

**BE IT REMEMBERED** that the Board of Directors met in the Clubhouse, Hide-A-Way Lake, Pearl River County, Mississippi, on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of May and the following proceedings were had and done.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The regular monthly meeting was called to order by President, Robin Montalbano.

The roll call is as follows:

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| Robin Montalbano – President         | Present |
| Elizabeth Ennis – Vice President     | Present |
| Tom Gibilterra – Secretary/Treasurer | Present |
| Jim Wells – Director                 | Present |
| Kathy Busco – Director               | Present |
| Chad Hurst – Director                | Absent  |
| John Pigott – Director               | Absent  |

All members of the Board were present or accounted for.

The Security Contractor’s Report for April 2023 was presented by Jeff Hodnett, of Veteran Security Services.

The Chair entertained a motion to waive the reading of the Minutes of the Board meeting of April 12, 2023. Tom Gibilterra acknowledged the motion, Elizabeth Ennis seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

The Chair entertained a motion to approve the Minutes of the Board meeting of April 12, 2023. Kathy Busco acknowledged the motion, Jim Wells seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

#### **MANAGER’S REPORT – Bruce Devillier**

1. The contract for resurfacing the tennis courts and adding pickleball courts is in works and the plan for completion is mid-month. The total capital improvement cost is \$19,000.00 with Magnolia Sports Construction.
2. The replacement gate operators with all new safety equipment and sensors for the Main Gate and Southgate through AVL Installations was completed last month. The total capital improvement cost was \$17,333.67.
3. The Capital Expenditure Plan for 2024 and our Ten Year Capital Expenditure Plan is in works with staff and the Finance Committee.
4. Red boat and golf cart decals for the 2023/2024 season have been available since February. The orange decals expired on April 30, 2023.

5. Extra security patrol shifts and Pearl River County Sheriff's Office details have been scheduled for the summer season.
6. The permit with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for Canadian Goose Nest and Egg Depredation is in works. Property owners are encouraged to call the Office if they notice any geese pairing up in the area. As of May 2, 2023, there have been 5 nests and 30 eggs. The permit number is RG-04840A.
7. Resident Swim, which began on Tuesday, April 18, 2023, is open from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Tuesday through Friday. The pool will open with lifeguards on Saturday, May 20, 2023, and will be open from 10:00 am - 7:30 pm, Tuesdays - Fridays, and Sundays. Saturdays, the pool will be open from 10:00 am - 8:30 pm.
8. The Public Service Commission Annual Report is complete with Kent Whitfield's CPA Firm.
9. On March 3, 2023, a civil case has been filed in Chancery Court of Pearl River County on Hide-A-Way Lake, Inc., the "developer" of our community, for ownership of 40 acres tract of land by the back spillway that belongs to our community. Working with the developer's attorney, we have agreed to hire Wetland Consulting Services, Inc. for wetland determination and designation. The fee of \$5,900.00 will be split between both parties.
10. All 47 fire hydrants within our community service area have been painted, marked, and tested. The three lake stand pipes have been removed per approval from the Carriere Fire Department.
11. Insurance policies were renewed for the effective dates of April 30, 2023 to April 30, 2024:
  - Property/General Liability: \$69,467.97
  - Directors and Officers: \$6,166.00
  - Auto: \$5,592.00
  - Crime: \$1,187.00
  - Tower: \$12,419.55
  - Boat: \$2,108.00
12. Hide-A-Way Lake's Annual Fireworks Celebration is scheduled for Monday, July 3, 2023, with a rain date of Tuesday, July 4, 2023. In order for the Firework's Celebration to proceed, there must be dry weather conditions at 7:00 pm. This fireworks show depends solely on the donations from Property Owners and is 100% funded through donations. The donation goal is \$7,500. As of May 10, 2023, the donation total was \$1,571.00, which includes \$315.00 carried over from the 2022 donations.
13. The next Community Meet and Greet with the General Manager is on Saturday, June 24, 2023, at 9:30 am in Waters Edge Restaurant (upstairs of the Lodge). This face-to-face collaboration with property owners will provide the opportunity to ask questions to the General Manager directly. This is a great time to ask any questions to prevent the spread of misinformation and to meet some of your neighbors as great neighbors make great communities. While new property owners are highly encouraged to attend, everyone in HAWL is welcome. This meeting will also provide the opportunity to meet the candidates running for the Board of Directors.

14. The following is a report of our delinquent accounts as of April 25, 2023:

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|---|-------------------|
| 39 accounts are in the process of being worked in-house             | \$10,794.68       |
| 1 account has received judgments and/or being worked by an attorney | <u>\$2,347.20</u> |
| Total   | \$13,141.88       |

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Architectural Committee – Jim Wells**

For April 2023 the number of houses to date is 979. The Architectural Committee approved the following: 1 fence (wooden privacy), 1 house (permit extension), and 1 propane tank.

**Finance Committee Report – Tom Gibilterra**

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| \$51,601.25  | BANKPLUS - Operating Account                                 |
| \$1,000.00   | PETTY CASH   |
| \$1,000.00   | BANKPLUS - Payroll Account                                   |
| \$53,601.25  | TOTAL CHECKBOOK, PAYROLL, & PETTY CASH                       |
| <br>         |  |
| \$80,498.95  | BANKPLUS BUSINESS RESOURCE CD (4.625% matures 03/17/2025)    |
| \$586.58     | BANKPLUS CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT                             |
| \$244.15     | REGIONS BANK CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT                         |
| \$43,539.09  | SOUTHERN BANCORP BANK - BOARD CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT            |
| \$34,378.61  | FIRST NATIONAL BANK - BOARD CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT              |
| \$159,247.38 | TOTAL SAVINGS  |
| <br>         |  |
| \$25,068.79  | CD - BANKPLUS - Water System (4.625% matures 03/17/2025)     |
| \$78,835.91  | CD - CRESCENT BANK (4.85% matures 08/28/2024)                |
| \$76,247.40  | CD - CRESCENT BANK (4.90% matures 02/28/2024)                |
| \$89,055.16  | CD - CRESCENT BANK - Water System (4.80% matures 02/28/2025) |
| \$269,207.26 | TOTAL INVESTMENTS  |

TOTAL RESERVE                      \$428,454.64

GRAND TOTAL                         \$482,055.89

\$871,041.05    Checks & Debits made 03/26/2023 through 04/25/2023 from BankPlus Operating

\$835,472.69    Deposits made 03/26/2023 through 04/25/2023 from BankPlus Operating

On May 3, 2023, during the work session, the Board of Directors reviewed for the period of 03/26/2023 through 04/25/2023 the Checkbook Register Report for the Operating account, the Capital Reserve accounts, and the Board Contingency accounts.

At the work session on May 3, 2023, the Board approved two new members to the Finance Committee: Deanna Menesses and Joe Battaglia.

After many years of service, Bertha Page resigned from the committee. We thank her for her knowledge and professionalism.

**Security, Safety, & Fire Committee – Kathy Busco**

All 47 fire hydrants within our community service area have been painted, marked, and tested. Per approval from the Carriere Fire Department, the three lake stand pipes have been removed.

**Lake Quality – Chad Hurst (Read by Bruce Devillier)**

Water samples were collected from four locations on May 1, 2023. Test results of one sample (inlet) were above the Mississippi Standard form Recreational Waters.

Rainfall for the month of April was measured at 7.87 inches which was 2.41 inches above the 30 year April average of 5.46 inches. Rainfall-to-date was 25.04 inches which was 3.58 inches above the 30 year-to-date average of 21.46 inches.

The Lake Quality Committee completed the construction of fish habitats along the dam and began the addition of remaining trees at select locations in the main lake. The HAWL map of Fish Habitat Locations will be updated to identify materials placed at each site.

Our 2023 Spring Fishing Rodeo will be held on May 20, 2023. Come on down, show your fishing skills and enjoy the day with family and friends.

**Long Range Planning – Robin Montalbano**

No report given.

**Social Committee – Elizabeth Ennis**

The Social Committee held their Brunch, Bingo, and Boutique today. Forty-five guests played bingo, shopped local vendors, and enjoyed a special lunch from the Waters Edge Restaurant. See HAWL's website for photos from this event.

The Social Committee will also be working on organizing future events.

**Public Affairs – John Pigott (Read by Robin Montalbano)**

In preparation for Pearl River County primary election on August 8, 2023, a "Meet the Candidates" session will be held after the Board of Directors meeting on July 12, 2023.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn given by Jim Wells, Kathy Busco seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned by a unanimous vote of the Directors.

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ROBIN MONTALBANO, PRESIDENT

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TOM GIBILTERRA, SECRETARY/TREASURER

**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
COUNTY OF PEARL RIVER**

I, Elizabeth Rancatore, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcription, to the best of my skill and ability, of the Minutes taken at the meeting of the Board of Directors of Hide-A-Way Lake Club, Inc., held in the Clubhouse at Hide-A-Way Lake on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of May 2023.

THIS, the 11<sup>th</sup> day of May 2023.

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ELIZABETH RANCATORE