

Fall 2018 LLVLA News

On July 28th the LLVLA meeting was held at The Hobart Township Hall. About 81 members attended. A tasty brunch was provided by Destination Dining. The following local merchants donated door prizes: Loon's Nest, Natalies's Serendipity, Vergas Bank, Vergas Hardware Store, Spanky's Stonehearth, Vergas Liquor Store and LLVLA. Please support local businesses. **The next Annual meeting will be June 15th, 2019 at the Hobart Township Hall. Hope to see you there!

The following questions and/or concerns were brought up at the annual meeting:

1. Q: What can be done about safety concerns along highway 36 on the east side of Long Lake?
A: The state highway department is currently studying this concern. I will keep you updated.
2. Q: Can the lake association organize spring spraying for tent caterpillars? A: Yes. The Lake Association will be sending out more information about spraying and the cost in a mailing this spring. We plan to spray sometime in May.
3. Q: Can Long Lake be stocked with walleye fingerlings? A: Yes. The DNR stocks Long Lake every other year in the fall of even numbered years. LLVLA could stock the lake on odd numbered years with walleye fingerlings. The cost is \$18.00 per pound and our cost would be about \$7800.00. For more information about this check the Long Lake @ Vergas Lake Association website. Thank you to Tim Nephew for researching this.
4. Q: Can we print a directory of members' names and contact information? A: We cannot provide to the public contact information without written permission from each member.
5. Q: Can we shut off the flow from the lakes that feed into Long Lake so that we can prevent the spread of zebra mussels? A: No. Shutting off Long Lake could adversely affect the water table and the whole water shed both upstream and downstream. Shutting off Long Lake would not be a solution since zebra mussels are also spread by nature, by water fowl and animals that travel from lake to lake.
6. Our Adopt a Highway section has been cleaned by the South Central Beach (Rick Lewis) residents. The LLVLA Board of directors decided that each area or beach would take turns cleaning our section along highway 60. Who would like to volunteer their neighborhood for the 2019 Spring cleanup?

The LLVLA Board of Directors met August 20th. It was decided that 2019 annual dues will be \$50. Dues must be paid on or before the 2019 Annual Meeting. We are going to have different funds to separate our general operating expenses from our initiatives. Money from dues will be used for general purposes such as the cost of the annual meeting, website expenses, mailings, postage, etc. We will have separate funds for spraying, invasive water species prevention and stocking the lake with walleye fingerlings. You will be getting more information about this in the Spring. Check out our website and Facebook pages to stay informed!

Let's stay connected! Pam Kirsch, President

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