

Twin Lakes Property Owners Association

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"Making a difference in the life of our Lakes and our Community"

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Albert Township Board
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Board Members and Administrator,

The Executive Board of the Twin Lakes Property Owners Association (TLPOA) is encouraged by the Albert Township Board's commitment in establishing and maintaining a master plan for the continued improvement of Albert Township. In reviewing survey results thus far from the community, *clean lakes* and *recreational opportunities* are high priority factors listed. As an organization dedicated to maintaining the high quality of both East and West Twin Lakes, the TLPOA believes these factors should be well represented in the ultimate Township Master Plan.

Five factors the TLPOA strongly suggest be represented into the Master Plan include:

1. Improving private and public septic system regulations to better ensure water entering our lakes' watersheds is clean and non-polluting. This would include supporting and enforcing any new forthcoming Michigan state regulations or enacting local 'point of sale' septic inspections.
2. Implementing Huron Pines recommendations from their 2024 Lewiston Stormwater Assessment which include additional street cleaning and implementing green infrastructure bio-swales to curb pollutants entering our lakes.
3. Maintenance of the Lewiston retention pond to ensure the pond operates as originally designed. This will properly filter storm water and prevent storm sewer water runoff containing high levels of phosphorus and other pollutants directly into our lakes.
4. Preventing further relaxation of the Greenbelt Ordinance plus strongly enforcing the ordinance. This helps maintain natural shorelines and reduces pollutants washing into the lakes thus improving our lake ecosystems critical in maintaining high quality lakes.
5. Supporting and participating into Canadian Geese control and culling efforts. Increased number of geese are becoming a nuisance for many areas around the township. Goose droppings are a significant factor in higher levels of phosphorus directly entering our lakes and can be a public health hazard.

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Thanks for your consideration to include these factors into the Albert Township Master Plan. Our TLPOA will continue supporting your efforts in developing the plan. If you have any questions or comments to these suggestions, please don't hesitate contacting us.

Best regards,



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