## COLA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES



## May 26, 2017

**Present from Board:** Kris Sivertson, Gary Pulford, Mark Laustrup, Chris Bedwell, Jim Coors, Kevin Horrocks, Steve Umland

Present from Committees and Guests: Alf Sivertson, Dan Tyrolt

**Recording Secretary:** Mark Laustrup

Kris Sivertson called the meeting to order at 3:10 PM.

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion to accept the April 28 minutes was made by Jim Coors and seconded by Gary Pulford. The vote was unanimous.

**Treasurer's Report:** Chris Bedwell provided Profit/Loss statement for May. The account has a balance of \$5503. She mentioned that COLA budgeted \$8500 for membership dues but only \$5000 has been received. Gary Pulford said that there will be big demands on the budget over the next month for shoreland restoration projects and that the Foundation will need to cover them in the short term. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Mark Laustrup and seconded by Steve Umland. The vote was unanimous.

2017 AIS: Steve Umland stated that COLA got the \$20,000 for quick response grant for Little LCO and the need to keep track of volunteer hours; COLA will need to generate \$7,000 in in-kind contributions. There is \$4200 left in the account to treat Big LCO. Last week Steve went out with the contractor and mapped CLP beds. Treatment will occur next Wednesday or Thursday if conditions allow. CLP on little LCO was also mapped last week. There will be no treatment of Barbertown Bay or Stucky Bay this year. Gary Pulford asked that everyone keep an eye out in Barbertown Bay when they go to Trails End Resort. Steve Umland mentioned that Mark Sundeen (WDNR) may show up for treatment and that COLA is now on a spot treatment path. The bill for treatment of Musky Bay is be around \$8400 and the contractor may not charge for the pretreatment survey.

**2018 Impaired Water List:** Dan Tyrolt and Gary Pulford sent of memo to WDNR requesting whole lake designation and WDNR agreed, based on dissolved oxygen. The pictures of dead whitefish plus profiling data brought the WDNR on board. The profiling

data showed that in July/August DO goes to 0 at 38-39 feet. The designation will probably be adopted in October and submitted to USEPA in January. The memo sent today makes the link between phosphorus and low DO; phosphorus in the western third of lake exceeds the 15 ppb standard.

**Grower Discussion:** Closed Session

**SSC Update:** The request for site specific criteria (10 ppb) is sitting on the governor's desk. If the governor agrees, the proposal will then go to the Natural Resources Board. The decisions by the governor and the NRB will determine what approach COLA will take.

**Jensen Letter:** Gary Pulford stated that Jensen's NRCS reference was problematic in that Ron Spiring has never been contacted by Jensen. Ron Spiring is writing a letter to Jensen, telling him what NRCS can do for him.

**Musky Spawning Habitat Project:** Mike Persson worked with Gary Pulford, Frank Pratt, Max Wolter, and a WDNR fisheries technician to identify a 1500-foot stretch on the east end of Musky Bay. They determined distance and depth of silt. Approximately 1700 cubic yards of material need to be removed. The dredged material will be pumped into 150' x 120' bags. There may be a problem with finding locations to place the bags. The estimated cost from the contractor is \$127,000. Mike is getting a couple more estimates. He suggested that the dredged material will have to go back in to bay to make it cost effective.

**Shoreland Mapping Proposal:** Steve Umland explained use and importance of base line data. Gary Pulford mentioned that protocols being developed by WDNR for shoreland surveys and COLA needs to make sure any survey complies with the protocol. Dan Tyrolt mentioned a company that does this professionally. Steve Umland will check contact them. Kris Sivertson asked for more information and Steve Umland will provide it at the next meeting.

**Annual Meeting:** Kris Sivertson handed out a draft agenda. The business meeting will run from 9-9:45 AM. Doug Miskowiak (UW-SP) is unable to attend but will provide video. Chris Bedwell will provide a treasurer's report and John Berg will represent the Foundation. Look at agenda to explain. Doug's video will follow. Steve Umland will cover invasive species and Kris Sivertson and Gary Pulford will cover phosphorus standards. Kris Sivertson will provide updated agenda to the board.

**Communication Priorities:** Jim Coors said the next SELT issue will cover the Broken Arrow shoreland restoration project and the following article may focus on the monitoring of the boat landing.

**Website Update:** Jim Coors and Susan Kendrick are working on an update. The current website clunky and hard to navigate.

**2017 Shoreland Buffer Work:** Kris Sivertson stated that the budget has room for 5-6 projects beyond Broken Arrow. That will take us to the budget maximum.

**Preliminary Lake Audit:** A proposal to audit LCO was turned down. The results of the audit would not add anything to what we're already doing.

**2017 Picnic:** The picnic will be held July 15 at Trails End Resort and Kris Sivertson is working out the details on food, cost, etc.

**NW Lakes Conference:** The conference is in Hayward this year on June 16 from 9 AM-3:45 PM. Steve Umland and Mark Laustrup said they would attend.

**Grindstone meeting:** The Grindstone Lake Association will hold their annual meeting July 1 at the Bass Lake pavilion, Kris Sivertson, Gary Pulford and Mark Laustrup will attend. Kris Sivertson will talk to Karen about setting up a meeting between the two lake associations.

**Need for 501(c)(3) Access:** Mark Laustrup said that in order to receive a software discount COLA needs to submit a proposal under the not for profit designation. Mark will speak with John Berg to use the Foundation in the grant application.

The meeting adjourned at 5:25 PM.