

Lexington Heights, Inc.
Board of Trustees Meeting
September 26, 2026

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by association President, Bob Alimpich, at 8:59 AM.

II. Trustees Present

Bob Alimpich, Liz Alimpich, Janice Hall, Julie Hayden, Don McColman (excused), Steve Minnick, Lynn Secord, Dottie Schulte (excused), Jeff Voth

III. Reading of the Minutes

Liz motioned to approve the September 12, 2026, Minutes. Julie seconded. Motion passed. (202629)

IV. Treasurer's Report

Liz reported a balance of \$100,093. There is about \$21,000 in the CD. Board members will be calling on delinquent accounts.

V. Member Comments/Concerns

Sandy discussed her friend, Julia's approach to trimming sumac. Julia is a master gardener who lives north of Lexington. Bob, Liz, and Lynn visited Julia's property to discuss her management of sumac on her property. Sandy thanked us for visiting Julia. Sandy wanted to clarify that the effectiveness of this approach is not dependent on the slope. Sandy feels that the slope does not change the process. The cutting of the sumac strengthens the root system. She also feels that there is a minimal impact on the habitat of animals. Sandy asked the Board to please consider cutting all the sumac on the bluff in this manner. Sandy thinks this would be a more effective way to manage the bluff. Liz talked about how at Julia's house there was a 45-degree slope. Bob thinks our slope is much more than 45 degrees in all areas. There was a discussion of how Julia does this for 50 feet on her property and now have ½ of a mile to manage. It was also mentioned that Julia can pull her sumac up because her slope is manageable. In many places on our bluff, workers need to tie off to not tumble down the bluff. Lynn suggested doing this process in front of Ben and Gail's house to see how it works because that is a protected area from erosion and the slope is more manageable. Sandy also mentioned engaging with an attorney to discuss the trimming of the bluff.

VI. Clubhouse Manager-Jan Britz

Jan said the Fall Fest with line dancing was a good time. The last booking for the season is on October 3.

VII. Bluff/Parkway- Liz, Jan, Jeff, Bob

Liz said that more trimming would be done on the bluff. There was a discussion about the Tree of Heaven and educating the community about this tree. Jeff found a good trifold and he will check into getting copies for us. Bob talked with Thumb Tree Service about a day rate for trimming up some of the hardwoods in the bluff. Lynn made a Motion to spend \$5,000 on trimming the bluff. Liz seconded. All in favor. Motion passed. (202630) There was a discussion about the Oak railing and how nice it turned out.

VIII. Beaches/Boat Ramp/Jetties – Steve, Dottie, Don, Lynn

Bob will call Parker to remove the boat ramp. Steve mentioned a tree that needs to be removed near the Satinwood kayak stand.

IX. Clubhouse/Playground – Bob, Julie, Jan

Bob talked with Josh and is waiting to hear back on the quote on the foundation. Bob will follow up. There was a discussion about the drain at Worth and Lakeview. Lynn suggested calling the Road Commission. Julie said that they will blow out the gutters when all the leaves are down. There was a discussion about extensions on the gutters before winter.

X. Old Business/On-Going

Dottie was not present to report on 730 Grove. Lynn said she will call Sanilac County. There was a discussion regarding this property and if any progress has been made. Bob would like a survey of the property on Grove. Concern was also expressed about the house on Maple and Emerson. Lynn reminded the Board that it is easy to make a complaint on the Worth Township website.

XI. New Business

Jan Hall discussed getting shields for the lights on Lakeview. The shields are not expensive, but a bucket truck would be needed to install them. The lights are owned by DTE. Sandy will share a report that she did in 2023 on lighting on Lakeview. Lynn will send to all Board members.

Julie made a Motion to purchase a new bagless commercial vacuum for \$400. Liz seconded. All in favor. Motion passed. (202631)

There was a discussion regarding doing a fundraiser for the playground. Lynn suggested that someone should present a plan to the Board. Sandy said that she will work with Karen Callue on that idea. Lynn suggested adding a tire swing to the playground. That is a very popular piece of equipment on a playground.

There was a discussion about the Children's parade. If John is not willing to do the parade, Jan and Julie will organize the parade.

The calendar for 2027 was set. It will be posted on the website.

Glady is happy to reserve a table at the Chili Fest for any groups. Let Glady know if you'd like a table reserved. Hot dogs will be provided at the Chili Fest.

XII. Member Comments

Glady likes cutting the lower branches off the sumacs to provide a view.

Kurt doesn't understand why some people seem to fear sumac. Bob said that is not the issue. The issue is that it is prolific and obstructs the view.

There is a video from the 1980's that shows the erosion then. Bob would like to try to get that on our website.

XIII. Adjournment

Liz motioned to adjourn. Julie seconded. All in favor. (202632)

Upcoming Events

October 10, Chili Fest 6:00 PM

May 15, Board Meeting 9:00 AM

If you can help with any projects for our community, please email us at Lexingtonheightsinc@gmail.com. The playground could use a raking. Please let us know if you can volunteer. Thank you.