

Garfield Township
Unapproved Public Hearing Meeting Minutes
Gray Lake
February 24th, 2020 6:15pm

The meeting opened at 6:15 pm by Supervisor Byl leading the Pledge of Allegiance, Board members present were Byl, Roland, Yarhouse, Irwin and Farwell. Also, in attendance were several property owners from Gray Lake

SAD Resolution: Supervisor Byl read the Gray Lake Assessment District (SAD) No.1 Resolution Determination in its entirety; to proceed with the public improvements and to defray costs by Special Assessment directive to township supervisor to prepare special assessment roll. He then asked for public comments.

Public Comments:

RONALD CRAMER: owner for 23 years and had been presented with 3 petitions on weed control. Has an abstract of title that a 2/3rds vote needed to approve an assessment by all property owners. He is not against the control of weeds, but feels all property owners need to be aware of how the lake is treated.

JAY MATHENY: Has 3 lakefront lots. This was tried before. Should not be a petition without all six subdivisions. There was a Drain SAD resolution in 1977. All have deeded access to the lake and riparian rights. There's a flood plain. Proportionally all should be assessed. All gain from the treatment.

MARK HORNBERGER: Supports the SAD.

JILL SCOLLON: Support.

RICK SLY: For the assessment.

SHAWN MATHENY: Has 3 lakefront lots. Dixon Road On 8-11-2019 assessment stated tier one and two were involved. Not in support unless everyone is involved. All will gain from my taxes.

RHONDA WALDORF: Support.

ROBERT RIFFE: I object. Not on Lakefront. We cannot have a properly maintained road. We Tier 2 owners have a voice. and would support it.

SUE FERGUSON: Owns 5 lots. I would volunteer, but no one steps forward. I am happy with the assessment. Support.

BILL SCHAEFFER: owner since 1996. 2 lots in Tier 2 and 4 on the lake. Like roads, paved part of Alpine-but not my part. You all use the paved part. I am in support. Voluntary did not work. Need weed control or we choke the fish out.

JIM LARD: Support.

WADE GRAY: voluntary didn't work.

DOROTHY ARCHAMBEAU: Support.

MELINDA LARD: Support.

JAN REHWOLDT: Support.

LARRY SCOLLON: Support.

LADY: didn't state name; Not in support.

DENNIS KRUEGER: Don't support.

The committee in 1959 needed a 2/3rds vote from all subdivisions. The 4 lake access lots are not taxed. This is a private lake but (perhaps) has public access. Open areas are public areas. These lots are not included in the petition. SAD in 2020 added wells. There were court documents directing in Drain Commission.

Board discussion. We probably need to get some advice from our attorney on tier 2 owners. Supervisor will check.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Yarhouse, Supported by Farwell. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm

David Byl, Supervisor

Joan E Farwell Clerk