

**MINUTES**  
**Greater Good Hart Association**  
**August 4, 2008**  
**Annual Meeting**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Bill Shepler.

A motion was made by Fred Hoffmann to approve the agenda as presented and seconded by Nancy Buskirk. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Fred Hoffmann to approve the minutes of the 8/06/07 Annual Meeting. Seconded by Nancy Buskirk. Motion carried.

Financial Report

Carolyn Sutherland noted there were two corrections to the financial report.

Dues should be reduced by \$121.00

Postage should be reduced by \$52.00

Motion made by Sally Lamkin to accept the Financial Report and seconded by Fred Hoffmann.

President's Report

Bill Shepler stated that Dick Guyor and Tom Dansbury have been working on the seal coat issue of Lamkin Drive as a community project. He also thanked the Cruise committee for a very successful and fun evening.

Social Committee

Connie Cobb announced that the Summer Solstice picnic was well attended with the presence of approximately 100 people and was enjoyed by all.

Jane Cardinal is in the process of writing a book that will include the interviews that were conducted with local people regarding the history of the Good Hart area.

Larry Wallen reported that there has been some discussion about not having the cruise next year. President Shepler called for a vote from those interested in having the cruise next year. A majority of those in attendance want to have the cruise again. Carolyn Sutherland stated that she has received many positive comments about the cruise. She suggested that a survey be sent to the people who attended this year for their input. The Board will discuss this further at a later time.

### Beautification

Paul Matthews has been taking care of the garden at the corner of Robinson Road and M-119.

### Public Comment

Susan Carson attended the recent Emmet County Lakeshore Association meeting where the featured topic was botulism in Lake Michigan. She brought forms from the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council we can all use to track dead birds and fish along the lakeshore.

When a mass of dead birds and/or fish are found on specific sections of the beach, contact the DNR at 800-292-7800 to report them.

If there is evidence of a bird or fish on the beach displaying no chance of survival, contact Kevin at the Tip of the Mitt watershed Council (347-1181}. Once they have expired, the Council would prefer to have them frozen and put in a bag for further inspection.

Also, an invasive reed (Phragmites) is growing in certain beach areas at the waters edge. It is crowding out native plants and animals. Susan Carson and Sally Lamkin will research how the reed is harmful, how it can be identified, and the possible eradication of this reed in a safe way. Anyone with questions may contact the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council.

### New Business

President Shepler presented the following nominees for the Board of Directors of the Greater Good Hart Association for 2008:

Bill Shepler  
Jack Bodt  
Larry Wallen  
Carolyn Sutherland  
Fred Hoffmann  
Jeanne Katz  
Jeff Woerner

Motion made by Sally Lamkin to accept the slate as presented. Seconded by Connie Cobb. Motion carried.

### Public Comment

Larry Wallen stated that anyone interested in being on the Greater Good Hart Association Board should make that known to the board.

The next meeting date is August 3, 2009.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Pat Allerdig