

LMBIA BOARD MEETING April 23, 2019 @ Bonfire

Meeting called to order by Steve Stepien. Members present: Steve Stepien, Steve Hatlestad, Stan Kittelson, Julene Schatz, Todd Kuechle, Robert Hantge and Laurie Boll, (Kristi Ties, Tom Rotz, were present via cell phone. Absent: Kristin Jaquith and Don Kotila.

Minutes from previous March meeting were reviewed and motioned to approve by Julene, second by Stan.

Treasurer's report was submitted by Todd K. He gave a brief report. New bills: Safe Deposit Box rent from Center Bank for \$15 and the cost of the Beckville Church ground's AIS Signs in the amount of \$372.62. Robert H. made a motioned to approve the treasurer's report and Steve H. 2nd it.

Old Business Updates

Bees & Butterfly Project. Trees removal is complete.

Lake Monitoring: Stan informed everyone that he has been doing a "deep water test" yearly since 1977 and MPCA does not require it. Board made a unanimous decision not to do this test anymore, since the data is inconsistent and doesn't provide any useful information.

Beckville Church Landing: Steve H. informed the board that the Beckville Church Council does not want to close it to shoreline fishing. Kristi asked about the posting signs that have been purchased. Steve S. said the sign about "well water is available for your minnow bucket could be put up".

West Landing: The board reviewed the Greenleaf Township decision to close the landing. Board has approved a gate to be installed at the west landing. Included in this conversation via phone were Kristi and Tom. Steel posts and chain with a lock will be used. Kristi offered to order a digital or combination lock. She will have it shipped to Steve H. There was discussion about installing a camera, but the board thought it probably would be vandalized.

MCAL Report: Steve said that Karen Langmo reported on boat inspections and AIS task force expenditures on county lakes. Also Steve S. said Wright County will not be able to operate the regional inspection program until they are compliant with the law or the laws are changed.

Comprehensive Lake AIS Plan: Steve S. informed the board that there will be 7 days a week boat inspections at the DNR landing. Costs will be billed thru the county to the association. Addendum was filed and signed with a proposed 620 hours up to a cost of \$11,780. Steve H. made a motion to approve and Julene seconded it.

Volunteer AIS Inspectors Training: AIS training will be held Saturday, May 4th from 9am till noon at the Stay and Play Daycare Center in Litchfield put on by the DNR officer Travis Kinsell. Info on this training was also posted on Facebook.

Spring Newsletter and Directory: Kristi asked if the Newsletter that was sent to the board via email was ok. Board said it looked good with no changes. She said the Directory is also ready for publication.

NEW BUSINESS

Annual LMBIA Meeting will be held July 20th @ 10am. Stan will contact Linda Larson for her help with Coffee and juice. Stan will also contact Virginia Latham for her homemade rolls. It was decided that the replacement for resigning President, Cliff Willhite will wait till the Annual meeting. Jeff Bullert is interested to be a board member. Deadline for nominations will be by the June LMBIA board meeting. Tom Rotz via phone made a motion to wait till the Annual Meeting for a new replacement and Julene 2nd that motion.

Adopt A Highway: Don is overseeing the ditch cleaning and he has scheduled it for Wednesday, May 1st at 5:30pm and meet at the DNR landing. In case of rain it will be May 2nd.

Adjournment: Tom Rotz made a motion to adjourn and Kristi 2nd it.

April meeting minutes submitted by Laurie Boll, Secretary