



January 2022

Happy New Year to the Little Swan Lake community!

Unfortunately, I think that we had some technical difficulties for the zoom Annual Meeting last October. We barely had anyone login and didn't have a quorum to officially start the meeting. We waited over 45 minutes before calling it. We had no calls or questions about rescheduling; therefore, we have the annual meeting PowerPoint on the website, and I welcome anyone to message me with any additional questions or comments. We also always encourage all members to attend the monthly Board meetings.

The executive positions are as follows: I will remain President, newer board member Rusty Bracken is Vice President and Bob Andersen will remain as Treasurer. Stu Yager accepted the position as Secretary. Barb Dunlop has retired as Clerk/Bookkeeper. Sharon Hundley has graciously filled that position as she once held it. The email for the clerk will remain the same.

We are always looking for volunteers for board and committees. We have had board positions open due to resignations, contact me if interested. In 2021, we had our Family Fun Day at the lake. We sealed the rest of the roads, which of course was a huge expense. We are optimistic that we will continue to clean up Outlots and that more siltation remediation will be done. If you have ideas, we are always taking suggestions from members.

Included with this newsletter:

- 2022 Boat & Sport Vehicle Registration
- 2022 Board Members with Contact Information and Committees
- 2022 Budget
- 2022 Membership Renewal & Maintenance Fees notice

Thank you and I wish everyone a great year and wonderful boating season!

Chrisa L Anderson, CPA
Little Swan Lake Board President

Little Swan Lake Web Site: www.littleswanlake.net

Several pages have been added to the website. We encourage our members to check the website regularly for new content. The answers to many of your questions are available and you can look up rules and regulations on the Bylaws, Covenants & Rules pages. We archive the LSL Newsletters and the Ladies of the Lake news. You can also find information about any on-going lake projects. Check out the For Sale page where you will see properties and other items for sale. Also refer to the LSL Forms Page which lists all LSL building, leasing, boating & membership forms which can be downloaded from there.

Report Property Changes:

If you move or sell a lot please report it to the clerk, Sharon Hundley, Email: LSLClerk@hotmail.com or Phone: 309-465-6734. Please supply her with the lot number(s), current owner's name, new owner's name, address, phone and email if possible. This should also be reported to Christie Butler with the LSL Sanitary District, Email: rooman@grics.net or Phone: 309-333-4948. If you have received this mailing and no longer own lake property, please let us know. The correct information may not have been reported to us at the time of sale and we would like to get all of our files updated properly.

Information about the Lake's Global Communication System:

The Global Communication System we use to send out email and phone messages when there is something, we want to notify everyone has a Caller ID of 866-419-5000. We understand that people are reluctant to answer phone calls from numbers they don't recognize, we suggest you add this phone# into your contact list as 'Little Swan Lake'. The messages we send out automatically get sent with a small prefix message something like, "Stay on the line for an important message." Our message will be played after that. This system is used to inform members of LSL events such as when the lake is being closed and if there is a boil water order in effect, also to email out Newsletters or provide other important lake news. It is important that members (especially those who own a home at the lake) supply us with a phone number and/or email address so that you will be informed of these types of events.

Boat & Sport Vehicle Registration and Boating Notes: Danny Mahr

Each year, a new Boat & Sport Vehicle Registration Application form must be filled out and the appropriate fees paid in order to gain current year Little Swan Lake boat and/or sport vehicle stickers. One way to speed up your boat registration is to double check to make sure you have included all the correct information. Also, every year you need to send a COPY of your CURRENT IL boat registration card with your Boat Registration Application Form. Do not send us your boat or trailer titles. Please do not put your boat on the lake until it is registered, you can be ticketed if you don't have the current year's LSL sticker on your boat.

We are installing new buoys this spring to mark the No Wake Zone and also new markers on some of the dangerous stumps that are around the lake.

Fishing: Kevin Curless, Tom Unruh

This year we stocked walleye and catfish. We are using a new supplier for the second year called Keystone Hatcheries. We contacted a person for carp removal, who, after evaluation, determined that carp removal was not warranted at this time. We may revisit the situation next year. With our fish budget, we also concentrated on installing 30 pieces of fish structure and also did a family fun day event in September, which we plan to continue as an annual event. We put new fishing size limits with new signs posted at out-lot DD and the boat ramp. This information is also posted on the website. The Kreel survey study provided us with beneficial information and, moving forward, we plan to send it out with membership forms every other year.

Lake Operations: Jerome Stenger

Please be advised that the trash receptacles in the boat ramp area are the only areas in service during the winter months. For your recycling please use the recycling container located near the Greenbush Township Building.

Reporting Community Issues: if you witness any area within our community which needs repair, attention, etc., you may contact Little Swan Lake Clerk by phoning 309-465-6734 or via email: lsclerk@hotmail.com. Messages will be forwarded to the appropriate board or committee member.

Invitation to Connect: We encourage members of Little Swan Lake to connect to our social media site on Facebook. You can find us by searching *Little Swan Lake. Love Lake Living*. This is a great way to stay connected with your neighbors, being informed of events going on in and around the community as well as other interesting topics. You can also visit the LSL web site at: [www.http://littleswanlake.net](http://littleswanlake.net). You will find our web site has great information about happenings in our community, contact information, rules and by-laws, and a vast amount of information regarding our beautiful lake.

Outlot Cleanup Project- We are still cleaning up the Outlots which entails clearing overgrown vegetation, removing dead trees, cleaning up the banks, adding rock where necessary, and removing abandoned articles and unsightly docks. If you see areas that could use cleanup please again contact the clerk and she will pass it onto correct committee.

Mowing: Kevin Curless

Each lot owner will keep his/her lot mowed and free of unsightly weeds and debris. Lake property and out-lots will be mowed five times each season by a contracted person through Little Swan Lake Club. These properties will be mowed within the week before April 30, May 31, June 30, July 31 and August 31. It is the responsibility of the private owners of unimproved lots to mow such properties by April 30, May 31, June 30, July 31 and August 31. Several private individuals may be contracted by property owners to mow lots. Please contact Kevin Curless for the names of these individuals. If a property owner does not contract privately for mowing and does not mow his/her lot by dates listed above, the property will be considered delinquent and the Club will have it mowed and bill the property owner the cost of \$80.00 per lot mowed. Bids for mowing are currently being accepted. Please mail them to Kevin Curless, 401 McGrew Dr., Avon, IL 61415. To receive full consideration, bids must be postmarked by Monday, February 21nd.

Building Committee: Rusty Brackin

Remember..... If you are putting in a new dock, boat lift, shed, deck, garage, home addition, boat house, house, etc. you need to contact the Little Swan Lake building committee **BEFORE** starting your construction project. The current Building Regulations and Building Permit form can be found on the web site: www.littleswanlake.net.

Roads: Stu Yager

Heartland Tree Service is our contractor for snow plowing the roads maintained by Little Swan Lake Club. Contact information: Shawn Scott (309)371-3825. They will plow when we have 1-2 inches of accumulation. They have asked that we mark anything that should be protected which they might not see after there is snow build up. Flags or cones should be used. Please be reminded that any damage claims must be reported to Heartland within 24 hours.

Heartland will also plow individual driveways and will bill the resident directly for this service. Contact Shawn Scott directly-- in advance--if you want to have this service. Snow is plowed for vehicle traffic only.

Publicity: Patrick McKinley

We are trying to keep everyone informed, the website will be updated soon with the new board members and other news. There is a social club, Ladies of the Lake, open to women around the lake. They usually get together the first Wednesday of every month at noon at the clubhouse for lunch and socializing. All Little Swan Lake women are invited. This past December a group of them met for a fun holiday lunch at Lake Bracken. They normally meet the first Wednesday of the month at the Little Swan Lake Clubhouse, however because of the COVID-19 situation, they have not been able to meet on a monthly basis. They do hope to start meeting again soon. They send an email notification generally when the next get-together is planned. If you would like more information, or to get on the list to receive these emails, please call Kay McKinley at 309-368-7988 or email the Clerk at lsclerk@hotmail.com.

Clubhouse: Chrisa Anderson

The Clubhouse Rental Fee of \$50.00, plus a Clean Up Fee of \$50.00 are both due when the key is picked up. Please make out 2 separate checks. After the clubhouse has been checked and everything found in order, your Cleanup Fee check will be destroyed. The "Rules of Use for Little Swan Lake Clubhouse Form" can be found on the Forms Page on the website: www.littleswanlake.net. The contact person for reserving the clubhouse is: Chrisa Anderson - Phone: 309-696-7148 Email: chrisa@avonillinoiscpa.com.

Notes of Interest

Exercise: Exercise at the Clubhouse Monday-Friday 8:30am to 9:30am. Everyone is welcome.

2021-2022 Board Members

Chrisa Anderson	2021-2024	Chad Lopez	2019-2022
309-696-7148 - chrisa@avonillinoiscpa.com		309-648-0469 - loopy00029@yahoo.com	
LSL President, Long Term Planning		Lake Operations	
Rusty Brackin	2021-2024	Jerome Stenger	2021-2024
302-668-7824 - hhbrackin@gmail.com		309-256-2580 - 37bluecoupe@gmail.com	
LSL Vice President, Building		Lake Operations	
Bob Andersen	2020-2023	Joe Russell	2021-2024
309-775-9008 Home - 217-649-1304 Cell		309-465-3033 - j.d.russellsl@gmail.com	
r-andersen@wiu.edu		Lake & Dam	
LSL Treasurer, Webmaster for LSL website		Danny Mahr	2020-2023
Patrick McKinley	2019-2022	309-255-9517 - dmahr@hiels.com	
309-696-4624 – patm@grics.net		Boating, Siltation	
Publicity		Stu Yager	2020-2022
Kevin Curless	2020-2023	309-255-0955 - szyager@gmail.com	
309-251-7869 - curlesskvn@yahoo.com		Secretary, Roads	
Mowing, Fishing		Tom Unruh	2020-2023
		309-945-5658 - tunruh116@gmail.com	
		Siltation, Fishing	

Little Swan Lake Club - 2022 Budget

Income	BUDGET 2021	2021 ACTUAL	2022 BUDGET
4000 Maintenance Fees	20,265.00	20,510.00	20,510.00
4010 Membership Cards	350.00	348.00	350.00
4020 Membership Fees	67,500.00	67,050.00	67,500.00
4100 Boat decals	6,400.00	6,730.00	6,730.00
4110 Building permits	500.00	600.00	500.00
4200 Late Fees and Fines	500.00	2,045.59	500.00
4210 Fines/Tickets	50.00	25.00	50.00
4700 Rental income	300.00	525.00	500.00
4800 Interest Income	300.00	308.13	500.00
4900 Misc Income	700.00	655.97	700.00
Total Income	96,865.00	98,797.69	97,840.00

Gross Profit	96,865.00	98,797.69	97,840.00
Expenses			
5000 Wages and Salaries			
5010 Lake Clerk	7,200.00	7,320.00	7,200.00
5020 Lake Patrolman	6,000.00	4,343.70	6,000.00
Total 5000 Wages and Salaries	13,200.00	11,663.70	13,200.00
5100 Professional fees			
5110 Engineering fees	1,500.00	0.00	500.00
5120 Legal Fees	500.00	0.00	500.00
5130 Accounting Fees	700.00	480.00	600.00
5140 Payroll Software	475.00	500.00	700.00
Total 5100 Professional fees	3,175.00	980.00	2,300.00
5200 Occupancy, Utilities, R&M			
5209 Boat Expenses	1,700.00	2,849.92	7,200.00
5250 Chemical Toilets	3,400.00	2,960.00	3,400.00
5259 Clubhouse Expenses			
5260 Clubhouse - Cleaning	600.00	600.00	600.00
5270 Clubhouse -Supplies	240.00	218.09	240.00
5280 Clubhouse - Repairs/Maint	2,400.00	137.81	2,400.00
5290 Clubhouse -Electricity	750.00	721.00	750.00
5295 Clubhouse - Gas,Propane	700.00	708.94	700.00
Total 5259 Clubhouse Expenses	4,690.00	2,385.84	4,690.00
5300 Electricity - Security Lights	3,500.00	3,684.00	3,800.00
5305 Electronic Warning System	500.00	1,084.12	560.00
5310 Fish Stock Maintenance	5,200.00	3,999.52	5,200.00
5320 Garbage Removal	1,400.00	1,229.61	1,400.00
5350 Mowing	11,000.00	10,900.00	10,000.00
5360 Pest Control	500.00	225.00	500.00
5380 Repairs/Maintenance - Dock	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
5400 Repairs/Maintenance - Roads	50,000.00	49,561.06	0.00
5410 Shoreline Maintenance	20,000.00	0.00	15,000.00
5430 Dam Maintenance	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
5420 Snow Removal	8,000.00	2,000.00	8,000.00
Total 5200 Occupancy, Utilities, R&M	108,100.00	72,683.31	52,460.00
Total 5700 Printing, Pub, Post, Shipping	2,400.00	2,479.89	2,400.00
6000 Other Expenses			
6100 Insurance	8,000.00	7,413.00	8,000.00
66000 · Payroll Expenses	1,200.00	1,039.07	1,200.00
6900 Supplies	200.00	59.85	240.00
6950 Telephone	350.00	355.53	360.00
9000 Misc Expenses	600.00	826.37	500.00
Total 6000 Other Expenses	10,350.00	9,693.82	10,300.00
Total Expenses	147,015.00	105,696.48	95,950.00
Net Income	-50,150.00	-6,898.79	1,890.00

Volunteers are critical partners of the Little Swan Lake Community, We Need You!

Have you ever wondered why Little Swan Lake is such a gem? It's because of people – Volunteers – who take pride in maintaining all the good things we enjoy about our community—such as the beautiful lake, the fishing & boating, skiing & tubing, the clubhouse & gardens, the out-lots and roads. We owe a lot to our current volunteers and we would like to offer YOU the chance to take part in preserving all the great things you enjoy about Little Swan Lake. There are spots open on many committees, so please look over the list on our website and let us know what you might be interested in volunteering for. Several Board positions open each year in October. Please consider being part of the bigger picture – become a Little Swan Lake volunteer.

Little Swan Lake Committees/Volunteer Opportunities If interested, email: LSLClerk@hotmail.com or call: 309-465-6734