

By-laws of Myers Lake Improvement Association

Article I Name and Purpose

- Section 1 Name:**
The name of this organization is Myers Lake Improvement Association
- Section 2 Purpose:**
Myers Lake Improvement Association located in Courtland Township, Kent County, Michigan exists to provide aquatic quality of the lake along with lake activities and projects for the benefit, welfare, and protection of it's members and residents.

Article II Members

- Section 1 Membership:**
Any property owner or resident of Myers Lake, Courtland Township, Kent County, Michigan, is eligible for membership in the Association. Membership shall not be denied on the basis of race, color, creed, or national origin. Any persons fulfilling the above requirements, interested in the objectives of the Association, and willing to uphold the policies and subscribe to its by-laws may become a member upon payment of yearly dues.
- Section 2 Area Covered:**
The area of land surrounding or adjacent to Myers Lake to be covered by the activities and projects of the Association shall be determined by the Board of Directors of the Association.

Article III Dues and Assessments

- Section 1 Dues:**
The Board of Directors of the Association is empowered to determine and establish dues for membership which will be paid by each household in such a manner as the Board may determine. Dues paid are in effect for one year.
- Section 2 Assessment:**
At any Annual Meeting or General Meeting of the members of the Association, a majority of such members present may, by ballot or voice there-on, determine an equal assessment to be levied upon each of the members of the Association for the furtherance of any special project,

activity, or undertaking of the Association. With due notice of such activity having been given.

Article IV Weed Control

- Section 1** **Number and Term:**
The Board of Directors of the Association has sole responsibility for the acquisition of an aquatic management company to ensure the quality of the lake.
- Section 2** Following the aquatic control is derived as in Public Act 188 of 1954, known as Myers Lake Weed Control Special Assessment District.

Article V Board of Directors

- Section 1** **Number and Term:**
The Board of Directors of the Association shall consist of nine members. The President and the remaining eight (8) Board members shall be elected and take office at the annual general membership meeting.
- The Board shall maintain four (4) Officers and five (5) Trustees. The President and Board members will be elected for a two year term. The terms of the office shall be so established that on even numbered years, four (4) Board member seats will be available for election. On alternate years, five (5) Board member seats will be available for election.
- The selection of Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer shall be determined at the first Board meeting following the annual general membership meeting.
- Section 2** **Duties:**
The business and affairs of the Association shall be managed by the Board of Directors of the Association who by resolution may delegate all or any of its duties or powers to a committee to be composed of Board Members, and shall be empowered to carry on the management of the Association between board meetings.
- Section 3** **Transactions of Business:**
The Board of Directors shall transact its business by a majority vote of the members of the Board present at any regular or special meeting of the Board. A quorum of the Board sufficient to transact business of the Association shall exist when five (5) members of the Board are present at such meeting.

Section 4

Removal of Board Members and Filling Vacancies:

Any Board member of the Association may be removed by a two-thirds vote of members present at any regular or special meeting called for that purpose. Likewise a two-thirds vote of the Board at any such meeting shall elect a successor to fill any unexpired term of the of removed Board member.

Section 5

Compensation:

No compensation shall be paid to any member of the Board of Directors for services rendered or performance of duties.

**Article VI
Officers**

Section 1

President:

The President of the Association shall be elected by and from the membership of the Association. The President shall be the Chief Officer and shall preside over all meetings of the Board of Directors and general meetings of the membership. The Officer shall have general and active management of the business of the Association and shall see that all orders and resolutions of the Board are carried into effect. The President shall be empowered to appoint special committees consistent with the duties of this office.

Section 2

Vice President:

The Vice President shall assist the President in the performance of duties and in the absence of the President shall sit in full control with full responsibilities and powers of the President.

Section 3

Secretary:

The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the membership and of the Board of Directors and shall, in books belonging to the Association, keep true minutes of the proceedings of all such meetings. This Officer shall give notices required by statute, by law, or any resolution. Also, this Officer shall perform such duties as delegated by the Board or the President.

Section 4

Treasurer:

The Treasures shall have custody of all Association funds. In books belonging to the Association, keep full and accurate accounts of all receipts and expenditures. This Officer shall deposit all monies and other valuable effects in the name of the Association in depositories, as may be designated for the purpose by the Board of Directors. This Officer shall deposit all funds and shall keep record for expenditures and shall render a

financial report as to the condition of the Association at all Board meetings and meetings of the general membership. This Officer, upon demand of the Board, resignation or fulfillment of term, surrender all monies, valuable effects and records to the board or the successor.

Section 5

Obligation of Board Members:

Any material representing the work of the Association i.e., documents, letters, notices, bookkeeping, etc., shall be the property of the Association. Also, that all material will be surrendered to a qualified Board member within ten (10) days after resignation, dismissal, or election of a Board member

**Article VII
Meetings**

Section 1

Board of Directors:

Meetings of the Board shall be held each month at a time and place agreed upon by the Board members. Any member of the Association, upon recognition by Board, may bring business before the Board.

Section 2

Annual Meeting:

Meeting of the general membership will be yearly with due notice given to the membership. The meeting will also be designated as the annual election for the Board of Directors. At this meeting fifteen (15) members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business of the Association. The privilege of holding office, introducing motions and voting shall be limited to members of the Association whose current dues are paid.

**Article VIII
Amendment of By-laws**

Section 1

These By-laws may be amended, altered, changed, added to, or repealed by the affirmative vote of the majority of the Board of Directors.

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Board on Directors

Myers Lake Improvement Association

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