

# **Meeting Agenda- Meeting Summary**

## **Dixie Lake Improvement Board**

**October 22, 2025 – 9:00 AM**

**Location: Springfield Township Fire Hall, Rattalee Lake Rd**

1. Call to Order –  
Meeting called to order by Steve Felix at 9:00am.  
Members present: Steve Felix, Bruce McCallum, Jared McLaughlin, Bob Hoffman, Niklas Krantz, Larry Young. Dennis Haun absent. Jayne Bannister present.
2. Treasurer Report – Dennis Haun  
Reviewed budget report for 2025, supplied for review by Dennis. DLIB overall balance/ budget status confirmed post meeting and available upon request.  
Bob Hoffman Motion to accept the report, Larry Young 2nd, all support
3. Engineering Report– Jared Laughlin. from Progressive  
Jared provided the 2025 Project Work Journal for Dixie Lake, outlining all work completed, in support of the Engineering Report.  
Larger plant growth than normal this summer due to drought and increased water temp; algae and growth post final harvest and chemical treatments due to temps and extended summer temps. Late season phragmites treatment completed per plans; purple loosestrife/phragmites water/land completed with the exception of 2 planned properties (on the land) at North end. Aquaweed was not able to get permission from homeowners to treat- weren't able to reach homeowners. The end of season assessment indicates probable need for more robust early spring chemical treatment, will plan for that. Current balance/budget will be able to cover that. Jane Bannister asked about water lilies- water lilies have been treated to ensure they do not incur on the boat path.  
Bob Motion to accept, Larry second, all support.
4. DLIB insurance discussion – Steve Felix  
Continued discussion - reminder  $\frac{2}{3}$  of lake boards do not carry insurance. Decide by March if we want insurance to support the July policy update. Mechanical harvest and chemical application liability covered by contract with Progressive, Aquaweed and Oakland Harvesters. Bob requested information on current policy premium and what it covers. Steve will pull current policy and send out. Steve asked Board Members to identify what we think we need coverage for. If all members have personal liability there may not be any reason to have additional insurance. Continued topic with intent to resolve prior to the July Insurance policy update.
5. 2026 Meeting Schedule, 9:00am, at Springfield Twp Firehall (Steve to reserve)  
March 27; May 15; July 31; Oct 23  
Discussions regarding the SAD 2027 renewal will initiate in Summer 2026, with remaining tasks to occur in 2027.

Bruce McCallum Motion to accept schedule, Larry Young second, all approve.

6. Future Board Member tips. Draft Review – Steve Felix  
Board members reviewed and updated list, will continue to update as a working document. Jared provided a document from [Michiganlakeinfo.com](http://Michiganlakeinfo.com) “Lake Boards: Commonly asked Questions” for reference.
7. Open Discussion/Public Comments  
Jane- noted that beetles are present and are making a positive impact on the purple loosestrife. Note that the treatment plan is seeming to be effective.  
Jared- Nik will be a fulltime employee of Progressive, and will be taking over most activity for the lake. Jared will remain but will be in primarily planning and supervisorial role.
8. Adjourn  
Motion by Bob Hoffman to adjourn, Larry Young second, all support. Meeting Adjourn at 9:51am.