

Lake Arrowhead News

June 2016

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**LAPOA
7065 Arrowroot Trail
Gaylord, MI 49735**



Meetings and Special Events

Annual Membership Meeting: July 2, 2016
10:00 a.m. at the Pavilion.

Board Meeting: The first meeting of 2016-2017 board will take place in the Office Building immediately after the election votes are counted.

Picnic: July 2, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. at the Pavilion. Beverages, burgers, hot dogs, and paper products are provided. Members are asked to bring a dish to share and lawn chairs.

Campground Meeting: May 28, 2016 at 10:00 in the Campground.

Campground Bottle Drive: All season long!

Hayes Township Clean-up Day:

Our free clean-up day for **June 11, 2016 from 7a.m to 11a.m.** During this time Hayes Township property owners can dispose of those large items that cannot be discarded at our dumpster. No air conditioners, freezers, refrigerators, or hazardous materials will be accepted. You can take your large items to **Arrow Transfer Station** 2561 Little League Drive (Just E. of Gaylord off of M-32) 989-731-9688.

Otsego County Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Day: June 11th from 9-2 household hazardous waste can be dropped off at the Otsego County Road Commission, 669 W. McCoy Rd., Gaylord. For information details about this event and recycling, go the Otsego County Conservation District website: <http://www.otsegocd.org/>

Unused medicines: Every State Police Post across Michigan now serves as collection point for prescription drugs disposal. Posts will have bins where anyone can drop off their expired or unused prescriptions so they can be disposed of properly. Bins are accessible any time during normal business hours.

*Hello all,
This past year as your president has really been an eye opener. It is amazing how passionate your board is for our community. Your board knows they have a responsibility to continue to make decisions in the best interest of all of us. Many of your board members literally donate their time to help make this community better. Just like all of you, my family and I love this place and can't wait to see what the future holds.
Have a safe and happy summer-
Ron Race Jr.*

Trash

Please help us keep costs down by recycling as much as possible and by abiding by our dumpster restrictions. Our dumpster is only to be used for LAPOA members' ordinary household trash. No building materials, furniture, hazardous materials, yard waste etc. It currently costs our LAPOA members approximately \$915 each time our dumpster is emptied. Sad to say, illegal dumping continues to be a problem. The Michigan State Police have been very helpful to us in going after illegal dumpers. Plans are in the works for new video monitoring at the dumpster. Once implemented, the system will photograph and record action at the dumpster. Digital images will be stored in the "Cloud" for a limited time. This will aid in identifying and prosecuting illegal dumpers.

Parks and Recreation: The parks are waking up in Lake Arrowhead. Our maintenance man Tim is cleaning out the parks and getting all downed branches & leaves removed. Thank you Tim! This year we will be working to get all the park fences painted as well as having the playground equipment sanded and painted. The docks are in the lake and ready to be used. Please be sure to take a gander at the lake rules posted at the boat ramp before dumping your boat in for the season. As always have a safe and FUN summer.

Kyle & Dana Stubli

Membership Dues enable our Association to provide our members with well maintained roads, trash disposal, parks, a pool, and more! The 2016 LAPOA annual membership dues are only \$139.05/year for Primary lots whether improved or vacant; and \$72.10/year for Secondary lots. Additional lots with a well and septic are billed at the Primary lot rate. Bills go out to owners each year on March 1st and payment is due upon receipt. A \$50/lot late fee is added June 16th to any accounts in arrears. At our July 4, 2015 Membership meeting our members approved two increases that commenced in 2016. Primary and Secondary lots now have an automatic 3% "cost of living" annual dues increase so that the Association can keep up with increasing operating expenses. In addition, a separate \$71/year assessment will be added to only Primary lots to fund a Reserve Fund for large replacement/maintenance projects.



A Bit of History.....

Any longtime member will remember the name Al Lancaster. During his days of being a member of LAPOA, Al was our first President (or one of our first Presidents) and our longtime Historian. He held a position on the Board for many, many years. During this tenure, he collected numerous documents regarding the Association. His daughter, Lori, kindly donated all of his documents back to the Association. We take this time to expressly thank Lori, and Al's family, for this donation. In the next few weeks we will attempt to sort through all of this historic information and put the same in some kind of order so that we can have a usable timeline for our members to enjoy. .

-Connie Stubli, Historian

Campground: The brand new campground pavilion will provide campers a fine place to gather out of the sun or rain. It was all built with proceeds from the campground. Once again we will be having our raffle at the Association picnic and our returnable bottle and can drive throughout the camping season. Please drop off your deposit bottles and cans outside the campground shower house. Thank you for your continued support.

-Marcia Schick, Campground Chairperson

Lake Update- Jeff (Applied Geotechnical Services) will be out in June to survey the health of our Lake. I will receive the report and present the details at the annual meeting. Visually it appears the lake is still rising. Please be careful near the submerged island as now you can only see the top of the grass. The containment area (where we put the spoils from the lake) will continue to remain closed. This area is dangerous and should be avoided for safety reasons. Once the water is gone from the containment area we will start the last phase of the project, restoration. This could take several months or even years for the water to go down and the spoils to harden off. For those of you who live on the lake, please do not blow leaves and debris in to the lake. Keep the shoreline cleaned up and free from debris. This will help with the health of our lake.

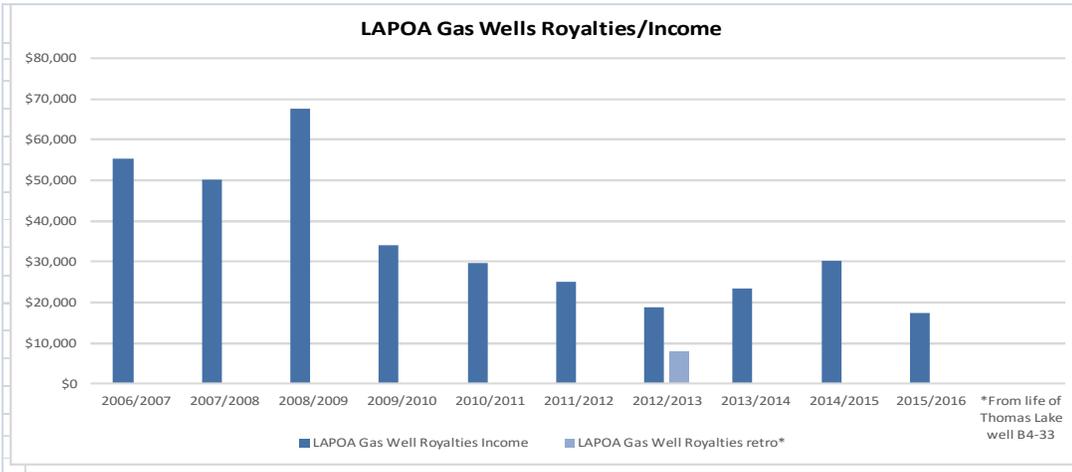
Roads-I will be taking an in depth look into our roads this summer. How can we improve them? What type of materials make up our roads? What is the best way to service our roads? Do we have the proper equipment? Just to name a few questions/concerns that will be addressed as we continuously try and improve. I should have more answers this summer. ATV, motorcycle and UTV riders, please abide by the 25mph speed limit, obey STOP signs, and stay on your side of the road. Remember, folks walk and ride bikes on our roads and we want everyone to be safe. Thank you and see you around the neighborhood.

-Chris Speen, Lake Improvement and Roads & Maintenance Chairperson

From the Financial Committee: Budget: The 2015-2016 fiscal year came to a close and we ran into some real challenges to make our budget. The gas wells income came in \$11,000 under budget and \$15,000 less than the previous budget year. The good news is that we were able to pay our bills this year thanks to a few areas that came in below budget expense and to the Collection Committee who were able to collect over \$28,000 in late fees and past due assessments from previous years. Over 87% of 2015-2016 assessments were paid last year, compared to 83% in 2014. That 4% increase amounts to almost \$6000. The majority of expenses came in around budget, and fortunately we did not have any unforeseen major expenses. The Campground again had a very good year, thanks to so many daily and annual campers who enabled the Campground to add funds to their savings account for future Campground projects. The final Lake improvement special assessment payments came in as expected and all loans for the Lake Improvement project have been repaid. Billing: March 1st was the beginning of the Association's fiscal year, therefore the 2016-2017 assessment bills were mailed out the week of March 1st and were due upon receipt. To avoid a late charge, please pay all current and past due assessments by June 15th. On June 16th we are required to apply a \$50 late charge to all accounts with an unpaid balance. Please include your lot number(s) on your check to ensure proper crediting. As approved at the membership meeting last July, a 3% annual increase has been added to all 2016-2017 regular assessments. Also, as approved at the membership meeting last July, each primary lot will be billed \$71 for the reserve fund. Beginning with this billing, you will be able to pay your assessments by credit card (a letter explaining the new credit card acceptance procedures was included with your bill).

Collections: We continue with our practice of filing small claims for unpaid association assessments and have been awarded judgments on all cases filed. To date we have notified over 50 property owners of the small claims filing, many owners have paid in full or have made payment arrangements to avoid going to court; others have paid after the judgment was issued. All collection costs have been covered within the late fees that we collect, so 100% of the past due assessments collected go directly to the association. We continue to post the owners names that have past due assessments on the window at the LAPOA office. If you have past due assessments, please call the office to make payment arrangements.

Submitted by Judy Race, Treasurer



<i>LAPOA Gas Well Royalties</i>		<i>Income</i>	<i>retro*</i>
2006/2007		\$55,399	
2007/2008		\$50,157	
2008/2009		\$67,711	
2009/2010		\$34,028	
2010/2011		\$29,805	
2011/2012		\$24,972	
2012/2013		\$18,749	\$7,924
2013/2014		\$23,379	
2014/2015		\$30,128	
2015/2016		\$17,417	
2016 ytd 5.11.16		\$3,158	
<i>*From life of Thomas Lake well B4-33</i>			

Our gas well revenues appear to be coming in below our budget as the industry is still suffering.
Submitted by Ron Race Jr.

Pool

By the time you read this, your pool will be open and ready for summer fun. Hard to believe, as it's the middle of May and currently we've had snow showers most of the day. In my February newsletter I informed you that we resurfaced the pool late last fall at quite a savings. This is a long term situation where we no longer will need to paint every five years and won't have to address the pool structure for 25 or 30 years.

The last few weeks we have been busy making several repairs to the bath house. Many boards have been replaced, others fortified. The hot water tank has been replaced. Exterior security cameras have been upgraded and will be used when the pool is closed. Showers have been upgraded, lighting enhanced, and interior painting completed.

I hope you're as anxious as I am for the warm weather. But the good news is, regardless of the weather, the pool water will be a perfect 82 degrees. Looking forward to seeing our neighbors at the pool.

-Ron Race, Pool Chairman

Keep the Peace!

When out having fun it is easy to forget how easily sounds travel. Please keep a respectful quiet when your neighbors are likely to be settling down for the night. Invite your tenants and guests to view our website and be sure they know where they may park as well as our Association and lake rules.



A little birdie told us.... You like to be kept informed!

The Lake Arrowhead Board of Directors utilizes several methods for keeping you informed about board actions and current Lake Arrowhead events. Our **Website, www.lapoa.com**, is our primary method of providing you with information: Here you will find contact information, newsletters, membership meeting minutes, approved board minutes; and information about amenities, services, local utilities, upcoming events, bylaws, rules, maps, and quick-links to sites that our members may find useful. New this year, is a page to let you set up credit card payments on your Lake Arrowhead account. While on the site, don't miss the beautiful aerial video of Lake Arrowhead that Brett Aubry filmed and was kind enough to share with us. Thank you Brett!

Newsletters: In March, June, and September of each year, our members are provided with a newsletter. To save costs, only the June newsletter is mailed. Past and current newsletters are posted to our website's "News You Can Use" page. All newsletters are published in PDF format. To access a website listed, just copy and paste to your browser.

Social Media Sites: Lake Arrowhead property owners are invited to join our **Nextdoor** social media site. We currently have 112 members- all Lake Arrowhead members. To join, go to www.nextdoor.com and register using your Lake Arrowhead property address. If your property does not have a dwelling on it, it may take a day or two for me to verify your membership. If you have trouble setting up an account, please contact me at mkdavignon@gmail.com. Many of our members also use **Facebook** to keep informed of Lake Arrowhead current events. Facebook is open to anyone; you just need an account and you can set your privacy level. There are several Lake Arrowheads in the country so look for Lake Arrowhead, Gaylord. We try to place most current news and reminders on both Nextdoor and on our Lake Arrowhead Facebook pages.

Social media sites are not the best place to resolve problems. We want to present Lake Arrowhead as the welcoming community that it is. If you have an issue or complaint, please be courteous and call the Office, notify a board member, or send a private message to the party involved.

Bulletin Boards: Contact information and the latest approved board minutes are posted at the mailbox building. There is just not enough space to display all the information we think you should have. Members also use the bulletin board for postings. Please do not remove postings belonging to other members.

As you can see, in order to keep informed about all that is happening in Lake Arrowhead, it is necessary to use a computer and to access the internet. Some of you may not be comfortable using a computer. I encourage you to learn about computers and give them a try.

Computer Classes: The Otsego County Commission on Aging offers monthly computer classes and is currently forming a basic computer class for people who have little or no experience using computers. Call (989)732-1122 for more information. The Otsego County Library offers free use of computers and free yearly computer classes.

-Mary Davignon, LAPOA Secretary, Communications Chairperson

Broadband in Lake Arrowhead

Our LAPOA Board Technology Chairperson, Dwayne Cocker has been working hard to expand free wireless internet access in some of the common areas of Lake Arrowhead. **Limited free internet Wifi** for our members has been set up in the pavilion-office area. No password is necessary. When you log on, you will be connected to the internet and to the LAPOA network. The name of the signal is: LakeArrowheadWiFi . This is a public network for all members and their guests to access. No security, no encryption, but devices also cannot “see” each other so users cannot “attack” another user’s device, get data, etc. Access is granted once per day and speed is limited to 1 Mbps so that no one can “hog” the network. Please refrain from gaming and movie watching while using the LakeArrowheadWiFi signal.

1. Coverage is currently focused in the pool/office/pavilion/park and surrounding areas and will soon be expanded to the campground.
2. Please carefully review the terms and conditions before clicking “continue” on the splash page. There are several key details included of which all users should be aware.
3. The WiFi network is provided as a best effort “as-is” service. We will do our best to keep the network up and operational. If you are experiencing a problem accessing the network, please let Dwayne Crocker know via Facebook/messenger or Next Door. He is alerted remotely if the network goes down or is experiencing Internet connection problems, but sometimes it may take an affected user to notify him if he is not automatically alerted.

Broadband expansion??: For the past few years Ron Race Sr. has tried unsuccessfully to get Charter Cable to take a serious look at providing service to Lake Arrowhead. I had the pleasure of attending the May 2nd presentation about broadband in Northern MI at the Otsego County Commission on Aging. There I learned that broadband services are often based upon the latest U.S. census data. Bill Morand, the Region Communications Director for Charter was a guest presenter at the meeting. I mentioned that vacation communities like Lake Arrowhead are probably being overlooked for high speed cable because our concentrated but part time population is not reflected on the census. Mr. Morand explained that they have to have a hope of making a profit on their investment in such a rural community and encouraged me to have our members contact Charter to request their service.

When I wrote to Mr. Morand, I explained that many of our full time residents started out as cottagers and now live at the lake full-time. Those who are accustomed to the fast speeds afforded by cable, are frustrated by slow DSL connections and the lack of choice for television. Lake Arrowhead currently receives DSL service from AVCI.net , and some members may use Dish or Directv for their internet in addition to TV services. Some of our members can't even get satellite because neighbor's tall trees interfere with signals. Many of our members would like to work remotely, but cannot because they do not have fast, secure, internet available to them. Part-time residents would like to monitor and regulate their cottages while they are away. I told him that our Association currently has 718 members with 305 dwellings. Most of the homes are concentrated on the "inner circle" which surrounds Buhl Lake. Typical lots are only 60' wide so the homes are quite concentrated. Other than Arapaho, our main entrance road, all our roads are dirt/gravel and are owned and maintained by the Association.

I encourage you to contact Mr. Morand regarding Charter services. Here is his immediate reply to my email:

Good afternoon –

This email was forwarded to our Director of Construction, as well as our VP of Operations for the Michigan market. A copy was also sent to our Government Affairs department. Your inquiry is in the right hands, and I am confident it will be investigated properly.

Sincerely,

Bill Morand

Region Communications Director

william.morand@charter.com

Federal Subsidies are available to help defray internet subscription costs for low-income households.

Submitted by Mary Davignon, LAPOA Secretary, Communications Chairperson

Water Safety



Most serious water incidents can be prevented by using multiple layers of protection: providing adequate barriers, knowing how to swim, swimming and diving in safe locations, using proper flotation devices, carefully supervising, and knowing CPR and how to handle emergencies. For more detailed information see:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nj21chWT5G0>
<http://www.myflfamilies.com/service-programs/child-welfare/water-safety-tips>
<http://www.cdc.gov/safecild/Drowning/index.html>

There are several water safety videos that are directed to children on U-tube. Just browse and choose videos appropriate for your child's age. Swimming lessons are offered at the Otsego County Sportsplex. See www.ocsportsplex.com.

Experts agree!

Children have no natural fear of water, and they should not be taught to be afraid.

They are much safer throughout their lives if they can swim and if they know basic rules such as:

“Never swim alone.”

“Enter water feet first.”

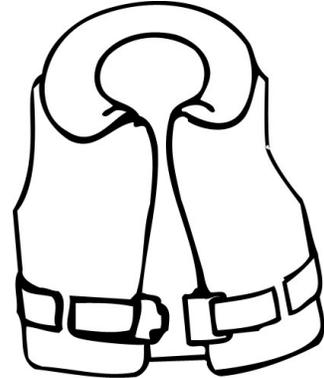
“Look before you leap.”

“Reach or throw, don't go.”

“Don't just pack it, wear a life jacket.”

“Stay with the boat.”

“Stay off the ice unless with an adult.”



These quick links to the following safety sites are also on our website:

Burn permits: http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-153-30301_30816_44539---,00.html

Michigan Off-Road Handbook: <https://www.offroad-ed.com/michigan/handbook/>

Michigan Watercraft law: http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_10884-37311--,00.html

Please be careful on our roads, trails, and lakes.

Let's all have a fun and safe summer!

**THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LAKE ARROWHEAD
PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION**

DATE: JULY 2, 2016

TIME: 10:00 A.M.

PLACE: PAVILION

AGENDA:

- I. Call the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance
 - A. Establish a quorum
 - B. Roll call of the Board of Directors
 - C. Approval of the minutes of the July 4, 2015 membership meeting.
 - D. Treasurer's report

- II. Comments and/or concerns of the members

- III. Unfinished business, including discussion and action, if needed
 - A. Questions on the written reports submitted by chairpersons
 - B. Lake Improvement Project report
 - C. Report from Roads and Maintenance
 - D. Report on the Reserve Study

- IV. New Business, including discussion and action, if needed.
 - A Election of board members
 - 1. Nomination from the floor
 - 2. Introduction of nominees.
 - 3. Voting
 - C. Results of Election

- V. Adjournment.

In an attempt to shorten the meeting, all reports from the committees will be in writing.

A note from the Secretary;

The LAPOA Bylaws Article V contains our Membership Meeting voting rights and procedures.

-Members should be aware that voting is restricted to members in good standing.

-Voting by proxy is not allowed. Voting takes place at our annual Membership meeting. Absentee voting is allowed only when the board deems it necessary to mail ballots to all LAPOA members who are eligible to vote.

-Article V, Section 6 provides the procedure for electing board members. This does allow eligible members to submit their absentee ballot for board members by mail. The Secretary must receive ballots at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting, or they may be turned in at the meeting provided they are in a sealed envelope with the name or names of the members casting the ballot written on the outside.

Mary Davignon, LAPOA Secretary

**Lake Arrowhead Property Owners Association
Annual Membership Meeting Draft Minutes
July 4, 2015**

-The meeting was called to order at 10:10 by LAPOA President Chris Speen.
-Attendance: All board members were in attendance except Karl McKennon who was absent.

-Ron Race Sr. Moved to approve the minutes from the July 5, 2014 membership meeting. Dick Miller seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

-Chris Speen expressed the community's appreciation to the many members who volunteer their services throughout the year.

-Judy Race presented and explained the financial report and answered member's questions. Mary Davignon moved to approve the financial report. The motion was seconded by Dick Miller and passed unanimously.

Concerns of Members:

Paul Balluck expressed concern over invasive aquatic weeds. Chris explained that the Association has entered into a contract with a company to monitor them and will inspect the lake twice each year for the next ten years. Invasive weeds will be eradicated as necessary for the health of the lake.

Cory Ames asked about security gate to prevent illegal dumping. Scott explained that a gate is not practical because people will just dump at the gate. Prior to accepting the donation of the compactor, there was a huge amount of trash that was just dumped. Mary will post dump locations on the website. Ron encourages members to watch out for and report illegal dumping to police. We will continue to work on illegal dumping prevention.

Pete Boland asked about appropriate recourse when trash is left on member's private property. Such cases should be reported to Vern at Otsego County's Building Dept.

Paul Aubry stated that he has stopped people who live in Lakes of the North who were dumping here. He said the people he stopped claim that they had been told by Lakes of the North to take their trash to Lake Arrowhead. The Board will follow-up with Lakes of the North.

Unfinished Business: There were no questions about the written reports (Lake Project, Pool, Gas Wells, Parks) that accompanied today's agenda.

New Business:

-Chris Speen stated that the Reserve Study by Building Reserves Inc. can be reviewed on our website and introduced Ed Heitsch.

-Ed Heitsch explained the background on the Reserve Study and how it was done. He explained that a Reserve fund: adds value to our properties, avoids special assessments and loans, reduces costs, avoids interest associated with loans, avoids lag times, and has owners paying their fare share over time. A \$71 yearly assessment on primary lots beginning in 2016 will build up our Reserve fund so that we can handle our large replacement/maintenance projects. This assessment would not be subject to the proposed 3% annual dues increase.

-Ron Race Sr. explained that maintenance dues are not keeping up with the basic "cost of living or CPI." Our operating costs continue to rise and we are not making our budget on our present income. Without an increase of dues, we would have to cut some of our amenities or services. An automatic 3% annual increase of dues on Primary and Secondary lots should enable us to keep up with rising costs.

There were some questions/answers and discussion about the Reserve Study and the proposed increases. *

(Draft minutes continued:)

Ron Race Sr. made the following motion:

Pursuant to Article VIII, Section 3 of the Lake Arrowhead Property Owners Association Amended and Restated Bylaws, I move that commencing with the 2016 maintenance assessments, all “Full Assessment” and “Secondary Assessment” shall be increased annually by 3% irrespective of future membership approved maintenance assessments changes and without any further vote of the Members.

The motion was seconded by Ron Race Jr. Sue and Gary Fuller counted the votes: There were 96 members in favor. There were 20 members apposed. The 2/3 majority approval requirement was met and the motion was approved.

Ron Race Sr. made the following motion:

Pursuant to Article VIII, Section 3 of the Lake Arrowhead Property Owners Association Amended and Restated Bylaws, I move that commencing in 2016, each lot qualifying for a “Full Assessment” will be required to pay \$71.00 annually for the purpose of creating and maintaining a “Reserve Fund.” The Reserve Fund shall be held in separate account and may be used at the Board’s discretion for the purpose of funding the repair or replacement of the Association’s Common Grounds, the recreational facilities, roads within the Subdivisions, the Association’s equipment, and other property owned by the Association.

Dick Miller seconded the motion. Sue and Gary Fuller counted the votes. There were 80 members in favor. There were 39 members opposed. The 2/3 majority approval requirement was met and the motion was approved.

Election of Board Members In addition to Dwayne Crocker, Ron Race Sr., Chris Speen, and Anita Wheaton, (nominees who submitted their nominations in advance); Scott Bicknell nominated Gordie Wearsch and Cory Ames nominated Brook Winiger. Both accepted their nominations. Scott moved to close the nominations. Ron Race Sr. seconded the motion and it passed. Candidates each gave a brief introduction of themselves and ballots were submitted. The meeting was recessed while the votes were counted. The combined tally of the mail-in and at-meeting votes follows:

Dwayne Crocker	95
Ron Race Sr.	92
Chris Speen	93
Anita Wheaton	91
Gordon Wearsch	32
Brook Winiger	38

Results: Dwayne Crocker, Ron Race Sr., Chris Speen, and Anita Wheaton have all been elected to three year terms. Brook Winiger has been elected to a two year term to fulfill a vacancy left by Board member Dave Liggett’s resignation.

At 12:45 the election results were announced and the meeting adjourned.

*As required by our bylaws, notice of the proposed dues increases was made 30 days in advance. It was part of our June 2015 newsletter which was mailed to members in May 2015.
Minutes submitted by Mary Davignon, LAPOA Secretary

2016 Mail in Ballot for LAPOA Board of Directors

This year there are five, board of director positions available for three year terms. All ballots must be in the hands of the secretary twenty-four hours prior to the annual meeting or they may be turned in at the annual meeting, sealed in an envelope with the member's name on the front. **Ballots will be distributed at the annual meeting for those casting their ballots in person. Additional nominations will be accepted from the floor.** Two votes will be allowed to common owners of property in Lake Arrowhead regardless of the number of lots owned. Vote for no more than **five (5)**, by placing an X on the line next to the name of the person you wish to vote for. There may be two Xs on a line if there are two owners voting with this Mail in Ballot. **Mail your ballot to the Election Committee, attn. Mary Davignon, 7065 Arrowroot Trail A-3, Gaylord, MI 49735. Ballots may also be placed in the Lake Arrowhead Drop Box located at the mailboxes. You must be a member in good standing to vote. Your name must appear on the outside of the envelope so it can be verified that your assessments are paid in full.**

_____ **Mary Davignon** first began serving on the LAPOA board in 2011 when she filled in for a member who resigned. Since her first term on the board she has been producing the Association's three annual newsletters. She is currently the Association's secretary and webmaster and manages our Facebook and Nextdoor pages. Mary and her husband Larry began cottaging at Lake Arrowhead in 2007, and they became full time residents 3 years ago. You might see Mary kayaking on the lake with "Captain" Cody, the beagle. She enjoys living in a beautiful community where neighbors help each other and work together to provide a safe, clean environment for all to enjoy.
-Mary was nominated by Ron Race Sr.

_____ **Judy Race** has been the LAPOA Treasurer and Accounting Agent and chair of the Collection Committee for the past 3 years. She has lived in Lake Arrowhead since retiring from Comerica Bank/Securities in 2014. She worked for Comerica for 27 years, mostly as management in securities and insurance. Judy has been coming up to Lake Arrowhead since 1974, camping for many years before building a house in 2003. This past year, Judy and her husband Ron built a new house on the lake, across the street from their grandchildren. Judy enjoys golfing, boating, camping with her grandchildren, and spending time with family. She is also the LAPOA Pool Manager. Judy is dedicated to maintaining and enhancing the LAPOA amenities for the enjoyment of all for many years to come.
-Judy was nominated by Gary Fuller and Sue Fuller.

_____ **Dana Stubli** has lived in Lake Arrowhead for 13 years & has worked in the LAPOA Office since 2009. She has been a board member for the past 3 years. During this time she has served as the Real Estate Chairperson and worked hard to sell more than 10 Association-owned lots. This year, it was Dana's idea and initiative to partner with the Otsego County Treasurer to get some of the county-owned lots sold. Because of Dana's resourcefulness, the Association is now receiving additional income through sold Association-owned and county-owned lots. Dana is also on the Parks, Recreation and Lakes Committee with her husband, Kyle.
-Dana was nominated by Connie Stubli.

_____ **Kyle Stubli** has lived in Lake Arrowhead most of his life. Kyle has been a board member for the past 6 years. He truly cares about Lake Arrowhead and has helped with various projects throughout our community.
-Kyle was nominated by Dana Stubli.