

Changes have been proposed for Articles III, V, and VII.

Proposed changes are highlighted in red. Those of you who did not vote on this issue at the August 14th annual meeting will have opportunity to vote by a ballot that will be sent to you in the mail.

Bylaws

Hagerman Lake Property Owners Association

hagermanlake.org

ARTICLE I: NAME

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the Hagerman Lake Property Owners Association, referred to herein as the "Association." The Association is a non-profit, non-stock corporation of Stambaugh Township, Iron County, Michigan.

Section 2. The fiscal year of the Association shall be the calendar year, January 1 to December 31.

ARTICLE II: PURPOSE

Section 1. The purpose of the Association is to preserve and protect Hagerman Lake and its surroundings, and to enhance the water quality, fishery, boating safety, and aesthetic values of the lake as a public recreational facility for today and for future generations.

Section 2. The Association shall work with, and seek funding from, federal, state, and local agencies, public and private, to maintain the quality of the lake.

Section 3. The Association may provide or seek educational resources relating to the protection and quality of Hagerman Lake and its wildlife.

Section 4. The Association shall inform lake residents of concerns relating to the purposes of the Association.

Section 5. The Association will promote social activity that will help generate a sense of community among property owners.

Section 6. The Association will as a body, bring issues of interest or concern affecting lake residents and users to the attention of governmental entities.

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Association membership shall be open to all property owners who share a concern for the purposes of the Association. There shall be two classifications of membership:

Section 2. *General Membership* shall consist of the dues-paying riparian property owner or owners of Hagerman Lake (those with property along the Hagerman Lake shoreline) **and land owners lacking riparian rights, but owning property on these roads surrounding Hagerman Lake:**

Hagerman Lake Road and West Hagerman Lake Road between highway M-73 and the Ottawa Lake Road.

East Hagerman Lake Road, including Macadoba Lane

North Hagerman Lake Road

Little Hagerman Lake Road

Meyer Drive

Today Lane

Each general membership shall be a voting member of the Association. Each general membership shall have only one (1) vote regardless of the number of co-owners. In cases of multiple ownership, the multiple owners shall designate their voting representative. An owner or owners of multiple properties whether contiguous or non-contiguous, shall be entitled to one (1) vote.

Section 3. *Associate Membership* shall consist of dues-paying members who may include interested individuals, families, or businesses who share Association concerns, or individuals appointed as representatives to the Association by resource organizations. Although Associate members may not vote, they may participate fully in Association activities and meetings.

Section 4. Non-members are free to attend Association meetings but may not vote. Those wishing to make a presentation shall make prior arrangements with the Association President.

Section 5. The membership year is the calendar year, January 1 to December 31.

ARTICLE IV: DUES

Section 1. Annual dues and possible contingency funding shall be recommended by the Board of Directors. The amounts of dues and any contingency funding will be determined by a majority vote of the Association at a duly called meeting as determined necessary by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Annual membership dues shall be paid to the Treasurer on January 1st of each year. Dues shall become delinquent if not paid by May 15th of each membership year. A delinquent member shall be ineligible to vote until dues are paid.

Section 3. Monies collected shall be used to cover the cost of operation of the Association, including but not limited to the cost of mailings, supplies, phone calls, Internet web page, duplicating, or any other costs incurred as we keep the membership informed.

Section 4. Annual dues for associate (non-voting) members shall be the same as dues for general members.

ARTICLE V: OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of the Association shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. They shall be chosen from the General membership of the Association, and elected by majority vote of the membership attending the Annual Meeting. They shall hold office for ~~the succeeding two years.~~ **a four year term, and may be elected for further terms. Officers shall serve staggered terms: President and Secretary shall be elected together; Vice President and Treasurer together, with terms staggered to provide a two-year overlap.** Their duties begin with the meeting at which they are elected. The officers shall serve without compensation.

Section 2. A vacancy for any reason in any elected position shall be filled by appointment of the Board of Directors, and will remain in effect until the next annual meeting, when the position shall be filled by election.

ARTICLE VI: DUTIES

Section 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Association and of the Board of Directors and shall cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

Section 2. The Vice President shall assist the President in performance of his duties. In the absence of the President, the Vice President shall preside at meetings of the Association and perform all other duties of the President.

Section 3. The Secretary shall conduct all correspondence for the Association and the Board of Directors, shall keep the minutes of all meetings, and shall maintain a clear record of the business of the Association and Board of Directors. The Secretary shall keep an accurate record of the property owners of the lake, providing such information for the Hagerman Lake Directory.

Section 4. The Treasurer shall receive all monies paid to the Association and shall keep an accurate account of Association membership records. The Treasurer shall disperse such monies as approved by the Board of Directors or as required by law. At each meeting, the Treasurer shall provide a written report of the financial status of the Association. A written statement of cash receipts and disbursements shall be prepared annually and made available to the membership upon request. All monies paid to the Association shall be deposited by the Treasurer in the bank account of the Association. No funds in excess of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) shall be disbursed by any officer without the approval of the Board of Directors. All Association checks,

bank withdrawals, and bank transfers shall require the signatures of the Treasurer and one other non-spouse member of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VII: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. The Board of Directors shall consist of the four duly elected officers, the past president last holding office, and two members elected at large from the General membership. Board members elected at large shall serve for a 2-year term, **elected on alternate years.**

Section 2. The Board of Directors shall be responsible for the affairs and property of the Association, serving as the executive and policy-making arm of the Association, responsive to the direction of the Association at a duly-called meeting.

ARTICLE VIII: MEETINGS

Section 1. The Annual Meeting of the Association shall be held on the second Saturday of August. Additional meetings will be called by the Board of Directors as necessary. Notice of meetings will be provided by signs around the lake, and on the Association website (hagermanlake.org) and shall be posted at least two (2) weeks in advance of each meeting.

Section 2. A quorum of the Association shall be no less than 10% of voting membership. Voting members shall register with the Secretary of the Association immediately prior to any regular or special meeting.

Section 3. Members who are unable to attend will be kept informed by postings on the Association webpage.

ARTICLE IX: COMMITTEES

Section 1. All committees, except the nominating committee, shall be appointed by the President, with concurrence of the Board of Directors. At least one (1) member of the Board of Directors shall be appointed by the President to serve as an ex-officio member of any committee.

Section 2. The nominating committee shall consist of three members and shall be elected by majority vote of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE X: PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Where consistent with the Association Bylaws, the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order* shall govern the Association.

ARTICLE XI: AMENDMENTS

Section 1. The Bylaws may be amended at any Annual Meeting of the Association by a 2/3 vote.

Section 2. Members shall be notified in writing of proposed Bylaws changes at least 30 days prior to the meeting. Notification shall also be provided on the Association webpage.

Section 3. These Bylaws shall be read or mailed to the membership from time to time as deemed advisable by the President or Board of Directors. Current Bylaws shall be available on the Association webpage.

ARTICLE XII: ADDRESS

The Association shall maintain a mailing address as a US post office box in Iron River, Michigan.

ADOPTED: Date August 30, 2008

AMENDED: Date _____