

Courte Oreilles Lakes Association

Board of Directors Monthly Meeting

May 27, 2022, 2:30-4:00pm

MEETING MINUTES

- I. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 2:30pm
- II. Roll Call: Board members present included Chris Bedwell, Mark Laustrup, Shelley Paine, Dick Laumer, Kevin Horrocks, Jim Coors, David Zimmer, Paul Eckerline, Kurt Schroeder, Steve Umland, Rick O'Neill. Visitor: Ed Packee
- III. Approval of Meeting Minutes from April 22, 2022: APPROVED
- IV. Reports
 - a. Treasurer's Report - Shelley: Shelley presented her monthly financial report. Motion to accept financials from Chris Bedwell, seconded by Mark Laustrup, all voted in favor. Financial report approved.
 - b. Committee Reports (50 min total time allowed to cover all committee discussions)
 - i. Clean Boat Committee – Mark: In the process of getting supplies for solar unit/sign. No applicants for the clean boat monitor job. A good solution was to ask for volunteers to work 1 day and spread out the work amongst several board members and volunteers.
 - ii. Grant Administration Committee – Jim: see below notes re: discussion topic
 - iii. Fishery/Water Safety Committee – Mike: Mike sent an email with his recap for what he will cover at the annual meeting on June 25th.
 - iv. Eco Harvester Committee – Kevin & Dick: work is progressing and should be done by end of week. Met with Brett on scheduling. Hard to schedule because of unpredictable weather. Brett's crew might stay on the reservation portion of LCO. Mark volunteered to do satellite. Kevin has purchased some weeding equipment.
 - v. AIS Committee – Steve: waiting for DNR for chemical application approval. Steve showed us an AIS buoy. Discussion of locations for AIS buoys. We will communicate the locations to COLA partners.
 - vi. Communications Committee – Jim: The next SELT will be on bears. We continue to send eblasts as needed. Shelley volunteered to be a volunteer coordinator. Will need communication on annual meeting. Jac is putting together a new website and would appreciate comments.
 - vii. Fundraising Committee – NO REPORT
- V. New Business (5 min discussion)
 - a. Ed Packee reported a possible encumbrance of public property near the Town of Bass Lake boat ramp on Court Oreilles Lake Drive. Ed said a private landowner cleared public land and made a path to the lake and is treating the land as his own. We determined that the land is owned by the Town of Bass Lake. Steve agreed to follow up with Sawyer County and Bass Lake on the matter.
 - b. LAKE MANAGEMENT PLAN AND DASHBOARD written by Limnotech. Submitted last December - Jim: we need to accept the plan. Chris has a copy. We will ask for Gary Pulford's comments, e.g., tribe should be part of the plan. Chris will email it to us.
 - c. Jim: need to communicate deteriorating water quality. Jim will work with Hans and Alf.
- VI. Old Business (10 min discussion)

- a. Annual meeting on 6/25 – Timing 9-9:30am business meeting and 9:30-10:30am informational session. Finalize topics for presentation based on committee structure - AIS, EH, WDNR legal actions, Fishery, Shoreline buffers etc Chris showed a draft agenda on screen. Send your presentations to Chris and she will assemble. Meeting must be communicated via eBlast. Agenda finalized for the meeting.
- b. Grant administrator position – Jim: Allison not interested but may change her mind. We have 3 potential interested individuals, but they must be given direction. Jim suggested we meet with them immediately following the annual meeting on June 25 if they are present to give them an idea on what COLA is looking for in the position. Jim will communicate with the three volunteers.
- c.

VII. Closed Session – COLA legal matters (15 min). Alf was not present, so we did not have a closed session.

VIII. Adjourn 3:58