

LAKE TAPAWINGO NEWS

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CITY COUNCIL REPORT

City increases utility rates, adopts budget

The Board of Aldermen of the city of Lake Tapawingo met June 5 at City Hall. Mayor Tom Rodenberg presided.

Visitors: Zack Barber, 140 Anchor; Jim Conway, 91 Dockside; Jayme Dean, 62 Beach; Kris Hall, 8 Clipper; Clayton Holland, 23 Beach; Scott Johnson, 16 Anchor; Pete McKay, 32 Emerald Shore; Steve Meek, 203 Anchor; Charles Plank, 38 Dockside; Sue Schreiber, 51 Anchor; John Braden, 45 Anchor.

Utility rate public hearing: The City Council passed, 6-0, a motion by Alderman Lisa Hodges to open a public hearing on a proposed utility rate increase.

City Clerk Paul Blixrud presented a proposed increase in utility rates, noting it would be the first since 2019. The increase reflected rising expenses for sewer grinder pumps, maintenance and trash disposal, as well as declining city cash reserves.

The city estimated the monthly bill for an average Lake resident using 4,000 gallons of water a month would increase to \$161.00 from \$148.50, a difference of \$12.50.

Monthly rates per 1,000 gallons:

- Water -- \$3.50, unchanged
- Sewer -- Fixed fee \$10, up from \$9 per 1,000 gallons usage \$2.75, up from \$2.50
- Sewer/Water Maintenance -- Fixed fee \$25, up from \$23
- Overhead -- Fixed fee \$68, up from \$63
- Grinder Pump Maintenance -- Fixed fee \$14, up from \$12
- Trash -- Fixed fee \$19, up from \$17.50
- Non-resident Customer Surcharge -- Fixed fees Water \$25, Sewer \$25; unchanged.

See Council, Page 3.



PAUL, THAT'S ALL -- Friends, neighbors and family gathered June 25 at City Hall to congratulate and thank City Clerk Paul Blixrud on his retirement after 16 years of service to the city.

Fourth of July: Prepare, have fun, be safe

-- **The dam** will be closed to everybody(!) but the fireworks crew on the Fourth of July, beginning at 8 a.m. It will reopen July 5 at 8 a.m. Please plan your routes to accommodate the closure.

-- Keep **roads** clear for firetrucks and other emergency equipment. Have guests park as far off roads as possible. Shuttle visitors from remote parking where possible.

-- The **invasive species** quarantine requires residents must provide guests with all lake use items while they visit Lake Tapawingo. This includes water toys, flotation devices, and of course, any fishing gear.

-- The Sportsmen's Club-sponsored **Boat Parade** will line up at Liberty Landing before the 2 p.m. start time. Water patrol will lead the parade around the lake. All tubing and skiing should pause during the parade and resume when it's over.

-- The Lake Tapawingo **fireworks display** has an estimated start time of between 9 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. July 4. Our experienced shooters plan a spectacular show lasting about 20 minutes. In case of

rain, our show will be moved to Saturday, July 5, with the same estimated start time.

-- See the dam photo on Page 4. **Spectator boats** on the lake during the fireworks show should come no closer than a line from the west point of Railroad Cove to the west point of A Cove. If boats drift closer than that to the dam, the fireworks contractor could halt the display. No pedalboats or unpowered small craft on the main body during the display. No paddle boards on the main body outside the buoys at any time.

-- **Stay in your boat.** No one should exit their boat, or be swimming or floating on the main body at any time before, during or after the display. All boats out after dark must display bow lights of red on the port side and green on the starboard. A white light at the stern should be visible for 360 degrees.

-- When planning **personal fireworks displays**, keep in mind fireworks are not to be detonated from boats, on streets, parks, the lake or property owned by the Country Club. Bottle rockets are prohibited. The police dispatch number is (816) 795-1960. See the Police Department memo, Page 25.



Around the Lake

GET WELL

Jim Clarke, 3 Clipper

BIRTHDAYS

July 1 Carla Seippel, 75 Dockside
Tomi Bellinghausen, 26 Anchor
July 3 Jill Davis, 19 Dockside
July 4 Peggy Holmes, 34 Emerald Shore
July 5 Helen Cloyde, 16 Emerald Shore
July 8 Brett Schreiber, 51 Anchor
July 15 Bernadette Lawson, 207 Anchor
July 21 Susan Stiles, 26 Beach
July 24 Lisa Davis, 133 Dockside
July 25 Linda Powis, 35 Anchor
July 27 LaRue McAlpin, 60 Anchor
July 29 Paula Hight, 3 Anchor
July 30 Judi Kruse, 79 Beach
Niki Pitts, 4 Clipper

CONGRATULATIONS

Harvey and Ruth Moats, 95 Anchor, 60th anniversary, July 17

If you know of anyone who needs a Get Well card, Sympathy, Birthday greetings, Congratulations or Welcome to New Resident, call or text Lisa Davis of the Women's Club at (530) 386-1629.

Invasive species training now on last Saturdays

Regular invasive species training sessions have been moved to the last Saturday of each month. The next one is at 8 a.m. Saturday, July 26, at the Lake Office.

Preregister for training by contacting the Lake Office at **office@laketapawingomo.com** or **(816) 228-3721** to make arrangements.

Training is required before residents may obtain boat registration stickers or dock permits, or use the lake "for any activity." Rules require a member of each household to be retrained every two years.

Because a number of residents had not taken retraining before the end of June, the Lake Board approved a 6-point penalty for those using the lake without the training. Operating a boat without the current registration sticker could result in another 3-point penalty. Accumulation of 9 penalty points results in suspension of Lake privileges for 14 days. More points result in longer suspensions.



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Council OKs budget, tasks new clerk with codes work

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Alderman Steve Magel said in his eight years on the council, the body has talked about utility rate increases twice. He said the city now is spending its reserves as costs, wages and employee benefits are increasing.

Blixrud said the increase was designed to be conservative and cover costs for at least two years, avoiding more substantial increases in the future.

The council passed, 6-0, a motion Magel to close the public hearing and return to the regular meeting.

The council then reviewed the ordinance: Bill 1244, Ordinance 1031: *An Ordinance Amending Chapter 700 of the City Code of the City of Lake Tapawingo, Mo., Regarding the Current Utility Rates to all Customers of Lake Tapawingo, and Setting the Rates Beginning July 2025.*

The council passed, 6-0, a motion by Magel for first and second readings of the ordinance. Blixrud then read it. The council then passed, 6-0, a motion by Magel to give final approval to the ordinance.

City budget: City Clerks Paul Blixrud and Kate Alsup presented a proposed amended budget for fiscal year 2024-2025, ending June 30, 2025. Minor changes were outlined since the previous version, with key adjustments including funds to replace the city Maintenance Building garage door and to repair and line sewer system manholes.

City of Lake Tapawingo Fiscal July 2025 – June 2026 Approved Budget

	Net Budget
General Fund (Admin., Police, Court)	
Total Revenue	\$430,950.00
Total Expenses	436,790.00
General Total	-5,840.00
Sewer Fund	
Total Revenue	384,250.00
Total Expenses	385,090.00
Sewer Total	-840.00
Water Fund (Water Dept. & Water Bond)	
Total Revenue	274,950.00
Total Expenses	274,520.00
Water Total	430.00
Trash Fund	
Total Revenue	90,250.00
Total Expenses	84,000.00
Trash Total	6,250.00
Total Profit/Loss	0.00

After discussion, the council approved, 6-0, a motion by Alderman Steve Magel to approve amending the current year budget.

The clerks and council also discussed the proposed budget for fiscal year 2025-2026. It included more funds for computers and software, anticipating server upgrades. About \$40,000 would be transferred from reserves for garage door replacement and manhole repair. The budget included a gross receipt surcharge (\$47,000) and an estimate of court fine revenue (\$45,000) that was less than previous years, based on recent trends. Some line items, such as the garage doors and server upgrades, lacked precise figures due to ongoing discussions with vendors.

After discussion, the council approved, 6-0, a motion by Alderman Jennifer Weigel to approve the budget.

Codes enforcement: A resolution was proposed to name incoming City Clerk Kate Alsup the building official for codes enforcement, focusing on nuisance abatement. The council discussed separating codes enforcement duties from the police.

Mayor Rodenberg and council members said it would be better to have a customer service -- rather than a law enforcement -- approach to initial contact. The role would involve sending notices, following due process, and potentially working with police for escalated situations.

Alderman Steve Magel said the police department previously has been out in the community, seeing violations. He asked if Alsup was to do that. Rodenberg said, in addition to citizen complaints, it is responsibility of all city officials, including aldermen, to keep an eye on nuisances and that Alsup would handle complaints, notices and administrative procedures.

The council approved, 6-0, a motion by Alderman Jennifer Weigel to adopt Bill 1262, Resolution 90365: *A Resolution Appointing the City Clerk as the Building Official for Purposes of Article II (Nuisance Abatement) of Chapter 220 of the City Code.*

Nuisance abatement. Pete McKay, 32 Emerald Shore, complained that a private attempt to build a road in E Block -- including over another resident's property -- was halted by the city a year and a half ago but nothing has been done to clean it up. He said the same property owner was failing to cut weeds and maintain the property. He also complained about a "junk" trailer and a snowplow parked in D Block. Concerns

were raised regarding slow process of nuisance complaint resolution.

Contractor licensing. Alderman Steve Magel said much building is under way by contractors who lack city licenses. He said the city should require contractors be licensed before a building permit is issued. City Attorney Paul Campo was to review whether that would require an ordinance.

Planning and Zoning Commission: Mayor Rodenberg said members of the Planning and Zoning Commission suggested increasing its members to seven from five. Rodenberg said he did not think the city should do so, noting the difficulty of finding volunteers.

Alderman Steve Magel said the commission is a small body requiring only three to make a quorum. He said to increase the number the council would have to adopt an ordinance. City Attorney Paul Campo said he would not recommend increasing the number unless the council polls residents to see if there was interest in volunteering.

Council members decided to revisit the issue at the next meeting with a list of potential candidates and a draft ordinance from the city attorney.

Water and Sewer: Mayor Rodenberg updated the sewer manhole replacement project, saying three contractors estimated the cost at more than \$40,000 for a single manhole, with potential additional costs for lining. Rodenberg said he hoped to obtain a quote from David Beemer, 23 Anchor, who previously worked on the manholes.

Utility street cuts. Country Club Board President Clayton Holland urged the council to improve the city's restoration of cuts it makes in the Country Club-owned roads for utility work. He noted there is a city ordinance that sets requirements for patching the cuts that the city fails to follow.

Holland said Spire gas service does proper repairs. He said either the city needs to make proper repairs or the Country Club will have to do so and bill the city.

Alderman Steve Magel asked Holland for a list of cuts to be repaired. Both said the city's plumbing contractor needs to comply.

Backyard chickens: Steve Meek, 203 Anchor, who proposed an ordinance to allow residents to raise chickens in certain circumstances, noted the city Planning and

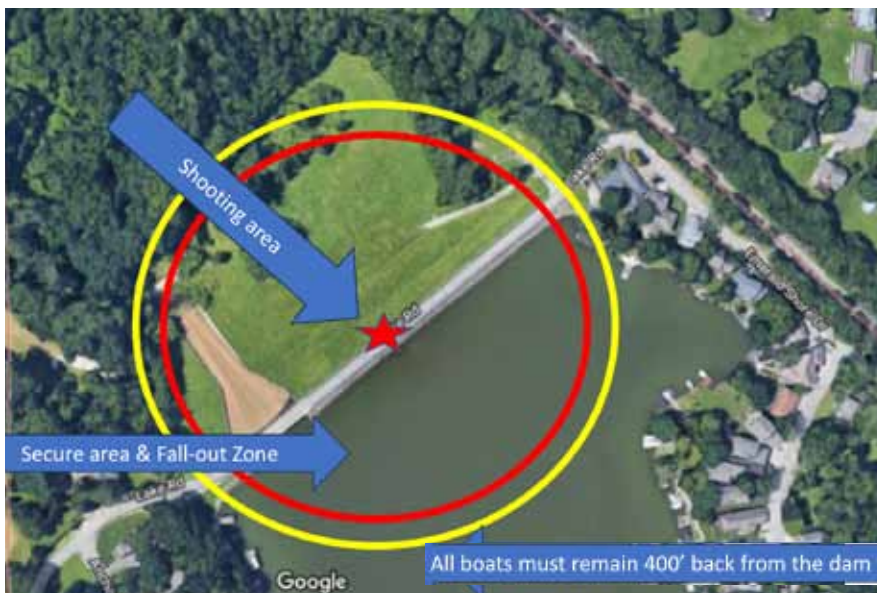
See Bulky, Page 5.



Fourth of July alert!

See the aerial photo of the dam showing the fireworks display debris buffer zone. Spectator boats must stay behind a line running from the west point of Railroad Cove to the west point of A Cove. If boats motor or drift closer to than that to the dam, the fireworks contractor could halt the display due to insurance company safety requirements. No pedalboats or other unpowered small craft on the main body during the display.

The dam will be closed to all vehicle and foot traffic from 8 a.m. July 4 until 8 a.m. July 5, keeping the area clear for set-up, discharge and cleanup of the fireworks display. Residents may not walk or jog across the dam or stop to visit with the fireworks crew.



Happy Birthday, Lake Tapawingo

The years roll on ...

In July of 1926, the group of Kansas City businessmen who formed the Lake Tapawingo Development Company signed and registered the papers that officially created the community of Lake Tapawingo.

TAPAWINGO is an Indian word meaning either “beautiful water” or “beautiful place,” depending upon the interpretation of the particular tribe.

The developers built the dam and the dirt roads, dug out the coves, established water works behind the dam and extended electrical connections. They advertised Lake Tapawingo as an “exclusive sports retreat and rest haven built on 315 beautiful rolling wooded acres.” The lake was to be one and one-half miles long and one-fourth to one-half mile wide with a water depth of 2 to 60 feet and a shoreline of four and one-half miles. The people of Kansas City responded, lots were sold and cottages built as summer vacation homes. Later, the coves were extended to enable more lots to be sold. At one time, there was a diving board in C Cove.

When the Development Company found itself in financial trouble, the community created the Country Club, which assessed fees for the upkeep of the lake.

During the Depression in the ‘30s, the Works Progress Administration (WPA) put in the blacktopped roads. At some time, the water works were dismantled and the Lake was hooked up to Water District No. 8. In the ‘60s, gas lines were laid making possible removal of unsightly fuel tanks.

In 1962, the City of Lake Tapawingo was formed in order to prevent annexation by either Blue Springs or Independence.



LAKE TAPAWINGO
JULY 26, 1926

Thus, at the present time, the Development Company, the Country Club, and the City share the responsibilities of “running” the Lake community.

In 1926, the first house was built. At this time, there are more than 360 houses at the Lake. For many years, all the houses were summer vacation homes. Now a summer home is a rarity. What remains the same are the swimming, boating, fishing, water skiing and ice skating.

Note: The above article was repeated for the benefit of new residents every year in the Lake Tapawingo News when the newsletter was operated by the Lake Tapawingo Women's Club. That tradition continues now. We add that the Development Company was merged with the Country Club in 2002, leaving only the Country Club and the City “running” the Lake. We are indebted to Ruth Baldwin, formerly of 156 Anchor Drive, who did the research and wrote the article. Ruth died in 1997 and is missed by all who knew her.



MAYOR'S MINUTES

July utility bills to reflect increase; codes work starts

By Mayor Tom Rodenberg

At the June Board of Aldermen meeting, the board unanimously approved an increase in the utility rates. The overall increase will be \$12 per month which you will see on your July utility bill.

The rates had not been increased since 2018. At the same time, the cost to the city of purchasing our utilities and maintaining those utilities has been increasing. It was just not feasible to continue without some increase in the rates.

As you may have heard, the city's efforts on codes enforcement have begun. Thanks very much to those who received a notice of violation who responded by correcting the violations. We greatly appreciate the spirit of cooperation.

We realize this is not a welcome effort for some. However, it is very important to the appearance and even health of our community to approach enforcing our codes. We will continue this effort in the coming months. Please bear with us as we pursue this process.

Fireworks ordinance sets hours, responsibility

With the Fourth of July just around the corner, this is my annual reminder to please enjoy your holiday safely. And also remember the city has an ordinance on discharging fireworks.

Bulky Trash Days; Blixrud retires

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Zoning Commission referred the proposal with some changes, without recommendation, to the council on June 4. He asked if the council would consider it at its July 3 meeting. Alderman Steve Magel said it would depend on a recommendation by the city attorney and there would need to be a public hearing.

Bulky Trash Days: The annual Bulky Trash Days was confirmed for June 24-26 when four large dumpsters were to be placed at City Hall by GFL Environmental. Country Club Board President Clayton Holland noted the Lake Board voted to donate \$500 to support the cost of dumpsters.

Clerk Blixrud retirement: Mayor Rodenberg recognized this was the last City Council meeting before retirement of City Clerk Paul Blixrud. He noted Blixrud only missed one meeting, when he had back surgery, but still attended with a walker long enough to inaugurate newly elected aldermen.

Official city minutes may be read at City Hall.

Drinking water report available

The city of Lake Tapawingo announced the latest Consumer Confidence Report on local drinking water quality is available from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources.

The 2024 Annual Water Quality Report provides the most recent analysis of city water supply, which is bought from Independence. The report lists contaminant levels and says the water supplier had no violations of drinking water regulations.

The report may be obtained on the Internet at www.dnr.mo.gov/ccr/MO1010980.pdf. A printed copy may be obtained from City Hall by calling (816) 229-3722.

Ordinance 210.070 provides "Fireworks will be permitted only between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. on [July 1, 2 and 3], except on July 4 they will be permitted from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 midnight."

Of particular note is a provision that states "Any person who is the owner in possession, a tenant or subtenant, or has temporary control of any residence or premises shall be responsible for any violation of this section that occurs on said property..."

If you have rental property, you could be responsible for any violation of the ordinance that occurs on your rental property. Please inform tenants or others occupying the property of the city's fireworks restrictions. This will make the Fourth even better.

Please take the time to review this ordinance. You can find all the city codes by going on the Internet to the city's website, www.laketapawingo.org. Near the bottom of the homepage, under "I Want to..." is "Find City Codes." Copy the link there and paste it into your Internet browser to read the codes. The link is <https://ecode360.com/LA3341>.

Have a very safe and fun July Fourth! And thanks very much to those responsible for our Fourth fireworks!

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Check Lake Rules for boating etiquette

By President Clayton Holland

Happy Fourth, Lake Tapawingo! I hope everyone is having an awesome summer. It's been great seeing so many residents boating, swimming and tubing. Weather permitting, our annual fireworks extravaganza will be on July 4 at sundown.



With summer in full swing and the upcoming holiday weekend, I want to take this opportunity to remind everyone the lake will be quite busy at times and it's important for everyone's

safety for all boaters to be familiar with and follow the Lake Tapawingo rules and regulations for watercraft. If you need a copy of the rules, please contact the Country Club office for a copy.

I've also been asked by some concerned residents to address an issue of "plowing." Plowing occurs when a boat is above no-wake speed but not planed or trimmed out causing excessive wakes (usually bow high) and in turn causing waves to crash into and potentially cause damage to docks in the main channel.

On a more positive note, don't forget to stop by the

Lake Tapawingo fireworks stand. A big thank you to the Sportsmen's Club for having this available to us every year. It's a great way to support the Lake, get your personal fireworks and chat with your neighbors. Be on the lookout for an announcement by the Sportsmen's Club regarding dates and times of operation.

In closing, as we prepare to celebrate our country's Independence Day, let's take a minute to think of our troops, both at home and abroad, whose sacrifice make our celebrations possible.



No Lake privileges June 2025

The Lake Board lists the following property owners or tenants who do not have Lake privileges as of June 20. Lake privileges include use of the lake for any purpose as well as all common space such as Liberty Gardens, boat lots, tennis courts, the Clubhouse and shelterhouses.

11-A	McDonald	96-B	Tadlock
43-A	Charlton	169-B	Radford
112-A	Dyer	25-C	Beel
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Mark grew up in Lake Tapawingo at 2-D.
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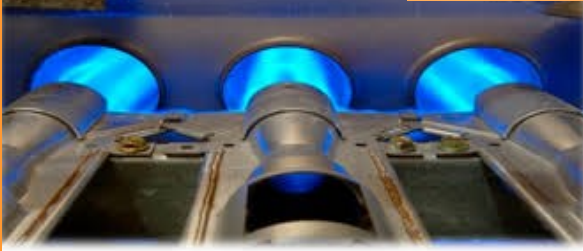




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COUNTRY CLUB BOARD REPORT

Boaters kick off season with multiple violations

The Lake Tapawingo Country Club Board of Directors met June 2 and 16 at the Clubhouse. President Clayton Holland presided.

Visitors: Ty Francis, 3 Emerald Shore; Kris Hall, 8 Clipper; Kevin Hornick, 7 Anchor; Scott Johnson, 16 Anchor; Beth Kreiling, 56 Beach; Pete McKay, 32 Emerald Shore; Charles Plank, 38 Dockside; Dane and Jamie Presler, 41 Beach; Rita Rainey, 107 Anchor; Linda Sangster, 28 Dockside; John Braden, 45 Anchor.

Fourth of July celebration: President Holland said Maintenance Coordinator Matt Kempf would not be working on July 4, but Holland and Maintenance helper Dan Rowe would place dam closing signs and clean up after the fireworks display.

Board Member Jayme Dean asked the *Lake Tapawingo News* to remind that no one can be on the dam during fireworks set up. Holland said he would seek police patrols.

Water Patrol: Board Member Jayme Dean said the Memorial Day weekend did not have great weather but was a successful first

weekend for Water Patrol. She said multiple boating violations were observed including operation with no stickers, power boats going the wrong way, operators standing while moving, and a lot of lake use by residents without invasive species training.

Dean said the Flag Day/Father's Day weekend was busy with many dangerous boating violations. She said there was a lot of towing without flags, towing with the wrong flags, standing while driving with a wake, and a lot of no wake violations after 8 p.m. She said someone was even towing a tube after 8 p.m. Dean said several people were pulled over by Water Patrol and multiple citations were issued.

The board passed, 10-0, a motion by Dean to replace both patrol boat canopies at \$144 each, the broken seat on the pontoon boat at \$209.99 and the patrol's cracked gas can at \$85 for a total of \$583.

Board Member Brian Hodges asked if the Water Patrol pontoon boat was taking on water as it rides very low in the water. President Holland said they have pulled the boat from the water multiple times to check and can never find any leaks. Dean also advised the pontoon is having starter issues.

Lake Environment: Invasive species training. Board Member Brian Smith asked if another reminder should be sent to residents who have not attended invasive species training that they have no Lake privileges. Office Administrator Cassandra Marcotte said she sent a reminder to 140 residents who had not attended classes the month prior. As of late June, 56 were still untrained though a class was set June 28.

Board Member Jayme Dean said residents have been reminded and need to take the class or lose Lake privileges. Board Member Shawn Weigel asked if the board can automatically assign points to those who have not taken the class. President Holland said only those who use the lake without the training are eligible to receive points.

Smith asked Marcotte if all new residents and renters have been trained. She said yes and that the majority of the residents still on the list for training are all residents who have lived at the Lake since before the COVID pandemic.

Dean moved that any resident seen by a board member using the lake without invasive species training will receive 6

See B Cove, Page 11.

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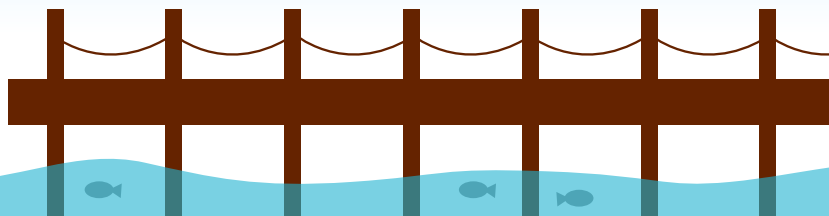
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B Cove algae treated; non-Lake driveways surveyed

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penalty points. Board Member John Nicol suggested sending another letter to residents advising of the automatic points if caught. President Holland agreed, saying residents must be informed of the seriousness of the matter. Dean's motion was approved, 13-0.

Lake water testing. Board Member Renny Buckaloo reported the latest lake water testing found all levels look good.

B Cove algae treatment. Buckaloo said he was informed May 29 of an algae concern in the inflow pool of B Cove just below the spillway. He said the congested, shallow area had become a stagnant pool because a dock appears to have dammed flow that would wash the algae further into the lake to be broken down. He said he contacted Blue Valley Labs but the damming dock should be moved farther out into the cove to prevent further growth.

The board approved, 13-0, a motion by Buckaloo to treat the area with guidance from Blue Valley. President Holland said the Docks and Waterfront subcommittee should contact the dock owner.

At the subsequent meeting, Buckaloo said Blue Valley treated the area, which now looks better.

Water weed spraying. Buckaloo said spraying the shore for water weeds should start at the end of the week of June 16.

Real Estate: Property surveys. Board Member Jayme Dean said there are four non-Lake Tapawingo properties with driveways that cross Country Club land without an easement agreement. She said two driveways are located at the pasture beside 1 Anchor, one of them being a concrete driveway. The other three driveways are located at 5101 SW Tapawingo Lane, 267 SW Tapawingo Lane, and 125 ½ Beach.

Dean said surveys of the sites should be completed to allow easements to be filed with Jackson County so the board can charge users a road usage fee. She said none of the properties pay fees as they are not billed an annual assessment.

Dean said it could take four to six weeks to complete the surveys and the users are aware of the impending fees. Dean said surveys would cost about \$7,000 and that J&J Survey is the only company that will survey properties at the Lake.

Board Member John Nicol said one of the properties has had access for 70 years

and is entitled to easement by necessity so the property isn't land locked. He asked for the proposal to be referred to the Country Club's attorneys. President Holland said the attorneys were consulted and this is a known process that was advised.

Board Member T.J. McGinnis asked how long it would take to recover the \$7,000 expense. Dean said the goal isn't to recover the expense but to establish ownership of the land. President Holland said recovery would be about \$250 per year.

Board Member Andy Gibler asked if there was a legal benefit to having the surveys. Board Member Sarah Jordan said it would be to define Country Club property so someone cannot arbitrarily use it. John Braden said it would prevent people from attempting to gain ownership of the property under the doctrine of adverse possession.

Nicol said the Lake roads have never been surveyed and were established in 1936 by easement. He said they were measured 12.5 feet from a centerline to each edge, creating the 25-foot-wide road.

Board Member Darren Davis said an attempt to measure and file the property with Jackson Country did not work because the

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Mortgage Rates Creep Lower

Mortgage rates moved a little lower in June, with the average 30-year fixed rate reaching a four-week low. More available inventory to choose from, coupled with this June's small decline in mortgage rates, could be the spark to get potential homebuyers off the sidelines.

HOME STATS FOR LAKE TAPAWINGO

9 Active Listings
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Average price of 2 Homes SOLD \$391,950





Aging tree losses add up, raising concern for replantings

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county does not recognize it as the Country Club's land without an official survey.

The board passed, 7-6, Dean's motion to hire J&J Surveys to complete surveys of the properties.

Maintenance: Tree trimming, removal.

Board Member Brian Smith said Monster Tree Service submitted eight separate bids for tree work around the Lake:

- **144-A:** Next to Police Department. Remove, \$2,460;
- **10-B:** On lakefront. Remove, \$3,936;
- **34-B:** On lakefront. Remove, \$3,321;
- **13-D:** On lakefront. Remove by water, \$4,551;
- **42-E:** At corner of the lot closest to the road. Rejuvenation pruning, \$861;
- **7-E:** Across the street from 7-E. Remove, \$738;
- **12-A:** Two on lakefront. Remove, \$6,642;
- **19-E:** Four on lakefront. Two remove, two structural prunings, one borer treatment, \$5,887.50.

Smith said in total the tree service will cost \$28,396.50. He said that would increase the total spent on trees to about \$45,000 for the year so far. Smith moved to approve all of the tree work.

Smith said Monster would present bills for the tree work as it is performed over the next few months. He said all trees needing removal are dead and cannot be postponed.

Board Member T.J. McGinnis asked if \$11,000 in the designated fund for trees could be used. Treasurer Brian Zoller said technically it could but everything comes out of the same bank account. President Holland said it would be the most logical option if needed. Motion approved, 13-0.

Smith said the Country Club is losing trees at an alarming rate. He said the board should encourage residents to plant trees and perhaps start a tree program that would split the cost with residents.

Buoy placement. Board Member Jayme Dean said a buoy at 59-A needs to be moved back into place. Board Member Brian Smith said he and Maintenance Coordinator Matt Kempf would do it.

Charlie Plank, 38 Dockside, said a buoy at 38-D was damaged by a boater again. President Holland said there are still a few new buoys that need to be placed and he is aware that buoys are being damaged.

Smith suggested placing a rubber ball buoy with a solar light at 38-D. He said he

might soon bring the new style buoy to the board for approval. Smith said once the Fiberglas on a traditional can buoy cracks, it fills with water and then sinks. He said the new ball buoy is smaller than the red and white ones now deployed as a test.

Lakefront hazard. Charlie Plank said he found two large beams under water where an old boatlift used to be located near his 38-D dock. He said he does not know who put them there but asks they be removed. Board Member Scott Patton said he would contact Kempf about removal.

Legal: President Holland said charges have been filed and a summons issued for the damage to Country Club property near 14 Dockside. He said he could not speak any further on the subject as it is now a legal matter.

Bulky Trash Days: President Holland said the city's trash contractor was to place four dumpsters at City Hall from June 24-26 to be used by residents for Bulky Trash Days. He said in the past the Country Club had donated up to \$500 to the city toward the project. The board passed, 12-1, a motion by Board Member Shawn Weigel to donate \$500 to contribute to dumpster rental.

Parks and Beautification: Pickleball Courts.

Board Member T.J. McGinnis said Dennis Reed, 36 Dockside, asked to install solar lights at the pickleball courts. McGinnis said a previous trial of lights was approved but the applicant did not follow through. McGinnis moved to approve solar lights being installed at the courts with a control switch available and a rule that all lights must be shut off by 10 p.m.

Board Member Andy Gibler asked if the resident installing the lights would be the only one with access to the control switch. McGinnis said yes. Board Member Sarah Jordan asked if there was a way the switch could be installed at the court or a timer set on it. Board Member Brian Hodges said everyone should have access to the switch.

Board Member Brian Smith said when the previous lighting proposal was approved, light descriptions and a full plan of installation were provided. He said if the glass for the lights breaks or it falls on someone, then the Country Club would be liable. Smith requested a more detailed plan.

McGinnis asked if board members would be satisfied if he told them it would

be no more than four lights. Smith said no, because there is no description of what type of lights, how big they are, how bright they are, etc. Board Member Scott Patton said the courts are Country Club property and the board should put up the lights and control them, adding the expense cannot be that large. Motion failed, 3-8 with 2 abstentions.

Liberty Gardens landscape

maintenance. Board Member Darren Davis said Steve Robinson, 48 Dockside, proposed to do landscape maintenance of Liberty Gardens flower beds again this year, excluding rose bushes. He said Robinson, who was paid \$500 per month last year, asked \$300 a month to maintain the area for June, July and August.

The board passed, 13-0, a motion by Davis to pay Robinson \$300 a month for the work in June, July and August.

Board Member T.J. McGinnis asked if there was a plan to maintain the U.S. 40 gate and roses at Liberty Gardens. Board Member Jayme Dean said the board could hire a company. President Holland said he would check the Maintenance Department and that volunteers also might be recruited. Davis said he would care for the roses at Liberty Gardens free of charge.

Clubhouse: Board Member T.J. McGinnis said a Clubhouse renter recently had an excessive number of cars parked on both sides of the road, violating ordinances and in the grass. He asked if a parking map could inform renters whether the Clubhouse would be appropriate for larger gatherings.

Board Member Jayme Dean said there is a map in the office. She said the rental contract states the renter must provide signage for appropriate places to park.

Docks and Waterfront: 2-A.

Board Member Mike Stiles presented an application from Cynthia Bennett, 2 Anchor, to repair the 2-A dock ramp. He said cable used to attach the dock to the rock wall has become a mess and detached. Stiles said contractor Chad Eickleberry is to pour new concrete to reattach the dock on a wall that is out of the water. He said the repair does not constitute seawall repair so an application and board vote are not needed.

56-A. Board Member Darren Davis said Nick Jacobson, 54 Anchor, who is building a house at 56 Anchor, applied to

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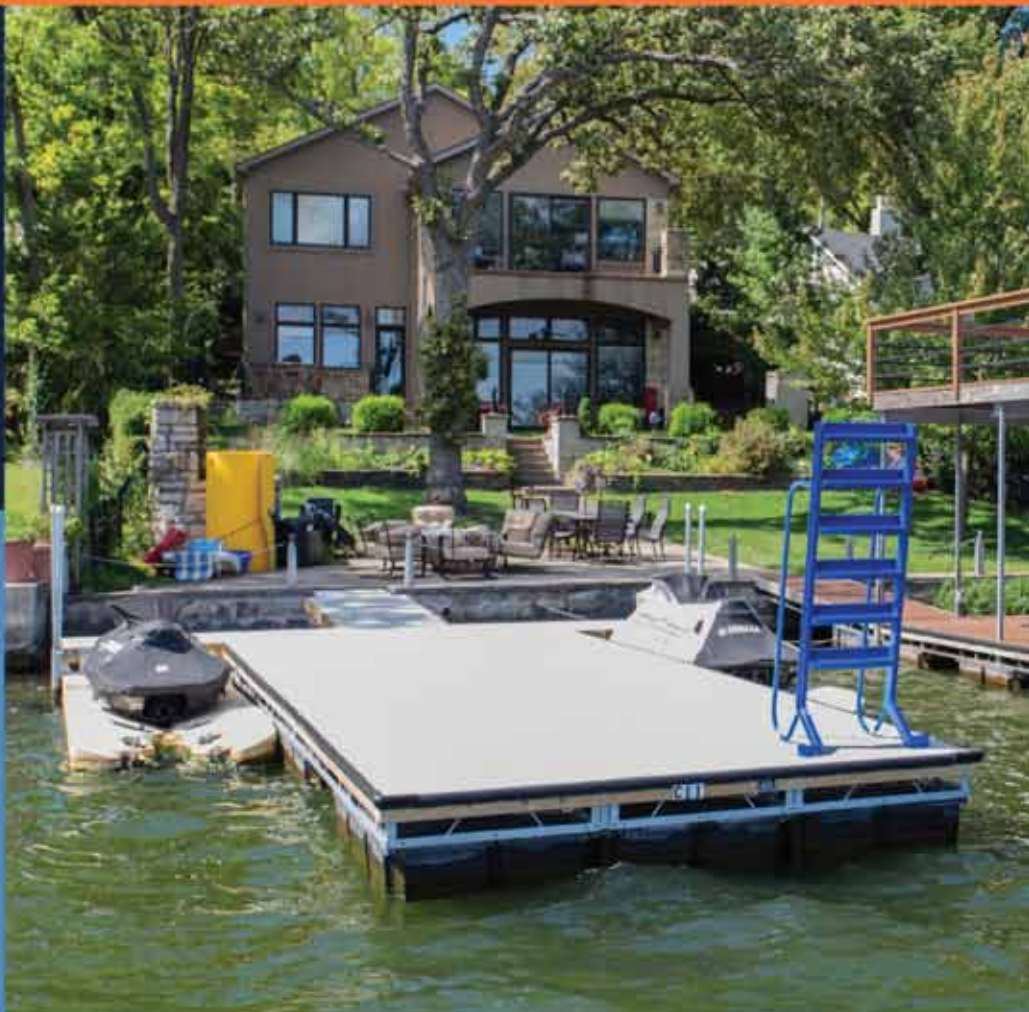


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Board weighs placement of seawall at new home site

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build a seawall at 56-A with large stone blocks of the same height as the adjoining seawall. He said Jacobson's property line extends into the lake on part of the shoreline and he sought to build the seawall partly within the lake, where his property line is, and backfill the gap in between.

Board Member Jayme Dean said Lake Rules declare seawall construction cannot change the original shoreline nor extend the land or construction material permanently into the lake more than 12 inches from the existing shoreline. Davis asked if that rule was for Country Club property or did it also apply to private property. Board Member Sarah Jordan said the rules state you cannot change the natural shoreline, regardless of who owns the underlying property.

Dean said the rule that a house must be granted a certificate of occupancy before dock work does not prevent Jacobson from building the seawall, but the house must be completed before a dock may be granted. Board Member Andy Gibler said in the meantime, another property owner could apply to put a dock in that spot.

President Holland said the main issue was the shoreline cannot change, regardless of where the property line is.

Dean said Jacobson cannot receive a

permit to extend the seawall into the lake and, without a permit, the board cannot make a decision on materials being used. Davis said the next phase of the project would be to build a seawall on the remaining shoreline that is Country Club property.

At the subsequent meeting, Davis presented an application from Jacobson to build the seawall 115 feet long, connected to the existing wall at 54-A, using two rows of large stacked limestone that follow the shoreline. Davis said gravel backfill would be behind the seawall with gabion stone on top of fabric to prevent erosion. He said Jacobson provided a survey showing his property line out into the water and an illustration of the project when complete.

Davis moved to approve the seawall and said he advised Jacobson to contact the city for separate permits for a retaining wall that he proposes for his own property.

Dean said when the seawall was discussed at the previous meeting, Jacobson wanted to build part of the wall beyond the shoreline because his property line extends into the lake. Board Member Brian Hodges said Jacobson had since changed his plans and was now following the natural shoreline.

Board Member Brian Smith asked if a proposed patio would be near an existing stone barbecue grill on the Country Club

lakefront. Board Member Mike Stiles said the patio would be in a different location on Jacobson's property near the retaining wall. Smith asked if Jacobson planned to attach his dock near the patio. Davis said due to shallow water, Jacobson is expected to request a dock space farther toward the main body of the lake. Motion approved, 10-0.

102-A. Board Member Brian Zoller again presented an application from Board Member Scott Patton to upgrade his dock at 102-A to encapsulated foam, add a cover to his boatlift, and reposition the dock anchors. Board Member Shawn Weigel said he measured the water depth and the shoreline side of the dock is just short of 2 feet deep. He said the dock measured 37 feet, 3 inches in length. Weigel said a neighbor's dock extends a little farther from the shore.

Zoller revised his previous motion to allow approval of the existing dimensions due to shallow water depth. Board Member Brian Smith said the board does not approve docks over 30 feet long. He asked if the dock can be shortened to 30 feet, suggesting a 16-foot ramp and a 14-foot dock. Board Member Jayme Dean said the rules state the dock cannot exceed 30 feet in length.

Board Member Dan Via asked how long the dock has been that long. Patton said

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Board questions whether to retain overlength dock

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it was like that when he moved in. Dean said the extension occurred in 2021 according to satellite images. Patton said the board is asking him to change something that was already there and he is only asking to put encapsulated foam under it.

President Holland said Patton could get within 30 feet by shortening the dock. Patton said he would have to build a new dock and incur the expense. Holland said if the previous ramp extension had been done through the proper approval process this would not be an issue.

Patton said if he shortened the ramp then he would be back in shallow water. He said he had a 4-foot by 8-foot ramp when he moved in and received permission from a previous board to lengthen it.

Holland said the Country Club has set rules that all residents must abide by. Weigel said if Patton moved the boatlift to the end of the dock after shortening the ramp, he would have sufficient water depth. Patton said if he shortened the ramp the required 7 feet, the water would be about a foot deep.

President Holland said shortening the dock would be the best course of action. Zoller withdrew his motion.

Dean asked if the Docks and Waterfront subcommittee could measure what the depth would be at 6 feet closer to the seawall. President Holland said Weigel and Zoller would measure the dock together and come up with a plan to reduce it to 30 feet.

Patton said the dock next to his is 38 feet long. President Holland said the board was not discussing the neighboring dock, only Patton's. He added previous

boards did not have to deal with the current board's legal situation, which requires it to avoid "special permits."

41-B. Board Member Brian Zoller presented an application from Dane and Jamie Presler, 41 Beach, to replace their 41-D dock, which will be pulled onto land and dismantled. Zoller said the new 10-foot-wide by 25-foot-long dock will have the same footprint as the old dock, with 15 feet of space on one side and 21 feet on the other. The board passed, 10-0, Zoller's motion to approve the application.

56-B. Board Member Brian Zoller presented an application from Troy and Beth Kreiling, 56 Beach, to replace old foam with encapsulated foam and replace deck boards on the 56-B dock. He said the dock footprint would not change. He said quarantine will be observed. Zoller moved to approve the application. Board Member Jayme Dean said since the board is not requiring a permit to replace the foam and the replacement of deck boards is not more than 50 percent of the dock, no vote is needed.

79-B. Board Member Shawn Weigel presented an application from Tony McCarthy, 79 Beach, to replace his dock and ramp at 79-B with a new dock and ramp of the same measurements. He said he also wants to replace flotation with encapsulated foam. The board passed, 13-0, a motion by Weigel to approve. Board Member Brian Zoller said Williams Lakefront Construction is aware of the assigned location of the dock while neighboring docks are being moved temporarily due to lakefront work.

93-B. Board Member Brian Zoller presented an application from Amy

Stetzler, 93 Beach, for a new dock and foam replacement at 93-B. He said Stetzler purchased the dock from 52-D and Williams Lakefront Construction is to move it.

Zoller said all measurements conform to the rules for a new dock and the homeowner would dismantle the old dock on site. The board passed, 10-0, a motion by Zoller to approve the application with the condition the old dock be dismantled and removed before the new dock is installed.

30-D. Board Member Brian Zoller presented an application from Hap Graff, 30 Dockside, to replace a boatlift at 30-D with a new one. He said all measurements of the new lift are the same as the old one. He said there is plenty of space and moved to approve the application.

Board Member Brian Smith asked how many feet it was to the neighboring dock on the side where the boat lift was going to be installed. Zoller said Board Member Shawn Weigel measured and said there was up to 38 feet. Smith asked that a condition be made that there is at least 15 feet or more. Motion approved, 9-0 with 1 abstention.

160-D. Board Member Darren Davis presented an application from Kasey and Kalyca West at 160 Dockside for a 160-D dock space for a swim dock. He said the application has an old drawing from the owner and an updated drawing from contractor Randy Gregory. Davis said the proposed space is in front of 22-D with 40 feet between neighboring docks. He said he needs to verify measurements because he thought it was supposed to be 8 to 10 feet wide but the new drawing says 12 feet.

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Pathway issues: fixing location and utility pole placement

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Davis asked if the board wanted to vote on the application now with a condition the dock can only be 8 to 10 feet in width or present at the next meeting a new drawing meeting those measurements. Board Member Andy Gibler said to present the application again with the correct measurements. Board Member Brian Smith said if they are requesting a 30-foot-long dock then the Docks and Waterfront subcommittee needs to measure water depth. President Holland said the depth needed to be checked at 25 feet from the shoreline. He said this is the fourth time this application has been presented without a vote.

Board Member Jayme Dean asked if the board could at least vote to approve the space and not the dock. The board passed, 10-0, a motion by Davis to approve the dock space in front of 22-D.

50-E. Board Member Mike Stiles presented an application from Ray Hubbard, 191 Anchor, to relocate the 191-A dock and boatlift to the dock space of his new residence at 50-E. He said the current 8-foot-wide dock at 50-E will be disposed of.

Stiles said there is a pathway directly in front of the location of 50-E. He said there is 35 feet of space between the neighboring dock and the existing 8-foot-wide dock so the new 12-foot-wide dock and 10-foot-wide lift from 191-A would have sufficient clearance between the new lift and neighboring dock.

The board passed, 10-0, a motion by Stiles to approve, effective after Hubbard takes possession of 50 Emerald Shore.

191-A. Board Member Brian Smith said transfer of the 191-A dock to 50-E would leave an empty dock space in the area of the 191-A dock. Board Member Mike Stiles said if the board could remove an old boatlift in the area, which was left after sale of 64-A, there would be three spots available. Stiles said there is nothing on the old deed of 64-A stating the boatlift belongs to the new owner.

President Holland asked if board members want to remove the lift to make more dock spaces. Smith said Maintenance Coordinator Matt Kempf would be busy for a month. John Braden said it is a sailboat lift.

Roads, Easements and Pathways: 89-D.

Board Member Brian Zoller, who lives at 87-D, said the Country Club owns 88-D and he owns 89-D. He said while approving an

easement for Every to run electricity to the tier behind him, he was presented a survey of his property that shows the Country Club pathway on the east side of 89-D, while the pathway pole is on the west side of his lot.

Zoller said that caused him to look into it and find in 1984 the Country Club moved the pathway from the west side of 89-D to the east side with the permission of a previous owner. He said the switch does not make sense now as there is a pathway on the tier behind him that would line up with the original pathway on 89-D if it were on the west side. Zoller said there is a pathway post to mark the pathway but it is located on the west side, not the east where the paperwork says the pathway is supposed to be.

Zoller asked the board either to trade the pathway to the west side on paper or move the post to the east side so that everything is as documented.

Board Member Brian Smith asked if 89-D is buildable. Zoller said it is, and the previous owner gave 10 feet on the east side of the lot to the Country Club for the pathway. Smith asked if relocating the pathway would create any issues with 91-D or if it would just be a legal description swap. Zoller said no issues would be caused.

President Holland said it is up to the board whether to swap the pathway location. Board Member Andy Gibler said if the board does the swap, it does not have to do anything. He said if they don't swap, they need to move the post to the east side to mark the correct pathway. Holland said the way it is now, if the Country Club were to sell the property behind the pathway on the next tier, the pathway would be a dead end. John Braden said the board historically has said it doesn't move pathways except it would cite this one instance.

Gibler said right now the board does not have a continuous path and if they revert to how the pathway is actually marked no posts would need to be moved. Gibler moved to approve the legal description swap of 10 feet on lot 88-D from east of 89-D to west to make a continuous pathway as reflected by the existing posts. President Holland asked who would bear the financial cost of the change. Zoller said he would pay to have the documents prepared and recorded. Approved, 9-0 with 1 abstention.

Utility pole encroachment. Rita Rainey, 107 Anchor, said Every has contracted to replace 32 utility poles around the Lake. She said at the east intersection of

Anchor Drive and Anchor Circle Every has placed a pole on first tier that is restricting the pathway down to the lake, between 60 and 61 Anchor. She said there were other places to put the pole where it would not impede the pathway but she said it looks like they took the path of least resistance.

Rainey said the installer is cutting old poles and leaving the base once the new pole is installed. She said the Country Club does not want 32 half poles around the Lake and new poles in pathways. She said they install them quickly, marking where the pole is to go on a Tuesday, laying it on a Thursday, and then placing it on a Friday.

Board Member Mike Stiles said the new pole is not at the edge of the 60/61-A pathway but in it. He said a flowerbed on the east side defines the pathway and the pole is outside the bed. He said the pole narrowed pathway access from 10 feet to about 6 feet.

Board Member Jayme Dean asked if the board accepted the situation and if equipment could go down the pathway unhindered. Stiles said no, there is a block wall on the west side that would prevent equipment from going around the pole. He said the wall would need to be removed and the ground leveled to fit equipment down.

Board Member Scott Patton said he contacted the contractors doing the work. He said the place the pole was set is the same place he would have chosen. Patton said the pole is encroaching but the wall could be moved to accommodate. Dean asked why the Country Club should assume the expense of removing the wall and leveling the ground because of Every's encroachment on Country Club property. Patton said he thinks he can get an Every restoration crew to fix the issue.

Concerning the stub poles, Patton said if there are any other lines not belonging to Every on the pole, Every will leave them attached to the pole if it would take longer than 30 minutes to move the wires to the new pole. Patton said they will notify the other companies to transfer their lines and at that time Every will remove the poles. Stiles said there is a pole in front of his house that did not get stripped by the other companies until he called Comcast and AT&T. He said currently the old empty pole is still there but he was informed when there are more than just the one pole to be removed, Every will send a crew to remove them all.

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Planning panel sends unhatched chicken plan to council

By John Braden

The city Planning and Zoning Commission made a final review June 4 of the terms for a proposed ordinance to allow backyard chickens in certain circumstances and agreed to send it to the City Council without recommendation.

Without an actual vote, commission members agreed to send the draft terms to the council in the form of its meeting minutes from the June 4 meeting once they were drafted by Chairman Gary Mallen. The minutes also said members agreed the City Council would determine if a public hearing should be convened.

Steve Meek, 203 Anchor, submitted the original proposal to allow residents with sufficient space on their lots to keep a maximum of six hens on their property, with the city to regulate them for potential nuisance as well as sanitation and welfare of the birds.

The commission made a few modifications to the proposal and stated in the minutes: "The commission recommends that IF (emphasis included) the City Council decides to issue permits, it be done under the following guidelines."

The commission included a requirement that chicken coops not be allowed on the Lake's first tier, that coops be restricted to a maximum of 4 by 8 feet and that the annual permit fee be \$50. (Meek had proposed \$25.)

Some of the other provisions of Meek's proposal included:
-- A maximum of six hens allowed; no roosters.

-- Coops must be at least 25 feet from any property line and 50 feet from any neighboring residence and in back yards only.

-- Coops must be predator-proof, well-ventilated and water tight. Runs must be fenced, kept clean and provide at least 4 square feet per chicken.

Panel recommends carport size limit

Commission members, also without a vote, recommended to the council a revised Ordinance 400-1.40.9 defining a carport. The language in the June 4 meeting minutes, drafted by Commission Member Andy Gibler and modified by the panel, notably would limit a carport to a maximum of two motor vehicles and maximum size of 20 feet wide by 24 feet long, with a vehicle entry opening of a maximum 10 feet high.

Similar to the existing ordinance, the new language would define a carport as a structure without doors or sides consisting of a roof supported by only enough vertical load-bearing columns as reasonably necessary. It would eliminate existing language that says if one or more sides is enclosed it would be deemed a garage, which is subject to a 10-foot-setback rule.

It was uncertain when the City Council would take up the proposals. The Planning and Zoning Commission is scheduled to meet next on Aug. 6.

Resident complains about city codes issues

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Patton asked if the board wants to shift the pathway enough for clearance. Rainey said she has written easements for the County Club before. She said she could write an easement that would allow passage for equipment and residents. Stiles said the wall is stacked pavers and was originally stacked to be level with the road but erosion and settling has caused the dirt around it to sink 15 to 18 inches. He said the Country Club should pursue easement onto the homeowner's property and ask the restoration crew to widen it back to 10 feet.

Board Member John Nicol said that would take care of one pathway issue with a pole, but the problem is all over the Lake, which could make it a large project.

Visitors: Pete McKay, 32 Emerald Shore, said there are residential properties around the Lake that seem to have an excessive amount of junk in their yards. He said one property has a trailer in the yard that is not allowed. President Holland said those are city ordinance violations and the Country Club does not have authority to enforce them. McKay said there is a box truck on Beach Drive that parks on Country Club property that should be moved. Holland said it would be a police parking issue.

Board Member John Nicol, who also

is a city alderman, said the City Council has been trying to figure out the best way to enforce city codes. He said they have discussed hiring a part-time code enforcer and how that person would have access to private property to enforce the codes. McKay said he took a list of things to the city about one property and the only thing that was done was the grass being mowed.

McKay also said a stump that was left in front of the Clubhouse is an eyesore and asked if it could be removed. Holland said the contract with Monster Tree Service does not cover stump removal therefore the price would be \$300 to \$400 to have that done.

Scott Johnson, 16 Anchor, said the board voted May 19 to approve a dock for 165-A, which was approved, 8-4. Johnson, who has an undeveloped lot at 164-A, said the board voted to approve the dock based on untrue statements about an alternative location that was near a closer pathway to the applicants' newly built house, 165 Anchor. He questioned whether guests would cut through first-tier property.

Johnson said a first-tier resident planted a bush line along their property that prevented people from crossing the lakefront in that area, which would otherwise have made access easy to the other potential dock site. Johnson said there are steps leading down to the "inaccessible"

dock space and the "accessibility" is not a cost issue or age issue. He said if the board is going to start factoring that in to available dock space locations, he expects them to continue doing it. Johnson asked if the Country Club has a way of assessing points to trespassers that do not use the pathways.

President Holland said trespassing would be a police issue. He said the matter is closed regarding the board's decision to approve the 165-A dock.

Johnson returned to the subsequent meeting, saying he thinks the board deviated from the rules when approving 165-A's dock placement. He said new board members should be advised if a board member hears new information about a previous situation that was already approved, they may make a motion to reconsider the matter. Roberts Rules of Order provide that a motion for reconsideration can only be made by a board member who originally voted on the prevailing side.

Executive session: President Holland adjourned the June 16 open meeting at 8:15 p.m. and convened a closed executive session at 8:18 p.m.

Official Country Club minutes may be read at the Lake Office.



JULY EVENTS

Block Wars!

Come up early to participate or cheer your block on!

We'll Start the Games off with Mimosas, Muffins & Fruit!

Save the Date!

Saturday August 2nd

Registration 10:00am

Games Start 10:30am

Lake Tapawingo Shelter House



Logo Items for Sale!

The Women's Club will be selling logo items at the Fireworks tent
6/29-7/4
from 4:00-8:00pm



Chef Erin Long gives tips for cooking and entertaining.

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the cooking class!
Stay tuned for more!

Please Join the Lake Tapawingo Women's Club Facebook Page!



Photos by Matt Quinn and
Tomi Bellinghausen

BBQ Feast!



SPORTSMEN'S CLUB NEWS

Grab your cape and cowl and head for Boat Parade

By John Nicol

It's not too late to decorate for the Fourth of July Boat Parade theme of country-loving super heroes like Captain America, Wonder Woman, Superman and more.

Boat parade skippers should assemble (just like the Avengers!) in C Cove by Liberty Landing in time to begin the parade at 2 p.m. on the Fourth. The parade will be led by a Water Patrol boat, while resident boating is asked to be limited as the parade rounds the lake.

The annual Boat Parade is sponsored by the Sportsmen's Club, with impartial judges selecting the parade winners for First, Second, Third and Honorable Mention. Each is awarded a trophy and a traveling trophy listing past First Place winners will be held for a year by the 2025 First Place winner.

Participants, make sure your lot and block number will show for the judges to identify your boat. Presentations need to be within family entertainment standards. So, gather your crew. Decorate and share your vision with everyone at the Lake. That makes everyone a winner!

Fireworks on sale through Fourth

The Sportsmen's Club Fireworks Sale is open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. July 1 and 2 and 9 a.m. until the last buyers leave July 3 and 4 at the Shelterhouse. Funds raised support the Sportsmen's Club to underwrite gatherings and pay for multiple scholarships.

The classes of fireworks sold are under a permit granted by the Missouri Department of Public Safety, are consumer grade and do not exceed city of



Reasonable prices!

The Women's Club will be selling Lake Tapawingo logo clothing items and gear for scholarship funding the evenings of July 1 through July 3.

The Sportsmen's Club will sell: Barbecued Brisket: 1-pound packages \$15, 2-pound \$25; Barbecued andouille smoked spice sausage: 1-pound bag \$10; Corned Beef: 1 pound \$10.

BBQ Feast drew 155 Lake residents

While morning rain canceled the Women's Club Cornhole Tournament,

Lake Tapawingo size limits. Buy local, we support you, so please support us! Credit cards welcome.

by afternoon mild and sunny weather ushered in a well-attended BBQ Feast hosting 140 adults and 15 children. Compliments to John Harrison for carrying out the barbecue preparation while Jim Clarke was in the hospital.

The work crew included Kris Hall, Matt Quinn, Mike Cloyde, Scott Rhodes, Chuck Welch and John Nicol. The Lake Tapawingo Women's Club joined in by providing an array of sweet desserts served by Tomi Bellinghausen and Kim Hall.

With President Jim Clarke in the hospital, First Vice President John Harrison opened the June 10 club meeting, noting membership is 142. Treasurer Chuck Welch was obtaining the fireworks permit and insurance. Second Vice President Jeremy Cumberford said he heard flathead catfish were being caught. A card for Jim Clarke was signed wishing a speedy recovery.

Lake Tapawingo Sportsmen's Club sponsors

Fourth of July Fireworks

For Sale at the Lake Tapawingo Shelterhouse.

Open 9 a.m.-9 p.m. July 1-2 and until last buyers leave July 3-4.

Women's Club Lake Tapawingo T-shirts and other logo items on sale, after 4 p.m. evenings of July 1-4



The annual Sportsmen's Club sale of fireworks is a fundraiser for the club's activities, including scholarship awards and stocking the lake with fish. The classes of fireworks sold are under a permit granted by the state of Missouri Department of Public Safety, are consumer-grade and do not exceed city of Lake Tapawingo size limits. Have a fun and safe Fourth!

Barbecue on sale at the Shelterhouse during fireworks sales:

Brisket: 1 lb. packages \$15, 2 lbs. for \$25

BBQ Andouille smoked spice sausage: 1 lb. bag \$10

Corned beef: 1 lb. for \$10



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Do I need to provide anything?

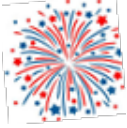
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- At least a 7x7 private space to groom, preferably not on carpet.
- A 3 prong outlet within work area



TAPAWINGO POLICE GAZETTE



LTPD's Fourth of July Memo



FIREWORKS MAY BE DISCHARGED WITHIN CITY LIMITS ONLY DURING THE HOURS OF:
JULY 1-3, 2025 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.
JULY 4, 2025 8 a.m. to MIDNIGHT

The LTPD will be exercising increased street patrol and law enforcement measures to ensure residents are complying with the city's fireworks ordinance regulations

- DISCHARGING BOTTLE ROCKETS IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED.
- Always have an adult present when discharging fireworks.
- It is unlawful to throw, use, explode, discharge, detonate, aim, point or shoot any fireworks on all streets, parks, boats and the lake owned by the Lake Tapawingo Country Club.
- Never aim fireworks at people or animals.
- Avoid discharging fireworks in dry areas.
- Only consumer grade (Class C) fireworks are permitted within city limits.
- Property owners will be responsible for all violations that occur on their property

TO REPORT FIREWORKS VIOLATIONS, CALL DISPATCH AT (816) 795-1960

KEEP THE CITY AND STREETS CLEAN:
 DISPOSE OF ALL DEBRIS AFTER DISCHARGING FIREWORKS

HAVE A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE FOURTH OF JULY!



Lake Tapawingo Police Logs May 1-31, 2025

Ward 1: Anchor:

Report 25-000064 -- Alarm call

Report 25-000065 -- Outside Agency Assist: Central Jackson County Fire Protection responded to carbon monoxide alarm

Report 25-000066 -- Code complaint

Report 25-000069 -- Code complaint

Report 25-000072 -- Outside Agency Assist: Central Jackson County Fire Protection responded to medical call

Ward 2: Beach, Clipper:

Report 25-000062 -- Property damage

Report 25-000068 -- Code complaint

Report 25-000070 -- Code complaint

Report 25-000074 -- Road rage report

Report 25-000075 -- Agency assist: Jackson County Sheriff's Office responded, emergency medical services call

Report 25-000076 -- Agency assist: Jackson County Sheriff's Office responded, alarm call

Report 25-000078 -- Agency assist: Jackson County Sheriff's Office responded, area check

Ward 3: Dockside, Emerald Shore:

Report 25-000073 -- Property damage: Vandalism

Report 25-000067 -- Trespass: Unfounded

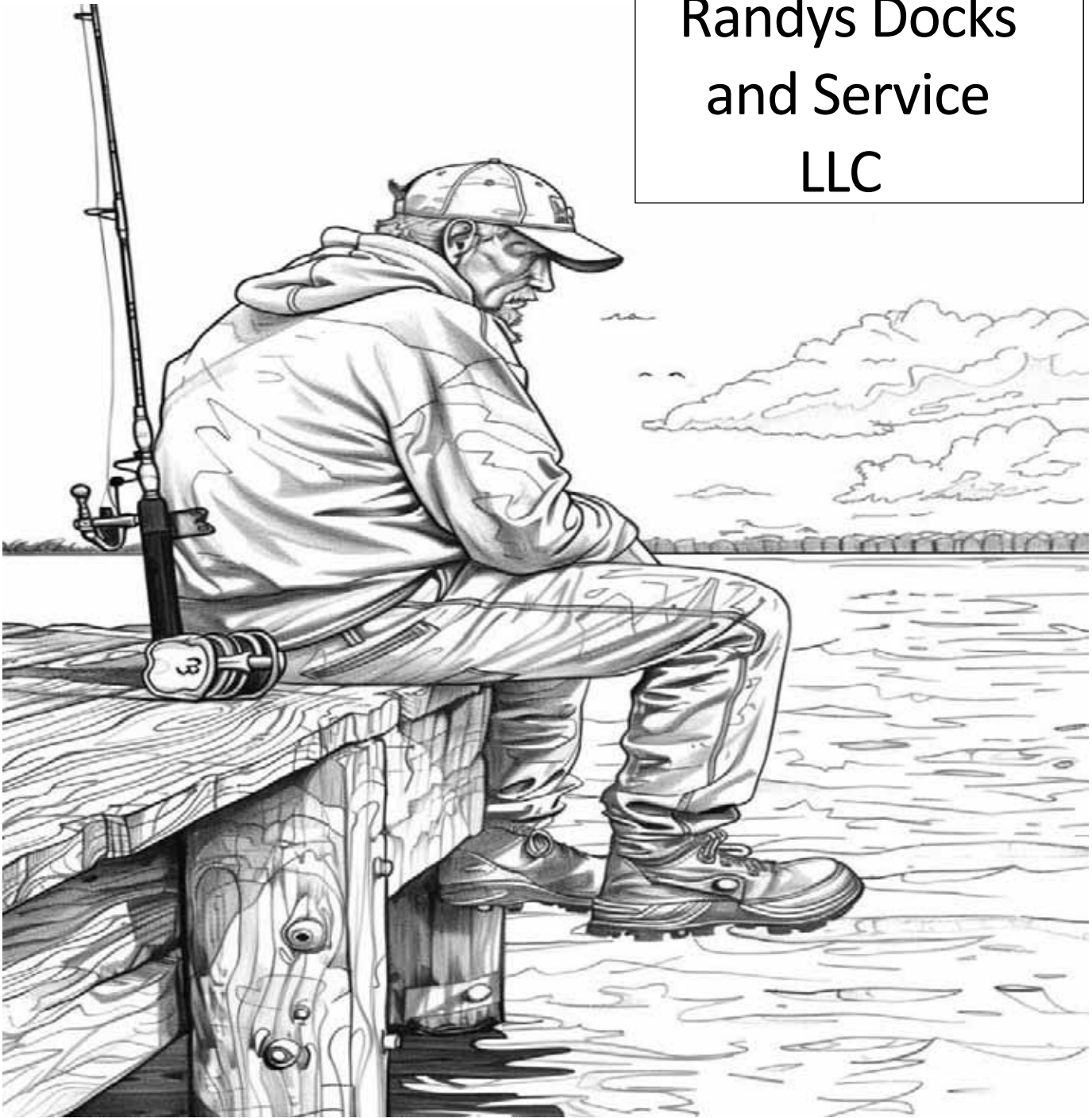
Report 25-000071 -- Community policing: Vacation check

Citations: 23

See Police Reports, Page 27.










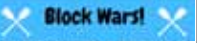
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JULY 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 Sportsmen's Club Fireworks Sale, 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Shelterhouse <i>Lake Office hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	2 Women's Club Pilates, yoga class 6 p.m., Clubhouse Sportsmen's Club Fireworks Sale, 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Shelterhouse <i>Lake Office hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	3 City Council, 6 p.m., City Hall Sportsmen's Club Fireworks Sale, 9 a.m.-? p.m., Shelterhouse <i>Lake Office hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	4  Independence Day Boat Parade, 2 p.m. Fireworks display, 9:15 p.m. Sportsmen's Club Fireworks Sale, 9 a.m.-? p.m., Shelterhouse <i>Lake Office closed</i> <i>City Hall closed</i>	5  Boat launching, 9 a.m.-noon (preregister Lake Office or lake tapawingo.com)
6	7 Country Club Board, 7 p.m. Clubhouse <i>Lake Office hours: Noon-6 p.m.</i>	8 Sportsmen's Club 7 p.m., Clubhouse <i>Lake Office hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	9 Women's Club Pilates, yoga class 6 p.m., Clubhouse <i>Lake Office hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	10 Municipal Court 10:30 a.m., Circuit Court, Independence <i>Lake Office hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	11 <i>Lake Office hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	12  Boat launching, 9 a.m.-noon (preregister Lake Office or lake tapawingo.com)
13	14 <i>Lake Office hours: Noon-6 p.m.</i>	15 <i>Lake Office hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	16 Women's Club Pilates, yoga class 6 p.m., Clubhouse <i>Lake Office hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	17 <i>Lake Office hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	18 <i>Lake Office hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	19  Boat launching, 9 a.m.-noon (preregister Lake Office or lake tapawingo.com)
20	21 Country Club Board, 7 p.m. Clubhouse <i>Lake Office hours: Noon-6 p.m.</i>	22 <i>Lake Office hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	23 Women's Club Pilates, yoga class 6 p.m., Clubhouse <i>Lake Office hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	24 <i>Lake Office hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	25 <i>Lake Office hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	26  Boat launching, 9 a.m.-noon (preregister Lake Office or lake tapawingo.com) Invasive Species Training, 8 a.m.  Lake Office (preregister)
27	28 <i>Lake Office hours: Noon-6 p.m.</i>	29 <i>Lake Office hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	30 <i>Lake Office hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	31 <i>Lake Office hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	1	2  Block Wars, 10 a.m. registration Shelterhouse

Police Reports

	May 1-31	April 1-30	March 1-31	Feb. 1-28	Jan. 1-31	Dec. 1-31	Nov. 1-30	Oct. 1-31
Traffic - Anchor offenses - Beach	1	5	1	0	2	5	4	1
- Clipper	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
- Dockside	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
- Emerald Shore	3	3	2	0	1	7	4	5
- Woods Chapel	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- U.S. 40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
- Total	17	12	8	1	2	2	4	4
Warrant arrests	23	20	11	1	8	14	15	14
Arrests	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Felony arrests	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Codes complaints	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Calls for service	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Warnings	11	15	13	5	11	3	7	5
	0	1	0	1	1	10	6	1
Total	38	39	24	7	21	27	28	20



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