

Hidden Valley Lake

Property Owners Association
Annual Meeting
Saturday, April 4, 2009 1:00pm
UNAPPROVED

Board of Directors Present: Robert Starks, John Fruin, Bill Blantz, Karen Shell, and Donna Lask.

Community Manager Present: Bruce Keller

President Robert Starks called the Annual Meeting to order at 12:59 p.m. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Thank you for coming out on such a beautiful day.

We will begin with the introduction of the Board nominees. There will not be any questions of the nominees, but they will speak.

Jeff King

I would like to thank all of you for coming out this afternoon. I will be brief so we can all get back to our weekend. I am not going to stand up here and tell you what I have done or what I am going to do. You don't measure success by what you have done or built. Say a kind word to a stranger, help others in need without asking what I can get out of this. We are a community of friends, bound by our beautiful surroundings. Peace, love and unity to all of you. Win or lose I will make 2009 a great year for Hidden Valley Lake. Thanks.

Robert Starks

Hello, I am Bob Starks and for the past year it has been my privilege to serve as your HVL-POA Board President. During the past two years I have worked to increase transparency and strengthen our community. I initiated a new rule that requires a vote from you for any financial expenditure that exceeds 15% of our annual budget. I also initiated a rule that any forgiveness of debt must be done in an open, public meeting and I have campaigned regularly to maintain sound fiscal policies.

Going forward I am happy to report that our 2009 budget covers nearly all of the items requested by our committees and staff, and it is also a balanced budget.

I have worked closely with and have great respect for our Finance Committee. I believe the message from the Finance Committee is that we need to be thoughtful and resourceful as we plow through the uncharted waters of this current economic situation. HVL is currently in good financial condition and the finance committee has proposed accelerating the payments on this building which would reduce our future cost for interest and is being considered as a possible cost reduction.

To further reduce expenses we have engaged an attorney to seek permanent tax relief for our roads. If successful this could reduce our taxes substantially. We are also seeking a refund of taxes for the past three years. If we are successful in getting these taxes returned, I will campaign the Board to seek your input before applying those funds to any use.

If Willie's continues to be a success we will begin collecting rent next year which will further help to offset some of our increasing cost of operations. Please continue to visit Willies often and just tell Steve that Bob sent you.

I am for open meetings, I support our professional staff. I believe our security and fiscal responsibility are paramount but also must be balanced with the continued maintenance and improvement of our community. It has been my privilege to get to know and work with many of you in a constructive and positive fashion. We have a great place to live in Hidden Valley Lake and there will never be a better time than now for all of us to pull together and work for a secure future.

I will very much appreciate your vote in order to continue my goals of improving amenities, maintaining a balanced budget and to keep you informed and involved.

Thank you.

Jeff Fuell

I am not all dressed up for Bob Sypniewski, but have a major fund raiser to attend in a few hours. With the previous Candidates Night and all the questions and answers online I don't have a major speech. Just want you to know I am here to serve you the way I have for the past several years. Thank you.

President's Report: Robert Starks

Hello all,

Please aware that voting will close in twenty minutes. If you have not voted, please do so now.

We recently had a very pleasant surprise. When Bruce called to order pizza for our Annual Meeting today, he was informed that the pizza would be supplied free as a gift from the LaRosa Pizza Company. Our thanks to LaRosa's for this very nice gift to our community.

We have had another really great year here in the valley and the thanks go out to many of you.

Starting with the HVL – POA Board of Directors, Vice-President, John Fruin, Treasurer, Donna Lask, Secretary, Karen Shell, and our most versatile "Member at Large", Bill Blantz. May we please have a round of applause for this hard working group?

And of course our entire staff, beginning with our Community Manager, Bruce Keller, our Chief Deputy, Linda Estes, Earl, Chris, Angie and Gloria. May we please have a round of applause for our staff including those who could not join us today.

And also our hard working Committees. You will meet many of the committee members during the committee reports.

It has been my privilege to work with many of you and it has been especially good to get to know so many of you. I am continually amazed at the collective knowledge available here in HVL. We are fortunate to have each of you. The sharing of collective knowledge and working together constructively is what makes so many of our HVL projects the huge success that they always are. Spring is nearly here and we are starting a new year. Lets all work together constructively for the continued success of our HVL community. Thank you.

Secretary's Report: Karen Shell

A Motion to approve the 2008 Annual Meeting Minutes. Motion made by John Fruin and seconded by Bill Blantz. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Donna Lask

Donna gave a slide presentation. Please see attachments.

Community Manager's Report: Bruce Keller

The Property Owners Association is coming off of a year in which it is hard for me to find negatives. Understand that I speak from an employee's point of view. I will cover these successes in 5 categories; Administration, Maintenance, Security, Recreation and General.

Administration: This year we brought the Office into the 21 century. We purchased and installed a digital ID system which will allow us to keep photos on line. The process is shorter and more efficient and saves you money. The staff continues to bring you information at your fingertips. You can be updated immediately by reviewing HVL's website or registering on our list serve. Your monies and your process continue to be sound under the watchful eyes of your POA Administrative Staff of Chris, Moe and Gloria.

Maintenance: Where Do I begin? Rick Manion continues to run a tight ship and has not shown me any limitations in what his crew can do. They brought us through a tough snow season and at least for now it looks like it will be within budget. After almost 10 years of looking at a sink hole the residents living around Crystal Lake Dam can be assured it is finally operating the way it should. All that is left at this point is the Geotechnical survey and the entire project will be complete. Because of our maintenance teams can-do attitude the total cost for the Crystal Lake project will come in around \$54,000 vs. the \$65,000 projected cost. Thanks to Rick, Jason, Phil, Jim and Bob HVL looks as good as ever.

Security: This year the Valley was selected as the safest community in the Greater Cincinnati Area by Cinci magazine. This is in great part due to the diligence of Linda and her deputies. Linda is developing a security department of fairly new deputies that promises to be the best HVL has seen. Linda was able to add a Dodge Durango to our fleet of patrol cars. This will be a year of thinking out of the box. One such initiative is concerning speeding in the Valley. This continues to be the biggest complaint I hear. We get many calls from residents stating they have seen speeding vehicles. When the deputy sits on their street and runs radar we see no speeders. This year we want residents concerned with speeders to set up an appointment with Linda and a deputy will sit with you on your street and allow you to see the radar gun. Also, there is no doubt that the speeding has lessened due in part to Judicial bringing forth a motion to the board increasing speeding fines to \$120.50. Rest assured that the Valley is in safe hands with Linda, Earl, Joel, Paul, Tony, Jeff and Eric.

Recreation: Angie has been busy making sure you have the opportunity to stay fit and enjoy a safe swim at the pool or the beach. This year she devised a plan which extended the hours at the fitness center while keeping you safe by having a security key pad installed. Only a member can enter the fitness center and work out. Working with Rick, she has secured the installation of an anti entrapment device for our pool making us one of the few in the area to meet federal guidelines and open our pool on time.

General: Although there are a lot of great things that have been done, there are still some challenges. I continue to get complaints and comments predicated on false information. These calls normally start with "So and so told me". They have subsided a bit, but I still want the

community at large to feel free to call me or even come in and allow me to show them factual information.

Keeping our plot plans updated continues to be a problem. Every year we find sheds, decks, fences, pools, play sets, etc. that have not been approved. We have found some of these items that were installed over 5 years ago. If you have any doubt that something on your lot was not approved, be proactive and come into the office so we can help you rectify the situation.

This community continues to be an outstanding place to live and to work.

VRUC Report: Bob Sypniewski

I did not have anything prepared, but will say a few words. We are mandated by the state to make improvements to the sewer system. We are putting in new drain lines and a pump will be installed, then moving over to the old tank. All of this will cost money and we are trying to obtain a large loan to cover cost of this and pay off old debt. State mandates inspection of homes for illegal sump pumps draining into the sewer system. Pumping rain water to Greendale is very costly. The first 300 homes have been inspected and no illegal sump pumps have been found. To help with the loan we will have a rate increase but will try to keep rates in line. A resident asked if they are checking downspouts also, and Bob replied yes. Another resident asked if the loan amount is over 9 million. Bob stated he is not sure where that figure came from. They are trying to get government money for a line of credit.

Robert Starks stated that voting is now closed.

Willie's Sports Café Report: Steve Van Wassenhove

I want to thank the Board and Bruce Keller. I am a little nervous about that first rent payment, though. This past year has been tough. Everyone who comes to dine is having economic issues. Last year we lost a former employee, Jordon Baker. I have been a resident for four years now. It's been a transition and positive year. Last night was good. When Bill Acra waits 20 minutes for a table, you know it's a good night. I will be happy to give back to the community with our rent payments. My role is changing. I ran two locations, but will now be full time here. I want to work on getting the quality on track and improving the appearance of the building. We are a restaurant first, and a bar second. As a property owner I am invested in giving back to the community as much as anybody. I appreciate all the customers that frequent the business. We now serve Sunday brunch 9-2 pm. We are 100% community based with 1800 households. The list serve was started last year and is great for getting emergency info out such as snow emergencies and for the committees to communicate. A resident complimented Steve about the service and he stated that he has a high level of expectation and now he will be here full time.

COMMITTEE & CLUB REPORTS

Architectural Committee Report: Jeff Fuell

We have added a few new members this year. The number of houses is down, but we expect more renovations and remodeling. Thank you.

Finance Committee Report: John Reiniger

"All is well."

Parks & Recreation Committee Report: Dan Puterbaugh

Spring is so invigorating. Spring days like these tend to give us a renewed sense of purpose as nature comes to life before our very eyes. How appropriate it is that our community, which is so

attuned to nature and respect for its beauty, chooses this time of year to Elect our new Board of Directors and hold our Annual meeting.

I am here to speak to you today as President of the Athletic Club and Chairman of the Parks and Recreation Committee. According to Webster's Robert's Rules of Order simplified and applied: Committee's are considered the workhorses of any organization and much business is discussed, investigated, and carried out in committees. The Parks and Recreation Committee subscribes to this definition of a Committee and I'm here to tell you that each member of this committee devotes a great deal of their personal time brainstorming, problem solving, and getting their hands dirty by physically working, all in service to you: our friends and neighbors. Each year at the annual meeting the Committees and Clubs are asked to review the accomplishments of the past year and give a hint of their organizational goals for the year ahead. So without further ado, here are the accomplishments of the Parks and Recreation Committee for 2008:

- Streets and Parks served as a catalyst for removal of the Red Barn.
- We helped the Civic Club get their new storage facility kick started.
- Although a majority of the work was done in 2007, the fruit of that work came to being in 2008 with new road striping.
- Jointly with the Athletic Club we put up a new sign at Community Park and Lightner Fields.
- With our input and assistance a new connector path was paved from the Community Center across Alpine Rd to the Community Park
- Again with our input the Dam Sign was refurbished. A special thanks to Rick Manion for his outstanding stone façade work at the base of this sign.
- We put forth a survey to the Community and made a lengthy Presentation outlining the condition of the Front Entrance and possible future renovation.
- We've conducted a Community Education Campaign in relation to the Emerald Ash Borer. Much of the credit for this belongs to P & R Committee member- Kathy Wirth.
- With the financial contributions of the Civic Club, brand new Letterboard/Community announcement Signs have been installed.
- In March of 2008, we requested a realignment of Committee responsibilities. We were converted to the Parks and Recreation Committee having previously been the Streets and Parks Committee.
- We also spearheaded the effort for conducting a Pre-Budget Project Priority Meeting amongst most of the Committees/Clubs and the BOD. This has now evolved into the revival of the Coordinating Council.
- We helped identify the need for a Park Maintenance Employee. Hopefully, you've noticed that the park bathrooms are now always open during the day and kept clean. Also, a large amount of non-monetary work is being done with general upkeep and maintenance items throughout the park.
- We've also done a significant amount of trail clearing and upkeep in the park.

As for the Athletic Club last year;

- We built new dugouts and concrete pads
- We helped finance new soccer fields and baseball fields
- We reorganized both the baseball and soccer programs to meet the needs of our Communities families. We are continually striving to build a fun recreational program that is focused on the development of these children. As evidence of our success, we saw a 30% growth in the program last year.

In 2009, our goals and mission are more clearly defined now that we are not dealing with the broad spectrum of Streets and all that it entails. So here is our list of goals for 2009:

- First we want to develop a Comprehensive Woodland and Wildlife Management System. Now what does that mean? It means we want to identify and protect against the threats to our local ecosystem. We have plans to remove the various vines that are choking the life out of the mature trees in our green spaces. We know we have a major problem with an invasive species of shrub called Honeysuckle. If we don't act soon to remove it, it will take over. We also plan to work hard to identify the numbers and various species of wildlife in our community and the effect they have on our local Ecosystem; specifically the Deer Herd. We think it's important to maintain a balance to protect what many of us love about this unique community of ours.
- We plan to continue work on the new baseball and soccer fields in the park.
- We have set aside funds to expand and upgrade our walking path and trail system in the park.
- We will continue work on a design for the Front Entrance and hope to bring some exciting proposals forth to the Community and our BOD's.
- We will be installing new trail signs inside our parks to help our residents better identify their location.
- We will begin work on a fantastic new amenity: a Community Amphitheatre.
- We also hope to identify other needs and upgrades throughout our various parks and greenspaces including a review of our POA playsets.

The Athletic Club goals for 2009 are:

- To continue to focus on player and program development and,
- Look for ways to upgrade and improve our current infrastructure

In closing, I'd like to take this opportunity to remind the BOD and candidates that the work ahead will not always be easy. Prevailing wisdom states that; it's impossible to please 100% of the people 100% of the time and also, that leaders spend 90% of their time on 10% of the people. I'd urge each Director to foster an environment of open communication and, (when appropriate), seek out the opinions of the other 90%. Their input is also valuable. On behalf of the Parks and Recreation Committee and the Athletic Club, Good Luck to each of the candidates and we look forward to doing some great work with each of you in the years ahead!

The following report by Angie Ruberg was inadvertently omitted:

Pool -

Had an excellent season in 08, hundreds of kids participated in our swim lesson programs. We offered Water Aerobics classes. We also had Boot Camp Fitness Classes at the Tennis Court/Basketball Court Area. A new sign was put up on the front of the pool. Parking lot poles and chain removed and replace with parking curbs.

Added the barcodes and connected the pool to the database. This allows us to keep track of attendance and residents with past due billing can not use the facility. This was a big change at first but made check in much more efficient. Redirected all incoming and outgoing pedestrian traffic through the office and closed off the bathrooms. This made it much safer for parents whose children would run through the restrooms to the parking lot. Better for me to keep an eye on who is coming and going.

Anti Entrapment grate will be installed prior to opening which is May 23, 2009.

Swim lesson dates are set for 2009

June 8-12 and June 22-26 Registration is May 26, 12:00 at the pool and July 6-10 and July 20-24
Registration for this session is June 26, 12:00 at the pool the cost is \$30.00 for the first child
\$25.00 for each additional in the same family/household. All kids must be 3 years old by January
1, 2009

Water Aerobics will begin June 17, 7:30-8:15 Wednesdays (6 week program)

Boot Camp will begin June 9, 9:30-10:15 Tuesdays and Thursdays for 6 weeks.

Beach will be getting 2-3 loads of sand, new poles for boats to tie up to, some drainage issues
fixed, roof repair.

Pool Party rental form and swim lesson forms added to the website.

Fitness Center –

Membership is holding pretty consistent, added the keyless entry at the end of 2008. First 3
months of 2009 have been excellent. Extended the operating hours 5:00 AM to Midnight Daily.
89 new members joined in 2008, so for the first 3 months of 2009 we have had 43 new members.
Getting great feedback from members.

We have about 30 group exercise classes offered each month all included in the membership.
(Zumba, Body Sculpting, Yoga, Yoga for seniors, Strength Training)

Stroller Group for members and non members, special College Student memberships. New
summer group classes will be offered at the pool.

Enrollment forms and class schedule has been added to the HVL Website.

Judicial Committee Report: Emmy Myers

Hello Everyone – My name is Emmy Myers and I have been on the Judicial Panel for the past
five years. The Panel is made up with a great group of people with a wide variety of
backgrounds and a good mix of personalities. We think one of our accomplishments this past
year was asking for the Boards approval to make the fines for all traffic violations match those of
Dearborn County, which are \$120.50 per violation. We think it has made a small improvement
in speeding but as a community we still have a long way to go. We all need to watch our speed.
We hope the community perceives the Judicial Panel as fair and balanced, knowing that the HVL
Handbook is used as our guideline. We don't have a budget but do bring in revenue. Thank you.

Homemaker's Club:

No report.

Safety, Security & Elections Committee Report: Bob Sypniewski

- A) COMMITTEE NAME CHANGE: Last year we were Community Safety and
Elections Committee. This year we're S, S & E Committee (Don't forget the
comma!)
- B) COMMUNITY EVENTS
 - 1) Bike Rodeo - Thanks to the efforts of Deputy Earl Wilhelm, the first HVL
bike rodeo was held last year. Although sparsely attended, it was well

organized. Those that did attend had a good time and learned a lot about bicycle safety. We're looking forward to a bigger and better program this year and a larger attendance.

- 2) Drug Awareness Program – Another well organized yearly event. This year's program was more elaborate than ever and bought out a much larger crowd. Thanks to our Chief of Deputies (Linda Estes) for organizing and running this program now for the 4th straight year.
- C) BY-LAW CHANGES – Board approved revisions to the requirements for submitting a nominating form to run for the POA Board. Although always submitted, the handbook now states that a picture and resume are required with the nominating form.
- D) COMMUNITY CENTER ELEVATOR – Don't look for it because we didn't install one. Instead, the access road behind me allows handicapped residents to access the center without having to manage stairs. It also facilitates easier deliveries for setup of private events.
- E) OTHER IMPROVEMENTS TO OUR COMMUNITY
- 1) KEEP OFF THE ICE signs are installed each winter at all of our lakes.
 - 2) Deputies shack at the main entrance now has a sign listing the phone number to call if the deputies are needed while out making their rounds. That number connects to the sheriff's dispatcher who in turn can contact our deputies via radio and advise them of your needs.
- F) ROAD SAFETY
- 1) Bruce Keller and I drove around the Valley with Todd Listerman (Dearborn County Safety Engineer) and looked for traffic sign updates that were needed. As a result of our trip, approximately 25 new stop signs have been added at various intersections.
 - 2) Members of the committee worked with Kathy Wirth on developing 'RULES OF THE HVL ROAD' signs for all of the entrances. We have money in our budget this year for going ahead with the project.
 - 3) Although it's really Bruce Keller's project, we worked with him on the installation of the road striping coming up the hill on Alpine. Additional striping will be done this fall.
 - 4) Speeding is a continuing concern. Many residents have complained about speeders on their street only to find out that when the deputies ran radar and showed the results to the residents, the response was "They looked like they were going a lot faster than what the radar gun registered".
- G) 2009 PROJECTS – More road signs. Mostly additional speed limit signs to remind drivers that the limit is still 25 MPH.

Civic Club Report: Robin Harrison

- Paid \$3000 for new community signs per POA board request
- Kept old signs up to date with community information
- Funded new maintenance shed and shelving for community when the red barn retired
- Coat rack and trash cans for Community Center
- Held donations for MLK Day – donated \$50, collected \$400 and 4 barrels of food for the hungry
- Held Mardi Gras party at Willie's with band for 300 people
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Spring and Summer Volleyball
- Held Keep America Beautiful – paid for donuts and coffee and collected 60 bags of garbage, donated gardening plants and clean up supplies
- Summer Pontoon Parties
- Held Luau on the Beach, food, beverages, can recycling, tiki torches and band for over 500 people and raised money for children's sports activities
- Paid for tents, band and cookout and Bike Parade for July 4th at the beach for HVL residents
- Teen Pool Parties
- Held Summer Campout for families with children in HVL
- Held card nights twice monthly in winter months
- Garage Sale Day
- Funded and Staffed Haunted Hayride for over 600 participating residents
- Held Make A Difference Day collected 40 bags of trash, donated 300 daffodil bulbs
- Funded and staffed Halloween Walk for over 400 children
- Funded and staffed Pizza with Santa for 75 children
- Donated to HVL scholarship
- Originated the Lights for Buoys campaign
- Looking forward to more fun in the valley in 2009

Political Action/Future Planning Committee Report: Bruce Keller

This last year has been a year of redefining our goals and setting our sites on HVL's future. To do this we began hosting quarterly coordinating meetings with committees, clubs and anyone else that wants to help us plan. Our next session is scheduled for April 30, 2009 at 7 PM in this room. We also continue to host meetings geared at keeping you the residents of Hidden Valley Lake informed. Our Fire Department Town Hall meeting was a huge success. Several years ago the Hidden Valley Riders Club took a major role in the Memorial Day Ceremony held at our Veterans memorial. We will continue to assist where needed. Candidate's night, another event we host was also a success and helped tremendously in getting information out to the voters. This next year we will be assisting in the review of our budget process to include putting together a firm and predictable five year plan. In closing I would like to remind everyone that we have openings on our committee and would like to invite you to join our team.

Lakes Committee Report: Dave Patterson

The lake still needs about a foot and a half of water to get to summer pool. The Status light remains at yellow and should remain so for a few more weeks until all of the seawall bases are covered.

It's been a busy year and I would like to thank the current board and Bruce Keller the Property Manager and office staff, Moe Chris and Gloria, and Rick Manion, and his crew for working with me and the committee to maintain and improve our lakes. I would also like to recognize my committee members, plus two....:

Two new members Dan Beckman, Eric Fox, plus rest who have served for quite a few years: Bill Cox, Scott Fewless, Alan Kohlhaas, Bill Newcomb, Eric Rabenold, Joe Stocker, Gerald Young.

The other two I wish to recognize are Paul Rolfes and Tom Allen, our Lake patrol. They have done a great job in helping to keep the main lake safe and under control.

At this time, I would like to mention that Bill Newcomb has requested that his name be removed from the roster of the committee as he is unable to make the meetings. He would like to have the space on the roster made available so that someone else might contribute. I wish to recognize and thank Bill for his many years of work and service to the Lakes Committee and many other areas within the HVL POA structure.

Thank you, Bill.

We worked on a number of projects over the past year:

Dredging- We are continuing to put away \$10,000 per year to build up a fund that will allow us to start a realistic dredging program and further improve not only the main lake, but also the smaller ones. We have had two dredging projects over the past year, one at Cravenhurst and the other at Clifftmont. Both seem to have gone well and we learn from each project. Bruce and the committee are working on the process and procedures to govern the dredging and insure that we are doing things properly and by the book, so to speak.

Water Testing – The Rule 13 – SWRO - Storm Water Runoff Project – We continue working on this project with Jennifer Hughes, Storm Water Coordinator, for the Dearborn County SWCD. Bruce and I meet with her each month on this project which has as its objective to measure the water quality of water runoff in and around the Valley. Jennifer was successful in obtaining a grant of \$19,900.00 from the Community Foundation to be used for this project. Samples were taken at the 12 sites proposed by Gerry and Eric and recommended by our committee. The testing will occurred monthly over the year starting in March. The tests measured the levels of Ph, Nitrates, Phosphates, Dissolved Oxygen, BOD's, Temperature, E-coli, Turbidity, and Macroinvertebrates. We had some months where things looked good everywhere, and then some months that produced some rather disturbing results. We are continuing to develop a good data baseline from which to make recommendations for corrective procedures in the future. There were several months where readings were impossible at several points because they were dry. Therefore, we have been granted an extension which will allow us to measure a few more locations for a few more months. We are re-filing to try and obtain another grant to cover continuation of this project.

Crystal Lake maintenance – Significant effort and resources were expended this year on repairing the leak in the overflow pipe at Crystal Lake. This resulted in a drawdown of the lake for the summer and digging up and replacing the entire overflow pipe and rebuilding the top catch basin or overflow entry point. The dam was put back together and during the refilling process a flaw in the pipe sealing was discovered. This has been addressed by the engineers involved in the project and our maintenance crew. As of this past week, the repair has been implemented and we will be watching carefully as the lake begins to refill. The repair to the pipe was done by outside contractors, and there is a three year warranty on their work.

Subleasing – There is usually a significant waiting list for dock rental, especially for pontoon docks. It has been mentioned several times that there may be situations where individuals are on the list to receive a dock, but don't have a boat. They either give or sell the right to use the dock. This reduces the movement of the list and the committee felt that this was unfair. As a result, the committee recommended and the board approved a rule stating that: Effective with the 2009 boating season, sub-leasing of HVL POA docks will not be allowed. We should begin to see the impact of this rule on the slip availability this spring. I have heard of several individuals who were going to have to give up their slips because of this rule.

Minimum age for spotters – After several discussions and input from the deputies we decided against setting a minimum age for spotters.

Fishing from POA docks. The Fish and game club had requested we look at a rule to ban all fishing from any HVL POA dock. This was a concern for safety and vandalism of the boats at the marina. After a lot of discussion and input from others, the committee decided not to ban fishing from the docks.

Temporary Lake Use Sticker - We were requested by a resident to discuss a temporary lake use sticker for someone trying out a boat. The committee's feeling was that there should not be such a pass.

Lake Statistics: Gerry Young tests the lake on a monthly basis for clarity and Oxygen levels. He has data from many years back. Last year, the lake wasn't nearly as clear as the prior year. The thought was that due to the heavy rains in the spring, the lake never really totally recovered and the clarity levels were several feet less than in 2007. We will see how things go this season.

The readings and procedures for testing the lake that are done on a monthly basis were also scrutinized last summer. The result was that there is no reason to be concerned about the safety of our lake as it relates to e-coli. There are a few places where on occasion, readings slightly exceed the recommended levels. When and if these levels are exceeded in areas that present any potential risk or health hazard, the Community Manager has the authority to close the lake and/or restrict use to various levels.

Right of First Refusal - This situation only affects a limited number of lots because the right to lease an HVL POA dock can't be sold or transferred if a person leasing a dock leaves the valley. There are situations where POA docks can only be accessed by a few lots because there is not public access point to the docks. Therefore, the right to lease the dock can only go to someone who has access to the dock. This involves the dock(s) at the end of Buckeye court and the one by Aqua Vista and Raylynn.

Non-resident non-family member using a resident's boat – We have confirmed that the insurance does carry over regardless of the individual driving the boat. The Fish and Game Club has addressed the issue that brought this up in the first place by making a change in their rules. There is already a rule indicating that the property owner is responsible for the boat on the water. Therefore, the committee felt that there was no need to make an additional rule at this time.

Attach solar powered lights to the tops of the buoys – This is something that the maintenance crew was able to get done quite quickly. The low level lights illuminate the buoys just enough that they can be seen at night and therefore boaters can avoid them. They are similar to the walking path lights that can be purchased at most lawn and garden outlets. Unfortunately, most of them have been destroyed or otherwise rendered inoperative over the winter and will need to be repaired or replaced this spring. Fortunately, they are not very expensive.

Self Treating Rule – Most of us thought that the rules already had provision for this but it turns out that the rule that I thought was in there had slipped through the magnetic cracks several renditions ago. Therefore the committee proposed and the board approved the following:

Property owners will not add chemicals to the water in any HVL lake for the purpose of controlling lake weeds. This will include chemicals made specifically for this purpose or any other chemical not specific to the treatment of lake vegetation.

The penalty for violation should be equal to or greater than what a homeowner would pay for a special treatment at their property plus an additional 25%.

2009 Lake Treatment – The committee discussed the pro's and con's of changing the company that manages our lakes. The committee strongly supports the current company and voted unanimously to stay with Aquatic Control.

As we move into the 2009 season, I urge everyone to continue to use common sense and good judgment in all areas of lake use. We have been fortunate so far and have had few significant incidents on the lake and I know we all hope this continues. We will have a third member of the lake patrol on the lake this year to help cover vacations and to spread out the patrol times. This will not be an increase in the cost of lake patrol. The lakes committee will be continuing to work with the new Team Meetings or Coordinating Group to assist in the development of a five year plan for the lake and related facilities. We meet on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center. The meetings are open to the community and I welcome guests. If you have an item you want discussed, I just request that you let me know ahead of time so that the committee can be prepared.

I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy summer here in Hidden Valley, both on and off the lake.

Garden Club Report: Judy Kay

We repainted the sign at the front gate. We plant all the flowers at the front entrance as well as all the pots and urns. We have donated benches to Hidden Valley Lake and have made donations to several organizations. We also bring in speakers and go on field trips. The Echoes paper is assembled by our club. There is always weeding to be done, so if you want to help pull weeds that would be great!

Streets & Drainage Committee: John Getzendanner

No report.

HVL Riders Report: Scott Mitchell

The Riders started eight years ago and are up to 65 members; 95% are HVL residents. We help the committees including Bike Rodeo, Halloween Walk and donated time to Haunted Hayride. We took over the responsibilities for the Memorial Day Parade. Look for new parade route in Echoes. Bike Nights are held each month at Willies. We also help with Operation Thank You. Even if you don't ride come to Bike Night. Thank you.

Operation Thank You Report: Tim Nobbe

Thank you to the community for everything you have done. Looking forward to another year supporting our great young men and women.

Awards: Robert Starks

Four short words sum up what has lifted most successful individuals above the crowd: they are “A little bit more”. The awards we have today are for people who have done all that was expected of them and “A little bit more.”

Our first award this year is the coveted “James G. Doerflein”. This award has been presented annually since 1992. The award reads, “For outstanding Service and Community Dedication. Awarded annually to the Hidden Valley Lake Property Owner Whose Leadership, Creativity or Enhancement of Community Pre-Eminence has resulted in the years Most Significant Contribution to Community Excellence”. For 2009 we proudly present this award to Emmy Myers, Chairman of the Judicial Panel.

Our next award is the COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD and it reads: For Outstanding Service and Community Dedication Awarded to the Hidden Valley Lake Property Owners whose Leadership, Creativity or Enhancement of Community has resulted in a significant contribution to Community Excellence and has served on the HVL-POA Board of Directors. Awarded April 4, 2009 by the Hidden Valley Lake Property Owners Association Board of Directors.

We have several to present:

- Bill Acra: Thank you for your service on the Board.
- Scott Mitchell: Thank you for your service on the Board.
- John Fruin: Thank you for your service on the Board.
- Bill and Bunny Newcomb: Thank you for your service on the Board and also thank you for your active recruiting of volunteers.

They did all that was expected of them and “a little bit more.”

Election Results: Bob Sypniewski

Jim Plunkett has certified the results.

Robert Starks	348
Jeff Fuell	280
Jeff King	155

The first two will become Board Members.

Adjournment: Robert Starks

The meeting is adjourned at 2:30 pm.

Minutes Prepared by Gloria Weber

HIDDEN VALLEY LAKE POA

	<u>2007ACTUAL</u>	<u>2008 ACTUAL</u>	<u>2009 BUDGET</u>
Dues	\$1334	\$1348	\$1348
Trash removal	315	349	351
Penalties & fines	74	71	64
Fitness Center	57	47	45
Boat docks & reg	46	50	50
All Other	138	110	82
Total	\$1964	\$1975	\$1940

HIDDEN VALLEY LAKE POA

	<u>2007ACTUAL</u>	<u>2008 ACTUAL</u>	<u>2009 BUDGET</u>
General	\$ 825	\$830	\$818
Streets & Parks	384	405	410
Security	314	282	335
Pool, Beach, Fitness Center	110	110	111
Lakes	45	44	54
Depreciation	387	400	397
Total	\$2065	\$2071	\$2125

HIDDEN VALLEY LAKE POA

	<u>2007ACTUAL</u>	<u>2008 ACTUAL</u>	<u>2009 BUDGET</u>
Employee Costs	\$726	\$730	\$762
Trash Removal	257	282	282
Real Estate Tax	126	93	105
Repairs & Maint	114	120	150
Insurance	55	52	54
All Other	787	794	772
Total	\$2065	\$2071	\$2125

HIDDEN VALLEY LAKE POA

	<u>2007ACTUAL</u>	<u>2008 ACTUAL</u>	<u>2009 BUDGET</u>
Roads	\$181	\$114	\$126
Crystal Lake	16	32	13
Backhoe	48		
Boat Docks & Pontoon Boat	20	19	
Software & Computers	15	9	
All Other	24	36	72
Total	\$304	\$210	\$211