Board of Trustees Minutes for June 21, 1986

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by President Jack King.

All Trustees were present, except Tr. Rumberger, whose absence was excused. Trustees Soehnlein and Stricklin were also absent.

Also attending: Bill Gaffney, Jerry Fairbanks, Dave Best, Tony and Joe Anne Paradise, Floyd Jones, Ron Harmon.

The first order of business was to appoint a replacement for the vacant seat on the Board.

Motion by Tr. Redman, second by Tr. Olson with opposing votes by Trustees Pelk and Wilson-Hoss, was carried by the Board as follows:

To appoint Helen Plancich to fill the vacancy on the Board.

Minutes of the May Board meeting were approved with this correction: Jerry Soehnlein gave the Water Committee report instead of Jerry Fairbanks as had been recorded.

Financial Report- Tr. Redman.

Lou reported that we are basically still on target budget-wise, though a \$20,000 shortfall is expected for this fiscal year. Monies loaned by the Water Committee are being managed very carefully. Bank balances are reconciled monthly, and have been in balance since the club accounting was taken over to be done in-house. Lou complemented Lauren Barrett, saying she is doing a great job as Office Manager, and that input from the office has been very helpful in compiling and relaying financial information.

At this point, Bill Gaffney was asked to report on the recent meeting with DOE, Dam Safety, and our engineer Ken Martig. Bill attended also, and reported that he felt the tone of the meeting was very negative, and that our engineer had been treated in an unprofessional manner. Dam Safety still insists that the dam be raised, regardless of the potential damage to adjacent homes which have been found to be lower in elevation. The Board agreed that we continue with our investigations regarding dam safety.

Lake Committee- Tr. Gronseth.

A guideline for dock approvals and requirements for construction has been drawn up, and Board members were asked to study it.

Motion by ${\tt Tr.}$ Wilson-Hoss, second by ${\tt Tr.}$ Gronseth was carried by the Board as follows:

To adopt the guideline for dock requirements as revised.

Item #19, Guidelines to Interpretation of Rules was discussed. It was pointed out that Mason County had been referred to in the Guideline to suggest maximum dimensions that could be built without county permits at that time. However, county requirements are often changed, and in

any case, those requirements do not apply to construction of docks on Lake Limerick.

President King commented that the Lake Committee has a right and a duty to try to regulate construction of docks for now and for the future of the lake.

Floyd Jones, a past member and now owner of an independent telephone installation firm addressed the Board. He spoke on the need of buying and installing a new telephone system for the clubhouse, as opposed to leasing the equipment as the club currently does. Jones' proposal included two desk, and two wall phones, a complete new system installed for a little over \$1,000, with terms, at the end of which the club would own the equipment.

Motion by Tr. Redman, second by Tr. Wilson-Hoss was carried by the Board as follows:

That the Executive Committee study this and 3 or 4 other proposals and then make recommendation to the Board.

Tr . Redman commented that we should take this proposal under consideration and possibly include Maintenance and the Pro Shop in the system.

Architectural- Joe Anne Paradise.

Joe Anne reported on several homes being built at the present time. The Committee is continually trying to make sure that all mobile homes are upgraded, kept in good condition and not left to deteriorate on the property. A question was raised as to the procedure for approving docks, and it was agreed that the Architectural Committee has the final say on approving docks after screening by the Lake Committee. Members of the Architectural Committee can give provisional approval so as not to delay construction, subject to the member submitting the application at the next meeting of the Committee.

Greens Committee- Jerry Fairbanks.

Jerry reported that the Benchcraft Company has requested permission to put benches and tee markers at various spots on the golf course. The benches would convey advertising, and would be placed at no charge to the club. Tr. Redman suggested that they possibly should contain our own club advertising. The club would have veto authority and the final say as to what is advertised. Jerry will call some courses that have allowed these benches, with questions of maintenance and replacement requirements, and report back to the Board.

Youth Committee- Tr. Wilson-Hoss.

Limerick Daze plans are set, and Rob complemented Janie Rumberger on her efforts in putting all the activities together.

By-Laws Committee- Tr. Wilson-Hoss.

Rob lead the discussion of Article IX, and presented a revised and detailed version for the Board to study. In explaining this proposed amendment, he said that since 1976 the club has been tied to the cost of living index covering both the dues and assessments. As a result,

the club experiences a \$20,000 shortfall every year, just keeping up with maintenance costs resulting from the increased usage of club facilities.

There is no practical way to balance the budget within this limitation on income, without extensive cuts in some services.

Under this proposal, the Board would adopt a balanced budget and assess the membership accordingly. The budget would make clear how we can improve the facilities. Any expenditure for a complete project over \$5,000 would have to be submitted to the membership for a vote. Article IX changes would eliminate the ability of the Board to use club properties as security for loans. At present, there is no limit as to how much the Board can spend; only a limit on how much the members can be assessed. This trading of limits would enable members to have more of a say in what we purchase or propose of a sizeable nature. The Board does not want to be hampered in the operation and maintenance of the club, but the power to acquire additional facilities and make

the club, but the power to acquire additional facilities and make improvements would be restricted.

Rob then read the proposed revision of Article IX to the Board, and the meaning of the language was explained and discussed. Added to section 2 are the words "except for water supply purposes as set forth in Article 1, Section 9, Articles of Incorporation".

Money raised by individual parts of the Corporation, such as the Men's Club or the Magpies in the way of a donation for a certain project would not be restricted to the limitation; only funds generated for a certain project by Lake Limerick Country Club would come under the restriction.

Because Washington State collects taxes on assessments and not on dues, it was suggested that membership dues for each participant be raised to \$50, and per lot assessments be adjusted downward.

Tr. Redman recommended that the Board study this proposal, discussing it with members during the coming month, and then vote on it at the July meeting.

Members will be advised of an Open Forum meeting to discuss Article IX, to be held after school starts, in this issue of the Newsletter. The Board can adopt a deficit budget, bring it before the members at the special meeting to show exactly why this new structure for dues and assessments is needed. The proposal could be put to a vote at the September Semi-Annual Meeting.

Executive Committee- President King.

Tr. Redman opened this report by explaining resolution of the problem with MBA regarding the office computer. The firm has agreed to provide total back-up service for the system, keep us current with new developments, and adjust the cost for these services.

President King lead the discussion of wages paid to our Office Manager. All agreed that the office and club accounting were being handled in a very efficient and dedicated way.

Motion by Tr. Gronseth, second by Tr. Pelk was carried by the Board as follows:

To raise Lauren Barrett's salary to \$1,500 per month.

It was agreed that the raise should be in the form of an allowance for childcare expenses for Lauren.

Maintenance Committee- Tr. Olson.

George reported that we have installed a new motor in the Weed Harvester.

George also commented on the need to repair the tennis court, and all agreed that this project should be put in the Maintenance budget so that it might be accomplished.

Vandalism to the new road signs was discussed, and a suggestion was made to post a reward in an effort to discourage this problem.

Water Committee-

President King announced that Bob King has resigned as Chairman, and Jerry Soehnlein has agreed to take over that job. Guy Barrett will be a new member of this Committee.

Correspondence-

A letter from the Department of Fisheries was read in which they request permission to continue the salmon enhancement program. The Board approved this request.

A letter from the Mason County Auditor was read requesting use of the lodge as a polling place for the Northside Precinct. The Board approved this request, and will make the lodge available as a public service.

A letter containing a dog complaint from Martin and Lillian Laffey was read, and a response will be sent immediately. The Laffeys will be advised to identify the owners of the offending animals in order to follow up the complaint.

Two "Thank You" notes, from Cub Scout Pack #26 for club contributions and support, and from Shirley Reichner, widow of Bob Reichner, were read.

At this point, Tr. Gronseth reported that the Lake Committee will meet with Ken Martig this week, and will take him out on the lake to inspect the problem areas of siltation firsthand.

The Maintenance Department has successfully repainted many buoys forming the ski lanes. The Lake Committee has purchased \$200 worth of new buoys so the lanes will be visible and the safety factor on the lake improved for this season.

The Lake Committee wants to hire a uniformed security man to patrol weekends and/or holidays this year. The Committee has been informed that the sheriff's department can not do this kind of job for us, but a different solution to this problem will be studied further.

New Business-

Tr. Redman suggested that we publicize the club, saying that it is important for Shelton and Mason County to recognize our position in the area. Many things we accomplish as a community go unnoticed. An article in the Journal would be beneficial and could note our elections, events, the fact that the lodge is a polling place and that Social Memberships are available.

Bus shelters are still being planned for the school children of the

area. Tony Paradise and Jerry Soehnlein will be working on this project.

Tony Paradise reported on activities of young people in the community, and voiced his hopes that we will be able to attract this segment of our population to the club and club affairs.

Meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patti Gronseth, secretary

Board of Trustees Special Meeting June 1, 1986

The meeting was called to order at $1:00\ \mathrm{p.m.}$ by President Jack King.

All Trustees were present.

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Also attending: Jerry Fairbanks, Tony Paradise.

The purpose of this meeting was to gain input from members of the Board on the upcoming budget. A shortfall of \$20,000 is anticipated for the remainder of the fiscal year. The deficit we experience each year is caused in large part by expenditures for Club maintenance, leading to the necessity of dividing Administration/Maintenance catagories in the budget.

Improvements in the golf course, clubhouse, water system and purchase of the weed harvester for the lake were noted. However, we need to present a budget to the members that provides for capital expenditures, as all improvements through the years have been handled while we had only an operating budget in place. The need is to give the members all the facts, and present them with:

An Operating Budget

A Budget to take care of Losses

A Budget providing for a replacement fund. Tr. Redman commented that monies spent on maintenance of the lake have been sadly neglected, and must be included in the budget as a seperate item.

The Board must also be unified as to how we are going to provide for a short, medium and long range budget, integrated with the members so that they are aware of these problems, and are willing to affect a change in Article 9 of the By-Laws. Strategies of presentation to the membership are of the utmost importance. The budget must include a lid on expenditures, and must contain committee expense details. Quarterly reports are to be available of committee funds spent to date, versus budgeted funds.

Information to members must be presented in September, in order to acheive action on the ammendment at the April 1987 Membership meeting. If a negative response is received, and the members do not approve the alternate budgets presented to them, we will be faced with adopting a tight, bare bones operating budget.

Meeting adjourned at 2:49 p.m.

The meeting then went into Executive Session to consider and revise the annual contract for the Pro, Jeff Jackson, for operating the golf course and Pro Shop. Tr. Wilson-Hoss

reworded the contract with input from the committee. Meeting adjourned at 4:15p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patti Gronseth, secretary