the weeds: Mechanical, chemical or natural such as grass carp. Mr. Brown explained that Cody Gillette has an expert coming the following day to give an evaluation of our lakes and give us some options to combat the weed issue. After meeting with the professionals the Board will have more information to share with the property owners. Mrs. Sharon Fiala said that Cody has been great at communicating with her along the way. Mrs. Fiala said the Board needs to develop a short term and long term plan which includes a maintenance plan.

Mr. Tom Crammond said the principal species in Lac Lafitte is milfoil and he had been able to clear a large area around his dock using the weed rake but it takes many difficult man hours to do it. Mr. Crammond also said he has purchased Aquacide which does work well but it is very expensive at about \$500 for 50 pounds.

Mrs. Madge McCall said they have lived on Lac Lafitte for 20 years and have not seen the weeds this bad ever before. Mrs. McCall said they are trying to sell their home and multiple potential buyers have liked the home but have not liked the looks of the weeds in the lake so they feel this is a deterrent for the sale.

Mrs. Centobie thanked Mrs. Fiala for her previous comments and said the Board had discussed this issue in depth at the last Board Meeting. There was now a short term plan to try to mechanically combat the weeds. A rack and cutter had been purchased. The Public Works committee was to develop a long term plan to address the weed problems. The Board wants to work with the people to get a resolution.

Mr. Tilley said that Mr. Weible is the Chairman of the Public Works Committee and has scheduled a meeting where the issue will also be addressed. Mr. Tilley said some of the fixes are going to be very expensive and with 16 lakes in Terre Du Lac, this is another issue to remember. Another property

owner that was in attendance asked about grass carp. The Board assured all present that all options will be reviewed.

Mrs. Rita Drochelman said she heard the stretching equipment for the park was going to be put at Pavilion Park instead. Mrs. Drochelman stated she thought it was a bad idea as kids from the playground would try to use the adult exercise equipment and get hurt. This would create a liability issue. Mrs. Drochelman felt the equipment should go in Champs Park, as originally proposed. Mr. Brown said the equipment was not donated specifically to Champs Park.

Mrs. Alex Tilford said she had concerns about the Lac Lafitte fireworks with many cars lining the dam of Lac Calista to watch the fireworks from there. Some cars drove thru the crowd at fast speeds making it very dangerous. Mrs. Tilford said she would like to see the Lac Calista dam closed with barricades on both ends for the fireworks next year. Mr. Tilley said he would talk to the Chief of Police about the issue.

Ms. Diane Moore said Rue Orleans on the gravel part needs speed limit signs because cars speed down it regularly. Mr. Tilley said he would talk to the Chief about this also.

Multiple people present said the UPS truck drives entirely too fast all around the community and requested the Police ask them to slow down.

Mrs. Cheryl Sprague said she lives on Lac Catalina and the weeds on the lake are much worse than last year with the growth spreading almost entirely across the lake.

Mrs. Sandy Bender said she did not mean to criticize the Board but all of the members pay assessments to take care of the roads, lakes, etc and it should not be up to the people to take care of the weeds in the lakes. Mrs. Bender said during the June meeting Cody Gillette had some analysis and she asked why none of it had been used.

Mrs. Alex Tilford suggested if the weed control costs were high, the Association consider a special assessment to be used as everyone has the opportunity to use and enjoy the lakes.

Bob Brown, President

Suzi Centobie, Secretary