

**HVLA Board Communications Summary
31 August 15**

1. Report Coverage: Voice and Electronic Communications between HVLA Board Members 1 August 2015 – 31 August 2015

2. Roll Call:

Board Members:

President	Troy Fluckey	PARTICIPATED	Lot 116
Vice President	Gerard Daly	PARTICIPATED	Lot 143
Treasurer	Joe Glaser	PARTICIPATED	Lot 120
Board Member	Thomas O’Loughlin	PARTICIPATED	Lot 4
Secretary	Martin Apprich	PARTICIPATED	Lot 50

3. Approval of Communications Summary/HVLA Board Minutes from last meeting: The Communication Record (31 July 2015) was distributed to all board members reviewed by board members present. The minutes were accepted by a unanimous vote.

4. Reports to the Board:

a. Treasurer’s Report. Nothing to report

b. SID 97 Report. Nothing to report.

c. Committee Reports

(1) The Social Committee.

d. HVLA President’s Report. Nothing to report.

c. Board Reports

(1) Architectural Committee – Nothing to report.

(2) Lake Quality Committee- Nothing to report.

5. Old Business: Nothing to report.

6. New Business: Ongoing HVLA Board business communications were as follows:

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7 August 15: Gerard Daly circulates proposal to HVLA Board for management of Social Media. The HVLA Board did not adopt the proposal, opting for local management of website and HVLA Board input on Nextdoor.

7 August 15: Gene Kloewer provides an update to the HVLA Board regarding weeds in the Boat Storage Lot: Weeds boat storage area. OK another bad year for weeds. I have sprayed twice already. We all know we've had a heck of lot of rain again this year. I've never seen so many Bad and shady beaches on the lake as I see this year. If you take a boat ride around the lake you will see a lot of weedy beaches. I have never seen them so bad in the 20 years I've been here. The 1st cove, NW corner is a disgrace. The county should be called on 2 or 3 of the lots for weeds almost shoulder high. I will try to spray the weeds again this Week but if it keeps raining it will be a losing battle again.

[Gerard Daly] Gene, you're doing a great job as you do every year. I want to personally thank you for your volunteer work. This is a grey area for both the HVLA and SID. Weed control is definitely a responsibility for an SID per state statute. HVLA has a limited budget. Our SID taxes that are collected should cover weed control and grass cutting along with landscaping. Dave you send this email as if it's your own money here and you express disappointed and concern your money was wasted with the storage lot renovation a few years ago. The HVLA again had a limited budget so we had to pass on spending more money to install weed control fabric and a deeper layer of rock to also control weed growth The HVLA has not raised its dues for a few years now but if you wish a more the HVLA to hire a professional weed control service then this

[Gene Kloewer] FYI. I did spray the entire boat storage area again a week ago. But as all summer it rained again not long after I sprayed. Just a reminder that before I started doing the spraying the board was paying a fee of about \$500 for a one time spraying of Round Up. Now round up is a surface killer. It will kill things it touches but it is Not a permanent killer. So with all the rains we had the same thing would have happened except you'd be paying a lot more for the same results. And the last couple of years as recommended to me I have been using a Combination of Round Up and a Permanent 6 month killer. I was told that by mixing the two together professional sprayers save costs and get a better kill. This is what I have been doing for about 3 years now. BUT admittedly with all the unusual rains we've had for the past 2 out of 3 years it hasn't even helped it seems. So this year I have sprayed 3 times and seemed to gain very little but who knows how bad it would be without it ??? Not sure what the answer is, all I know is in my option I don't think you'd get any better results by paying a contractor to do it. If you want to pay a contractor to do this 3 times with Round Up only would be at least \$1500 per prices several years ago. Remember Round Up is only a surface killer and does not prevent New weeds from coming up. (current costs under \$200 and Free Labor)

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10 August 15: [Troy Fluckey] Appreciate everyone's feedback on this. I have been thinking about this for some time and as the project was a joint effort between the board and SID I would like to continue that thought process here. I still think the board has the responsibility to manage the area and in spirit of trying to engage more of the community to become involved have reached out to a few people that I would like to have taken some lead in this effort and work with Gene on both organization and weeds. Will make it much easier to manage with more hands, eyes and effort. Chad and Mellissa McCain have already volunteered to help in this area and we can continue to "hire" HVLA help if needed. That said, I do think that we could use some of the financial help from the SID as I believe that does fall under the umbrella of responsibility there. Be more than happy to discuss how that would work, what the amount would be and then of course expectations on both sides. Organization and weeds are more than a 1 man job no doubt and would like to tackle both here. Please let me know your thoughts and if you have any other names of folks that have expressed a desire to volunteer some time.

10 August 15: Gerard Daly provides a cost quite for the construction of a Gazebo from Crouch Recreation. Total cost as bid is \$31,180. Here is the quote from Eric Crouch's Recreational Equipment Company. I would vote for a cost share with the SID.

11 August 15: [Troy Fluckey] Doesn't he do Rec Equipment too? Playground equipment has been suggested as something the village would be interested in. Does he do something commercial in that department too? Can we get a proposal for that as well and then can put out what both the village and the SID see what they would be interested in doing and partnering on.

11 August 15: Troy, I have researched this a couple of years ago when I was looking into grant money to assist us with possible recreational improvements such as playground equipment, benches, trash containers, pavilion shelter with picnic tables and gazebo for the Platte river dike trail. Sorry to say that no one wants to give us money yet. Since 2008 or so I have been communicating with Eric Crouch and his recreational equipment company who does the majority of city and residential park equipment installation state wide and more. He has toured our community and knows what we need and could use. I believe NE state statute allows our SID tax fund for this type of improvements to our community. Please see attached statute I found from the State web site. I know there has always been a huge interest for this but have been pushed backed from what I believe is the community members that do not want any children around to be bothered with. The last comment from the SID was that they talked to their attorney about playground equipment and the liability involved. He recommended that we not have it, but perhaps specific equipment could be evaluated. Which is a head scratcher since most all communities, cities, towns, parks, daycares, schools, etc have playground equipment. We have formed committees in the past but all have fizzled out. Maybe with all the new home owners their might be away to get this done somehow. I have attached sample pictures and the last quote from Eric Crouch's company. It shows the dike path replacement so now that can be removed. Any thoughts?

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20 August 15: [Bob Wilson] Gerard, I checked the water level (gate closed) today about 3PM. It is right at 4.2 ft mark in the vault (and touching the old metal bar). Yesterday the water was not running out appreciably after Bill Allen and I opened the gate, because the sand berm at the opening of the channel was holding back lake level. Overnight, that berm washed out, so today, the water is running out at a good clip. So the lake is at threshold for yellow, but running out, and the river is well below the lake, so we will have good perk out the bottom. There is a big back-hoe parked at the tennis court, but no evidence it was used to dredge the channel; however, I recommend that not only should the channel mouth be opened back up, but the vegetation and debris on the sides of the channel should be pulled back out, as well.

21 August 15: [Troy Fluckey] I would say that we are going to be fine with a little drier weather upon us and the gate draining well now. On the dredging out part, isn't that SID responsibility? At the last SID meeting the lake level was discussed, I had proposed that we use the measurements inside the gate to validate our yellow and red levels and the SID agreed that it would be a good idea to establish that. Based on the earlier email of wall heights and on the recommendation of David Barry, we propose at 5.5 measurements at with closed gate for high water yellow with a 7.0 measurement for high water red. This will protect most all properties outside of Gerchin/Williams wall but they are aware of this fact as when they put the walls in they knew they were low. These measurements are higher but not by much to the current levels but allow for a little more flexibility on keeping the lake open during the rainy season and will give us definite determination when the gate is closed. When the gate is not closed then it can't necessarily be determined. This will allow for those that are watching it to make the call and those that think they are watching it to wait for the call I think. Would like your thoughts...

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7. Other Business. Nothing to report.

8. Communication Record Closed – 31 August 2015.

OFFICIAL:



MARTIN R. APPRICH
Secretary

