BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
April 14, 2026

The regular meeting of the Lake Elbo Board was held on April 14, 2026, in the Clubhouse. The meeting was called to order by President, Jeff Pishny.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Jeff Pishny - President
Kyle Gordon – Vice President
Brent McKeeman - Treasurer
Lori Moses – Secretary
Jim Lund
Karen Van Vleet
Joel Force

**NOT IN ATTENDANCE:**

RJ Whitlock

**GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE**:

Dean Van Vleet
Emily Kinser
Galen Pelton
Cory and Julie Gilmore
Todd Nicholson
Dave Spunaugle
Rob and Chandra Gordon
Jen Pishny
Chad and Anna Hoepner
Laureli Kitchner
Gwen and Brian Baker
Wendy Matthews
Moni Laue
Kelly Gorton

Minutes of the March 10, 2026 meeting were read by Lori Moses. Brent made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Karen seconded. Motion carried 6/0

Brent read the Treasurer's Reports for March 2026 and April 2026. Karen made a motion to file the March 2026 and April 2026 reports for audit.

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**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Update of Repairs at the Caretaker's House:**

Everything is good to go – no complaints. Brent reported that he installed a freeze/water sensor in the crawl space which will alert Haley if there are problems.

**Update of Lake Water condition (North Channel):**

Brent visited with Dr. Joe Gerkin at Kansas State University as well as sent him photos of the creek and he was not concerned about the area at this time. KSU will continue to do testing and he can now contrast the data. Brent asked Joel if he would want to do the weekly testing at the beach area. Brent made a proposal to spend $300 on test kits. Once they are received, Brent will pass them on to Joel. Joel informed us that Tom Hood will continue to do the testing that he has done in the past. Brent made a motion to spend $300 on test kits. Karen seconded. Motion carried 6/0

**Confirm List of Projects for Spring Workday:**

Work on the items that were mentioned during the March meeting which are listed in the minutes. Anna Hoepner requested that we purchase mulch prior to work day with an estimated cost of $80. Brent will be using the limestone chips to line the worst shoulders around the lake. He asked Mark to bring a mini excavator and skid steer. The large rip rap will be used on Elbo Ridge between the shop and the Rohr residence. Some may be used on the peninsula as well if we have extra. Jeff recommended purchasing new sand for the beach area. Brent will ask Heartland Sand and Gravel for the cost and delivery.

**Operation of Watercraft:**

Joel mentioned that the Lake Elbo Rules and Regulations state that we follow the State of Kansas guidelines, therefore, operators between the ages of 12 and 20 must possess a certificate of completion of an approved boater safety education course. He feels that this needs to be enforced. Jeff will post it on the Lake Elbo Facebook page and the information will also put in the next newsletter.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**New Membership – Kelly Gorton:**

Kelly Gorton presented an application for new membership. He and his wife, Christine, purchased the property located at 5722 Hervey Lane. Brent made a motion to approve said application. Lori seconded. Motion carried 6/0.

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**Building Permit – Kelly Gorton:**

Kelly Gorton submitted a building permit for a fence in the back yard. Brent and Jeff did a site visit and everything is well within the property lines. Brent made a motion to approve the building permit. Jim seconded. Motion carried 6/0

**July 4th Events and Schedule:**

The schedule will pretty much consist of the same events as last year. Events taking place are:

Parade at 1 PM (Harold will be the Grand Marshall)

Jeff Pishny – cardboard boat races

Harold Brooks – fishing derby

Lori Moses – bucket pong

Brent McKeeman – entry bucket and letters asking for donations

Traci Lewis and Dave Spunaugle – pink flamingos

There will be a band that will be open to anyone that wants to attend. The board gave approval to use the clubhouse extension if needed due to rain.

A final schedule of events will be made and put on the Lake Elbo Facebook page as well as in the newsletter.

Brent McKeeman will send out letters asking for donations as well as be in charge of the donation bucket at the entry.

Brent reported that we still have some t-shirts in stock. The board agreed that this is probably a good year to get a new design. Kyle Gordon will come up with a new design and we will contact N-Zone to make the shirts.

**Discussion of Section 1 in the Rules and Regulations (Rental Property):**

A member came to Jeff in regard to clarification on short-term rentals. He asked the board members to look at the verbiage as there is room for clarity. After many questions, comments, and much discussion, Jeff ceased the communication and this is tabled for more discussion at the next meeting.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Carrie Force stated that kids were diving off the dock and she is concerned about personal injury. She asked if "no diving" could be added to the current signage.

Todd Nicholson asked the board for a variance to install a 12" culvert tube, rather than a 16" tube, at the entrance to their new garage. Karen made a motion to allow a variance for a 12" tube. Joel seconded. Motion carried 6/0

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Brent made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 PM. Karen seconded. Motion carried 6/0

The next board meeting will be held May 12, 2026.

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