

## Meeting Minutes from Rainbow Drive Association

Meeting held at 25778 Rainbow Drive, on Saturday, September 3, 2011.

Jim Rund called the meeting to order at 11:00 am.

We had 16 property owners present, and proxy statement from Pat Lang.

### Old Business:

1. Break-in activity on Rainbow Drive
2. Speeding on the drive
3. Need to make sure all residents on the drive are included in the association meetings
4. Fireworks on July 4th

Motion to approve old business by Bob Herrington, and seconded by Nelson Hill.

### New Business:

1. At the last meeting Jim agreed to contact the County Sheriff to request increased police presence on Rainbow Drive. During this discussion Jim asked about a Neighborhood Watch program. The Sheriff indicated that at this time there is no formal program in the county due to funding. The Sheriff is hoping to have a program available to county residents in the next 2 years. So Jim asked about purchasing Neighborhood Watch signage. The Sheriff referenced the Canton Michigan website to use as an example, and Jim read key points from this documentation. The document will be put on the Rainbow Drive website for everyone to reference. Jim asked if there was interest in using road funds to purchase signage, and it was voted on and approved by all residents present. We agreed to purchase 10 signs with anti-graffiti and weather-protection, and 10 posts. Once the signage is received a group of volunteers will install the signs, including one by the wood entrance sign, one at the curve, and one at the boat ramp facing the lake; others to be determined when installed. Volunteers noted at the meeting include: Bob M., Bob H., Bob C., Larry G., Nelson H., Joe J., Ken L., Dan S.. Bob and Gaylene H. offered to keep an eye on properties if requested.
2. Road fund balance is \$7800.
3. Elections for new officers will be held at the next meeting, which is Memorial Day weekend of 2012.
4. Larry Gonzer indicated that brush on Bill Walters' property is encroaching on the drive. He contacted the county to see if they would come and mow a path wider than the mower he uses, but they do not have the necessary equipment. Bill Walters said that he has leased this property to the city of Nottawa, and he will contact them to see if they could mow a wider path from the "Dead End" sign to Nottawa Road. Regarding the property from the Dead End sign to the end of the drive Bill has agreed to allow the residents to clean this up on our own. It was determined the best plan of action is to wait until November and organize a weekend for clean up. Many residents volunteered to help and we will send out emails and postcards once the exact weekend has been determined, including a rain date. Bill agreed to us piling up the brush on his property and burning it.
5. Luis asked about weed control on the lake. John Tarnowski explained the special assessment on property owners for weed control, and the fact that the current agreement expires in 2012. Since the agreement expires next year, John would like us to send him an updated list of the Rainbow Drive residents.

- Tony from the weed control company has been checking the lake periodically throughout the summer, and spot treating as necessary. John will be checking with the township as well as the weed control company to see if we can extend our contract for another 5 years, and have the county continue the assessment on the property owners. It was agreed that it was more cost effective to continue the program and maintain, versus stop the program and have to re-start if/when the weeds become an issue again.
6. John Arvidson asked about a lake association. John Tarnowski indicated that in the letter he will be sending regarding weed control he is including a request for an attorney on the lake to possibly assist in creating a lake association.
  7. Deb asked about the lowering of the lake level again this year. Bill Walters indicated that Lake Templene is interested in lowering the lake but the permits have not been granted yet by the county. Normally there is only a 2-3 week lead time between the permits being granted and the dam being blocked. We recommended that residents watch the Lake Templene website for notifications on lake lowering, and Jim will contact Bill late September to see if he has any further information. If so, we will post it on the Sand Lake website.

Next association meeting will be the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend in 2012.

Meeting adjourned at 12:02 pm.