

# **Sanford Lake Improvement Board Minutes**

**October 18, 2022 @ 7pm**

**737 Beamish Rd Sanford 48657**

1. Call to order 7pm
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll call. Present Joe Sova, Carl Hamann, Bill Gebo, and Mike Wood. Absent Jeanette Snyder
4. Approval of the Agenda. Motion by Mike Wood second by Carl Hamann
5. Review of Process and Purpose by legal Kyle Omera
6. Opened public hearing on Practicability.
7. Public comment was heard. Public comment was closed at 7:45pm.
8. Closed Hearing of Practicability 7:45pm.
9. Resolution of Practicability for Continued Sanford Lake Improvement Project was offered by Mike Wood and second by Carl Hamann. Roll call vote. Yeas, Mike Wood Bill Gebo, Carl Hamann and Joe Sova. Nays none. Absent Jeanette Snyder.

1. Open Hearing of Assessment 7:50pm.
2. Presentation of assessment roll and Assessing Certificate
3. Public Comment was heard for Assessment Roll.
4. Public comment was closed at 8:20pm.
5. Closed Public hearing of Assessment 8:20pm.
6. Resolution Approving Assessment for Continued Sanford Lake Improvement Project was offered by Mike Wood and second by Carl Hamann. Roll call vote, Yeas Mike Wood, Carl Hamann, Joe Sova and Bill Gebo. Nays none. Absent Jeanette Snyder.

## **General Board action**

**Approve Legal bill for \$1,303.07 dollars. Motion by Mike Wood and second by Carl Hamann. Voice vote all yes motion carried.**

**Approve bill from Progressive AE for \$7,000 dollars. Motion by Mike Wood and second by Carl Hamann. Voice vote all yes motion carried.**

**Motion to Adjourn at 8:45pm by Mike Wood and second by Bill Gebo. Voice vote all yes motion carried.**

# SANFORD LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD

## SIGN-IN SHEET OCTOBER 18, 2022 - PUBLIC HEARINGS

Name (please print)	Street Address	City / Twp	Phone
Ted Hummel	3311 N. Douglas Dr	Sanford Jerome	989-513-0055
David L. Arndt	3138 W. River Rd.	Sanford Jerome	(989) 687-9386
Rick Bateman	Progressive Ave	Grand Rapids	616 447 3351
Chuck Moore	2959 N. Lakewood	Sanford	989-887-5628
NEAL REELEY	3213 N. DOUGLAS DR.	SANFORD	989-687-5539
DALE STEVENS	613 W CADMAN PT	SANFORD	989 687-5775
Bill Bacon	6688 N. Nemo	BEAVERTON	989 689-3704
LINDA CRISWEN	3864 N BAILEY RD	Jerome	989-708-1663
Brett & Nicole Cotton	3360 Lakeside Dr	Jerome	346-901-5884
Nichole Rapp	3170 N Gil Haven Ct	Jerome	989-492-6277
John Kinkema	3598 SADLER	SANFORD	989-415-9451
Lee Walko	3266 W. Lakeside	Sanford	789-859-6270
MARK KUENZL	515 W. BROWNLEE RD	SANFORD	989 859 8474
MARC SNYDER	2813 N. LAKEVIEW DR.	"	989-687-6220
Jennifer Biniecki	3366 Lakeside Dr	Jerome	702-817-0725



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Linda Criswell  
3864 N Bailey Rd  
Sanford, Michigan 48657

Joseph Sova  
Midland County Drain Commissioner on behalf of the Sanford Lake Improvement Board  
220 W Ellsworth Street  
Midland, MI 48640

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter to protest the Proposed Lake Improvement Project proposes annual assessment from 2022 to 2025 in the approximate amount of \$191.45. I am also opposed to and protesting the continuing lake improvement project from 2023 to 2026.

The reasons I am protesting the proposed assessments is that through no fault of my own I received a great deal of damage from the flood that I have not been able to afford to fix. I am basically cut off from using my waterfront because the stairs broke off and I am unable to access that part of my property. I also have extensive damage to the seawall that I am unable to afford to fix. Any additional expenses will be an undue hardship on me.

In addition to the expenses, I have had and will incur in the future, I have been watching the "mowing project" in front to my house this summer. I have watched a lot of heavy equipment moving log from pile to pile to pile. Even this week when they were grinding the huge pile of logs, they moved logs from pile to pile only to grind them up. Is this efficient use of my money? Also, after all the time and money it took to mow the lakebed, there are still growing. Is there a plan? Wouldn't logs on the restored lakebed make excellent fish habitat? I'm concerned that there isn't a very realistic plan to restore the lakebed and that no one is concerned about the wasted time and money that has already taken place.

I am also opposed to the fact that these expenses are being put on the homeowners. Many, many people used and will use Sanford Lake that do not live on the lake. Many, many local businesses profit from people coming to use the lake. Visiting users and businesses will contribute nothing. I don't object to them coming and enjoying this wonderful resource. I believe it is unfair for them to contribute nothing and we who have already lost so much are expected to give so much more.

Respectfully,

Linda Criswell

**SANFORD LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD**

**TESTIMONY/COMMENT CARD**

October 18, 2022 Public Hearings

Name MARC SNYDER

Address 2813 N. LAKEVIEW DR.

Comments/Questions:

WHAT IS THE PLAN TO MOW AND  
TREAT THE CANAL\* BOTTOM LANDS  
BEFORE AND AFTER THE  
LAKE RETURNS?

\* THE CANAL IS LOCATED BETWEEN  
N. LAKEVIEW DR. AND LITTLE  
CANAL DR. IT IS A DRAINAGE FOR  
DITCHES ON N. LAKEVIEW DR.