Susin Lake Association Meeting Minutes May 22, 2016

The meeting was held Sunday, May 22, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. at the Springfield Township Fire Station #2. Officers Brad Abel, President; Steve Vaughn, Vice President; and Linda Start, Secretary were in attendance. Nine SLA members attended.

Website/Communications

Feedback on the website (http://www.susinlake.org) and e-blasts has been positive. Association Members have asked if the e-mail list can be used to communicate information for sales, such as docks, hoists, etc. It was agreed that the list will be used only for Association business. Officers will look into a previously established Susin Lake Facebook page and explore if it will be useful for this purpose.

Lake Treatment Schedule

Persistent growth of algae was noted. A second treatment will occur before Memorial Day. There will be no swimming restrictions with this treatment.

Boat Launch and Boating Safety

Boat Launch-Association officers have keys to the boat launch. The launch is to be used for spring launch and fall removal. No visiting boats, no day launching. A liability waiver must be signed before launching and can be downloaded from website. A \$10 check is required for each launch and retrieval.

Boating Safety-Boaters were reminded of boating rules and regulations. Boating traffic must proceed counter-clockwise around the lake; spotters are required when pulling skiers, tubers, etc.

Swan Update

Although the SLA has a five year permit to treat swan eggs, SLA officers decided to collect feedback from Association Members whether the eggs should be treated or left alone. Forty-two riparians responded to the survey; 28 supported leaving the eggs alone; 14 supported treating the eggs. The swans now have two cygnets. Any incidents related to the swans should be reported to SLA officers. Officers agreed to review the swan situation at the end of the season and determine which action should be taken next year.

Lake Health and Invasive Species

An update was given on current Springfield Township efforts to combat invasive species, including Eurasian milfoil, starry stonewort, phragmites and swallow wort. If anyone believes they have an invasive on their property they should contact the township.

Treasurer's Report

Account balance as of April 30 is \$3,610.83.

Election of SLA Secretary

Motion made by B. Abel, seconded by S. Vaughn and unanimously approved to elect Chris Cooper as the Susin Lake Association Secretary to replace Linda Start.

Volunteer Work Teams

B. Abel asked to form volunteer teams to complete needed work.

Dam Maintenance-M. Williamson volunteered to lead a team to keep vegetation off the dam area.

Launch Maintenance-We are seeking a volunteer(s) to lead or join the team to assist with Launch Maintenance, specifically the chain and rotting posts. Materials to be paid for by the SLA.

Other Issues discussed included:

No trespassing signs will be posted on Dixie Highway.

Marker buoys will be placed in the sand bar area

Trash on the Island has been reported to Springfield Township. Members may contact the Township regarding this issue.

Barking dog has been reported to the Sheriff's Office. Members may contact the Sheriff's Office regarding this issue.