

LMBIA BOARD MEETING – Nov. 15, 2016 @ 7:30 pm- At the BONFIRE

Members present: Tom Hess, Cliff Willhite, Shirley Kronbeck, Laurie Boll, Dan Fitterer, Robert Hantge, Steve Hatlestad, Stan Kittelson, Linda Larson, Tim Plehal and Steve Stepien. Visitors: Andy Nissen and Ross Macmullan who are new property owners on the lake.

President Tom Hess called the meeting to order. October minutes were reviewed previously by all. Tom asked for motion to approve and accept the corrected Secretary's report. Cliff made a motion and Linda 2nd the motion. Shirley gave the treasurer's report. Tom asked for a motion to approve the treasurer's report and Robert so moved and Dan 2nd. Tom asked if there are any other bills. Bills were presented by Stan who had an RMB bill from Paul Virnig for \$300 and Robert Hantge present a bill from Piehl, Hanson, and Beckman PA for \$233.

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MB2 Project update: Tom informed everyone that the weather cooperated and Lindberg Construction recently completed the MB2 project. After the funds from DNR and County AIS, the LMBIA share of the cost is \$5666 yet to be paid. Construction costs came \$1400 over the original estimate and Tom said that the Meeker SWCD Board will approve this amount. Land owner, Roy Nygaard and LMBIA have a 10 year agreement that LMBIA will maintain the project.

MBO Project: Steve Stepien reported that the cleaning out of the cattails of the MBO project was completed by Reckert Excavation.

Water Quality: Stan handed out the 2016 Lake Minniebelle Lake Monitoring Report. Stan did a thorough job explaining the statistics.

Newsletter/Directory Sub-Committee: Steve Stepein reported that he had the committee met at his place to discuss ideas on ways to gather lake property ownerships changes. His hope for the future is to have a better system for future mailings with a bar code. He stated that Randy Buboltz has the LMBIA data base up to date and it may help to contact the personnel at the courthouse at planning and zoning for assistance.

Newsletter: Tom mentioned that Marilyn Buboltz and the Schmidtbauers did a good job on the fall/winter newsletter. Everyone agreed.

MCAL/AIS Treatment: MCAL is asking for cooperation and input to work with DNR, Ron Graham. Work needs to be done on a grant proposal for AIS treatment. The board discussed if we should apply to treat any curly leaf or use the 25 acres on milfoil treatment. We have a total of 25 acres to work with. Lake Sylvia has just found starry wort. We need to adopt a plan on boat inspections at the landing.

Lake Level Monitoring: Tom stated that there is a Lake Level Monitor on the old Don and Mary Koch dock. He asked for a volunteer to take this one and monitor lake levels. Stan came forward and said he would take this on.

Chain of Lakes Study: Tom mentioned that there will be a Chain of Lakes Study meeting on November 29th at the Cokato City Hall.

Cost of Ads LMBIA Directory: Steve Hatlestad brought up the issue of the need to set what the cost should be for ads in the 2017 LMBIA Directory. There was discussion on different prices for pages sizes. Half page will be \$40, three quarter page will be \$75, and a full page ad will be \$100, plus an additional \$20 for color. Robert asked all in favor of these prices say "I". Prices approved by all. No nays.

December Meeting: There will be no official December meeting but we will have a LMBIA Christmas get together at the Bonfire on the third Tuesday.

Adjournment: Tom asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Robert made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Stan seconded it.

Respectfully Submitted – Secretary, Laurie Boll

