



Important Dates

LSA Boat Launch Security, Scott Morz

Boat Sticker Request - Scott Morz will be hosting a second boat sticker corral day on **Sunday, March 24th, 2024. Time: 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM** (depending on turn out and weather) **Location: Boat Corral.**

Be sure to bring your current Michigan Watercraft Registration for the watercraft. The property owner(s) and address must match the registration (new residents are the only exception). Registration must be good thru 2025 at a minimum. We can accept a receipt showing registration fees paid online or in person at the SOS as long as it has pertinent information about ownership.

Thank you Harmon Pierce and Rich Droste for volunteering on the 1st sticker day earlier this month. We had an incredible turnout with over 100 boats updated.

LSA Treasury Receivable, Linda Gibbs

Association Dues - March 31st to receive your \$50.00 discount.

To receive the \$50.00 discount association, dues must be received by March 31st, 2024. As of April 1st, no discounts will be provided; the full amount is due by June 30, 2024. Failure to pay by June 30, 2024 will result in the following services being discontinued: boat ramp access, trash pickup and mosquito spraying. Balances carried after August 31st, 2024 will result in a lien filed with a fee of \$150.00, plus 7% annual interest fee.

Payments by check can be mailed to LSA P.O. Box 464, Hartland, MI 48353-0464. If you want to drop off a check, Marsha Passino, Treasury Assistant, will accept payment at her home. Marsha's address is 7310 Parkwood Dr. Please place your check in the mailbox located on the front porch. Paying with a credit card or ACH instructions are on your invoice.

Some of our residents have overpaid their HOA dues. **It is LSA policy to apply those credits to the following year's HOA dues.** Please direct questions regarding your account to Linda Gibbs at lsa.treasuryreceivable@lake-shannon.com and/or Marsha Passino at Marsha.m.passino@gmail.com.

LSA Dam/Lake Environmental and Weed Control, Jeff Coates

Lake Level - Spring / Summer Level - Target date to raise the lake is scheduled for Monday, **April 1st, 2024.** It takes 4 days or so to reach summer level, depending on precipitation. Now is a great time to clean up your waterfront area.

LSA President and Dredging Chairperson, Theresa Rago

Dredging Update: We are excited to share that Phase I of our Dredging Project will start the first week of April, "Weather Permitting." Large equipment, silt fencing, and culverts to create the road and basin will be delivered to the Cole/Velliky property that week. Residents will not be affected by construction truck traffic as this phase will be entirely on the Cole/Velliky property, located off Dean Road and Parkwood. All permits have been obtained for this project from EGLE, Tyrone Township and Livingston County. If you have any questions, please call or text Theresa Rago, President at 313-580-9022.

Watch the youtube link on the process: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=leziZrezWRs>

Damage to LSA Property

Over the past two years there has been personal damage to association property at the swim park and boat launch. The board will seek reimbursement from the homeowner or guest for repairs. The Board will obtain a quote for the repair and or replacement and present a quote to the homeowner who can submit the claim to their insurance company or pay cash. The association's insurance agent recommended this practice instead of all homeowners absorbing the cost and keeping our premiums low.

Infrastructure Chairman and LSA Recording Secretary, Jim Griener Infrastructure Committee formerly known as Road Committee

The Road Committee has a new name, Infrastructure Committee. The committee encompasses roads, drains and all inlets. Chairman, Jim Greiner has received the road report from Boss Engineering and it is available on the LSA Website [Infrastructure - WELCOME TO LAKE SHANNON! \(lake-shannon.com\)](http://www.lake-shannon.com) Jim will be sharing the committee's research and action plan at the spring general membership meeting.

The report encourages property owners to maintain their ditches to promote positive drainage, keeping gravel shoulder in place and functioning properly and not allowing contractors to park heavy equipment on roads for an extended period of time.

Property owners need to follow the Livingston County Drain Commissioners, Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control (SESC) procedures and rules.

TRACKING MAT: The coarse aggregate tracking mat (1"x 3" crushed stone, minimum 12' wide by 50' long) is always required where the site fronts a paved road. The coarse aggregate material for the tracking mat shall be delivered to the site prior to the initial inspection. Following issuance of the permit and prior to the start of any construction or excavation, site driveway shall be cut in, a culvert placed, and the coarse aggregate material spread. A tracking map is not needed if you use your driveway for equipment and material.

If you notice a possible violation, please contact Livingston County SECS at (517) 546-0040.

Architectural Control Committee, Wayne Biernacki

Silt Fence:

Property owners need to follow the same requirements per the Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control, per Livingston County Drain Commissioner. Soil erosion and its sedimentation flow into “our lake” and the State of Michigan has this the number one threat to surface waters in Michigan.

The SESC states a Residential SESC Permit is required for construction of a single family residence or **“other earth disturbance”**, including pools and pole buildings, if the work is conducted **within 500 feet of surface water** (ie., lake, stream, pond, swamp, wetland or county drain) or the disturbance is an acre or more.

- **SILT FENCE:** Prior to the start of any construction or excavation, 36” silt fence (or approved alternative) is always required behind the curb or roadside ditch where the site fronts a paved road. Outside of subdivisions, this requirement may be waived if the front of the disturbance is a full 100’ from the road or ditch, or where the site drops off from the road in such a manner to limit ingress/egress to the coarse aggregate tracking mat area. Silt fence (or approved alternative) at a minimum shall also be placed between the disturbance and any watercourse to prevent siltation and degradation of the watercourse. Silt fence **MUST** be trenched in 6 inches to pass initial inspection.

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The Livingston County website will provide property owners with the proper information for your project at: <https://milivcounty.gov/drain/sesc/> Additional rules can be found on the SESC web page by going to: www.michigan.gov/soilerosion

ACC Reminder for Spring Time Projects - ACC approval is needed for the following:

- New Construction, including additions and changing the exterior appearance of your home.
- Gazebos
- Removal of 3 or more (6’ diameter at 4.5ft from ground) trees
- Fences, animal pens and dog kennels.
- Any new construction between the rear lot line or water’s edge, and the main residence that is greater than 3 feet in height.
- Seawalls are required to have a permit from EGLE before construction.

Parks and Islands, Lori Saunders

Wake Boats

We have seen an increase of erosion, impacting the islands. Please take the time to read the articles, and adhere to the recommendation. Thank you! With regard to the Wake Boats, EGLE highly recommends that the Lake Shannon Association work with the property owners to limit operation of wake boats near the shoreline. It is recommended that wake boats should not be operating their wake ballast within a minimum of 200 feet of the shoreline. Below are links to prior and recent articles on wake boats that may be useful. New research recommends wakeboard boats operate their wake ballast from at least 200 feet to 500 feet from docks or the shoreline and never operate in water less than 15 feet deep.

[mn-wakeboats-updated.pdf \(olemiss.edu\)](#) (Sea Grant Law Center)

https://mymlsa.org/the-killer-bees-appear-to-be-winnin_g-an-update-on-wake-boats/
(Article 2017)

[DNR-Wake-Boat-Report.pdf \(mymlsa.org\)](#) (September 2022 State of Michigan Fishers Report 37)

[MDNR Releases Special Report on Wake Boats | Michigan Lakes & Streams Association, INC \(mymlsa.org\)](#) (September 2022)

Lake Shannon Board

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