

**HILAND LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD
JANUARY 19, 2021
MEETING MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by chairperson Dennis Brennan at 3:00PM at Putnam Township Hall. The meeting was held electronically subject to the requirements of the Open Meetings Act, as amended by 2020 PA 228. Meeting was noticed in accordance with the Open Meetings Act (P.A. 1976. No. 267).

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dennis Brennan, Charlie Gabbard, Doug Helzerman, Brian Jonckheere, Valerie Niemiec

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Mitch Dempsey, Mark Kieser, Josh Kieser, Gabby Metzner-Gustafson

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Jonckheere and supported by Niemiec to approve the agenda as amended. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Appointment to replace board member Rob Mickovic who moved to Georgia in 2020. At a meeting held on January 5, 2021, the HiLand Lake Property Owners Association appointed Charlie Gabbard to replace Mickovic as their representative on the Improvement Board. **Motion by Brennan, supported by Niemiec, to add Charlie Gabbard as a member of the HiLand Lake Improvement Board effective immediately. Roll call vote: Yays: Jonckheere, Helzerman, Brennan, Niemiec. Nays: None. MOTION CARRIED.**
2. Mark Kieser presented a 12-slide PowerPoint summary of the 260-page report and appendices titled "HiLand Lake 2020 Lake Improvement Feasibility Report" dated December 3, 2020.
3. Based on the findings in the Kieser report, the Board decided to continue with the lake board initiative. **Motion by Jonckheere, supported by Helzerman, to approve, as amended, RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SCHEDULING OF A HEARING ON THE PRACTICABILITY OF AN AQUATIC WEED CONTROL LAKE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT FOR HILAND LAKE. Roll call vote: Yays: Gabbard, Jonckheere, Helzerman, Niemiec, Brennan. Nays: None. MOTION CARRIED.** This Resolution establishes the date of a public hearing for the HiLand Lake Improvement Program for February 16, 2021 at 6:00 PM at Putnam Township Hall, an electronic meeting held via Zoom as allowed by MDHHS at that time.
4. A discussion of timeline identified March 23 or 30 as the optimal dates for the assessment roll hearing, if the board deems appropriate to proceed following the February 16 hearing.

CALL TO PUBLIC

Opened at 5:26

Closed at 5:26

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Helzerman and supported by Jonckheere to adjourn the meeting at 5:32PM. MOTION CARRIED.

Submitted by Valerie Niemiec, Secretary

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SCHEDULING OF A HEARING ON THE
PRACTICABILITY OF AN AQUATIC WEED CONTROL LAKE IMPROVEMENT
PROJECT FOR HILAND LAKE**

At a meeting of the Hiland Lake Improvement Board held electronically using the zoom application on the 19th day of January 2021 at 3:00 p.m. local time.

Hiland Lake Board Members: Dennis Brennan, Charlie Gabbard, Doug Helzerman, Charlie Gabbard, Brian Jonckheere, Valerie Niemiec

PRESENT: BRENNAN, GABBARD, HELZERMAN, JONCKHEERE, NIEMIEC

ABSENT: NO ONE

The following resolution was offered by member JONCKHEERE and supported by member HELZERMAN.

WHEREAS, the Hiland Lake Improvement Board has been established pursuant to provisions of Part 309, Inland Lake Improvements of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, P.A. 451 of 1994, as amended, and

WHEREAS, the Hiland Lake Improvement Board has determined that the primary improvement petitioned for is an effective weed control program, and

WHEREAS, the recreational value of the lake to the riparian owners is dependent upon an effective weed control program, and

WHEREAS, a feasibility study was conducted by Kieser and Associates in 2020, and

WHEREAS, a lake improvement project that includes aquatic vegetation control is recommended by Kieser and Associates, based on the results of the feasibility study, and

WHEREAS, cost estimates for implementation of a 5-year aquatic weed control program have been provided by Kieser and Associates, and

WHEREAS, the Lake Improvement Board has determined the weed control lake improvement project to be practicable based on their review of the recommendations provided by Kieser and Associates,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hiland Lake Improvement Board hereby authorizes the scheduling of a hearing on the practicability of implementing a weed control program on Hiland Lake, and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Hiland Lake Improvement Board tentatively establishes the hearing date of the Hiland Lake Improvement Program for February 16, 2021 at 6:00 pm electronically using the Zoom platform.

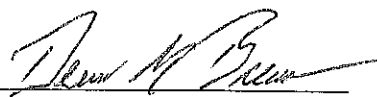
ADOPTED: **AYES:** HELZERMAN, BRENNAN, JONCKHEERE, NIEMIEC, GABBARD
 NAYS: NONE
 ABSENT: NO ONE

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss
COUNTY OF LIVINGSTON)

I, DENNIS BRENNAN, CHAIR of said Hiland Lake Improvement Board, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the lake improvement board at a meeting held on the 30th day of March 2021. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan 1976, as amended.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, this 19th day of January 2021.



Dennis Brennan, Chairman
Hiland Lake Improvement Board