

Courte Oreilles Lakes Association

Board of Directors Monthly Meeting

Zoom Only

December 8, 2023, 2:30-4:00 PM

MINUTES

I. Call To Order

Chris Bedwell called the meeting to order at 2:32 PM.

II. Roll Call

Chris Bedwell, Jim Paine, Shelley Paine, Mark Lastrup, Dick Laumer, Logan Quiggle, Steve Umland, Kurt Schroeder, Jeff Aspenwall, Mike Persson, David Zimmer, Caitlin Hagar-Kuhn, Rich Hosch, Alf Sivertson

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes from October 27, 2023

A motion to approve the Meeting Minutes was made by Kurt Schroeder and seconded by Steve Umland. The vote was unanimous.

IV. Reports

a. Treasurer's Report (5 min)

- \$28,858 in new donations
- Purchased trailer tags for the Eco-Harvester
- ESRI software renewal with reduced licenses to save \$500
- \$10k in legal expenses
- \$11,424 paid to LCOCD for water quality testing

A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Mark Lastrup and seconded by David Zimmer. The vote was unanimous.

b. Committee Reports (40 minutes total time allowed to cover all committee discussions)

i. Clean Boat Committee – 5 Minutes

- Report from i-Lids coming in late December or early January
- 15,000 hits as of November

ii. Fishery/Water Safety Committee – 5 Minutes

- Musky Bay spawning report – continue working in the spring on a small scale to clear a small area and plant eggs there and see how the musky respond

iii. Eco-Harvester Committee – 10 Minutes

- Logan Quiggle is meeting with Dick Laumer to go over Eco-Harvester details and get caught up to speed
- Eco-Harvester is still at Evergreen waiting for the latest repairs to be done

iv. Fund-Raising Committee – 5 Minutes

- A fundraising follow up eBlast will be sent out in the next month

v. AIS Committee – 10 Minutes

- AIS report sent on 12/15 to Austin and Scott with WDNR
- Still hopeful for a meeting with the WDNR soon. Scott with WDNR to review the report and sit down with his upper management to get answers to our questions.
- Point Intercept survey still undecided for 2024 or 2025 – Steve Umland will discuss with Dan Tyrolt with tribe to get his opinion and proceed with his suggestion.

vi. Communications Committee – 10 Minutes

- SSC announcement went out on 12/7 to the membership
- Facebook page is currently managed by Jim Coors and Mark Lastrup. Suggestion was to create an organization email account for social media usage vs using personal accounts. Chris Bedwell and Caitlin Hagar-Kuhn to follow up separately on this.

V. New Business (5 Minutes)

a. New Board Member: Rich Hosch – vote to replace recently vacated position

- A motion to approve the addition of Rich Hosch to the board was made by Kurt Schroeder and seconded by Shelley Paine. The vote was unanimous.

b. 2024 Board Meeting Dates (4th Friday of each month)

- Virtual Only Dates: 01/26, 02/23, 03/22
- Virtual and In Person Dates: 04/26, 05/24, 06/28, 07/26, 08/23, 09/27, 10/25, 11/22

c. Boat Wake Proposed Legislation Response

- Sawyer County Board of Supervisors passed a resolution for Sawyer County lakes requiring minimum of 700' from shore, no less than 30 ft depth, and a minimum of 1,500 acres for elevated wake boarding and wake surfing. COLA board unanimously agreed to write a letter of support in favor of Sawyer County's resolution.)

VI. Closed Session – COLA Legal Matters (15 Minutes)

VII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Steve Umland and seconded by Caitlin Hagar-Kuhn. The vote was unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 4:10 PM.