# BY-LAWS of the LAKE SHANNON SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

# As amended: January 5, 2024

## ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this organization shall be Lake Shannon Sportsmen's Club (LSSC). This organization shall be operated as and shall forever remain a nonprofit organization.

## ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVE

The objective of this organization shall be to provide a forum for planning group recreational activities for club members and the Lake Shannon community in general, and to improve the fishing and ecology and other recreational facilities of Lake Shannon as decided upon by the general membership of the club.

## ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

## MEMBERSHIP:

To be eligible for membership in this club, a member must meet at least one of the three following requirements:

- 1. Be an adult property owner of the Lake Shannon Association. The authority on ownership is the Livingston County Registrar's Office
- 2. Be a previous adult property owner who desires to maintain a non-voting membership in the club.
- 3. Be an adult resident of Lake Shannon. The authority on residence is a state-issued identification such as a driver's license or state ID.

To be eligible for membership in this club, a member must also pay the annual dues as noted hereafter.

#### DUES:

Section I - The Lake Shannon Sportsmen's Club fiscal year shall be January 1st through December 31st.

Section II – The annual dues shall be \$25.00 per year.

Section III – Members whose dues are not paid by April 1st shall be notified by the Treasurer, and if their dues are not paid by September 1st, their membership shall be forfeited.

### **REINSTATEMENT:**

A member who resigned in good standing may be reinstated upon payment of the current dues.

# ARTICLE IV - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## COMPOSITION:

Section I – The Board of Directors shall consist of the elected and appointed officers.

Section II – Three elected officers shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of the Board.

Section III - Special Board meeting may be called by the President or three members of the Board.

#### **DUTIES**

The Board of Directors shall have the full management and control of all of the property, affects, and assets of the club. They shall audit and pay all the bills of the club. They shall enforce the preservation of order and obedience of the By-laws. They shall make and execute all contracts of sales or purchase when authorized to do so by the members of the club and shall make such regulations for the common comfort and success of the club, as they deem proper. They shall audit the accounts of the treasurer and shall generally do all things necessary for the proper management for the affairs of the club. They shall fill vacancies in any office for the unexpired term.

By a majority vote of the Board of Directors, they may authorize total expenditures of up to \$500 or 10% of the treasury, whichever is less, on club related business between regular meetings.

# ARTICLE V - OFFICERS AND ELECTIONS

## **ELECTED OFFICERS:**

The elected officers shall be a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary.

#### APPOINTED OFFICERS:

A Historian shall be appointed when deemed necessary by the President, with the approval of the Board of Directors.

#### ELECTION:

Elected officers shall be elected at the September meeting, and shall serve for a term of one year, or until their successors are elected. Officers shall be elected by a majority of those present and voting. No elected officer shall be eligible to serve for more than two consecutive terms in the same position unless:

1. No one else is running for that position.

- 2. The current officer in that position is willing to serve one more year.
- 3. The members present vote to have the current officer continue in that position for one more year.

In the case that all three (3) conditions above are met, the officer may continue in that position for one more year.

#### VACANCIES:

A vacancy in any office other than that of the President shall be filled for the unexpired term by appointment of the Board.

## ARTICLE VI - OFFICER NOMINATION

## COMPOSITION AND ELECTION:

- 1. Officers shall be nominated either by a three member committee selected by the Board of Directors, or by the general membership at the September meeting.
- 2. Only members in good standing are eligible for election.
- 3. The consent of the nominee to serve shall be secured.

#### ARTICLE VII - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section I – President. The President shall exercise a general supervision and control over the entire business and affairs of the club. He shall preside at all the meetings of the club, shall call special meetings at such times as they may be necessary shall appoint all committees which shall be necessary and advisable to appoint and by virtue of his office he shall be a member of all standing committees. In all cases of a tie vote, the president's vote shall be deciding.

Section II – Vice-President. It shall be the duties of the Vice-President to perform the duties of the President during his absence or inability to act and assume responsibilities delegated by the President.

Section III – Secretary. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to be present at, and record the proceedings of all meetings of the club and to attest the minutes thereof with his signature. He shall have charge of all books, documents, and papers appertaining to the affairs of the club, and shall keep proper records and files of the same. He shall notify all the members, in writing, of the date and place of holding both special and regular meetings of the club. At the opening of each meeting, he shall call the roll of all the officers and shall keep such roll with the record of the attendance of each member on file. He shall make and send all notices and communications that may be required by the order of the President.

Section IV – Treasurer. The Treasurer shall collect all dues and keep a correct and accurate report of all monies, securities, and properties of whatever nature shall become the property of the club or comes into his hands. He shall render a true and correct report of all money and property received and disbursed, at every annual meeting of the club or when requested to do so by a majority vote of the members present at any meeting of the club.

## ARTICLE VIII - APPOINTED OFFICERS

The Historian shall maintain an accurate and up-to-date account of the club's history.

## ARTICLE IX - MEETINGS

Section I – This organization shall schedule meetings for the first Friday of each of the months of January, February, March, May, June, July, September, November and December, except those dates preceding a holiday.

Section II – Special meetings may be called by the President or by three members of the Board of Directors.

Section III - Ten members in good standing with at least two members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum.

Section IV – Meeting expenses shall be reimbursed from the club's treasury without prior approval of the membership.

Section V – An additional fee of \$30 will be paid to the host for each meeting.

Section VI –A door prize will be awarded at each meeting. All attendees will sign in and we will draw a name/number from only those in attendance. LSSC will pay out \$1 for each person signed in, must be present to win and a paid member.

## ARTICLE X - PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, shall govern this club in all cases in which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these By-Laws.

## ARTICLE XI - AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws may be amended by a majority vote at any general membership meeting of the club provided that notice of such proposed amendments is given seven days prior to the meeting.

# ARTICLE XII – PONTOON TRAILER

Section I – Be managed by a 3 member committee appointed by the Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE XIII - DISSOLUTION PROCEDURE

Dissolution of this organization requires an affirming vote of 75% by all members in good standing. Upon dissolution, all assets will revert to Lake Shannon Association.

May 5, 2023 President – Chad Neff Vice President – Jason Ladd Treasurer – David Rago Secretary – Brad Alesso

Revision Date	Revision Description	Revision Notes
1/5/2024	Change Article III, MEMBERSHIP to allow residents who are non-property owners	David Rago
5/5/2023	Change Article IV, DUTIES – raise minimum amount that the board can authorize from \$100 to \$500 to reflect current prices	David Rago
11/11/2022	Change Article V ELECTION to allow more than two consecutive terms	David Rago
7/10/2019	Article III Section II Raised dues	Harmon Pierce
7/10/2019	Article VII Removed all but one trailer sections	Harmon Pierce
7/10/2019	Article IX Section IV Meeting expenditures revised	Harmon Pierce
5/2/2014	Article XIII - DISSOLUTION PROCEDURE	S. Yaroch
5/2/2014	Article IX - MEETINGS / Door prize	S. Yaroch