

**Messalonskee Lake Association
Minutes
March 20, 2008**

The meeting was called to order by Mike Willey at 7:00 PM. Other members present were: Bill Libby, Ed Pearl Bob Nardi, Ned Hammond and Gilliam Johnston.

COMMITTEEE REPORTS

Treasurer's Report (As of 1/10/08)

Assets

\$8,552.85 in the MLA Checking Account

2008 Summary (1/1/2008 through 3/20/2008)

Income - \$836.03 (Contributions and dues)

Expenses - \$531.39

Milfoil Management - The Board discussed the road ahead for a Lake Milfoil Management Plan. Mike will begin drafting a plan that will simply address issues surrounding identification of the plant and outlining approved milfoil management techniques. The role of the Lake Association will be to provide technical assistance to the property owner in verifying plant identification and approved removal techniques.

Lake Patrol - An initial meeting was held with the Oakland Town Manager to discuss operation of the Police Boat for the 2008 season. It has been determined that the Oakland Police Department will man the boat this summer and the Board discussed the schedule and concerns about the impact of the program on the Lake Association budget. A follow-on meeting will take place with the Town Manager to finalize hours of operation, mooring locations and communications protocols before making a final presentation to the Board at the April meeting.

Newsletter - Bill distributed draft articles for the Boards consideration. He will send the materials to Haskins for formatting and review with the goal of getting the newsletter in the mail by the end of March. Ed distributed copies of a membership decal that will be distributed with the newsletter. **STATUS - OPEN**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Corporate Donation Initiative - Mike has written to 10 area businesses seeking corporate donations. To date he has had one response.

Budget Discussion - The key to developing additional revenues this year is in increasing membership. The Board discussed strategies to include education and recognition.

Website Update - Mike will post the newsletter and a link to the BRCA Aqua-Fest

information on the Lake Association site.

Lake Trust - Bill reported on the preliminary work of the BRCA Lake Trust in planning for the Courtesy Boat Inspection (CBI) program for 2008.

NEW BUSINESS

None

Future Meeting Dates: April 10, May 8, June 12, Annual Meeting (TBD)