

COLA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING MINUTES



May 31, 2019

Present from Board: Kevin Horrocks, Gary Pulford, Chris Bedwell, Mike Persson, Steve Umland, Dick Laumer, Mark Lastrup

Present from Committees and Guests: Alf Sivertson, Dan Tyrolt

Recording **Secretary:** Mark Lastrup

Kevin Horrocks call the meeting to order at 3:08 PM.

Approval of Minutes: A motion to accept the April minutes was made by Chris Bedwell and seconded by Steve Umland. The vote was unanimous.

Treasurers Report: Chris Bedwell said that there is currently \$3232.00 in the checking account. Membership fees of \$2325 were collected in May. Diane from Waterfront contacted COLA regarding \$136.56 sitting in an account that was dormant – those funds were COLA's in an old bank account. There were expenses paid to the Foundation and to Limnotech and \$100 was paid to support the gathering for the turtle study. Kevin Horrocks asked about the legal budget and Alf Sivertson said we're in good shape. There is Limnotech money in the budget for DOD work. WDNR finally paid the 2018 bill (\$20,000) for AIS treatment in 2018. A motion to accept the report was made by Chris Bedwell and seconded by Steve Umland. The vote was unanimous.

1. New Board Members: Jeff Aspenwall has agreed to serve on the COLA board. Will be working on AIS grants. He needs to be voted in at annual meeting.

2. SSC/CWA Update: Closed Session

3. USACE East Basin Project: Dan Tyrolt got the Corps proposal and it is now being reviewed by legal. Once given the green light by the Tribe, it will go back to the Corps. Dan said they will need to inform EPA once the agreement is finalized. In a related matter, Gary Pulford received a Limnotech 3-page memo on monitoring design. It lays out what needs to be done to answer WDNR questions. The cost is estimated at \$35-40K for monitoring to answer HOD questions. In essence, Limnotech is developing procedures for the Corps to follow.

4. Point Intercept Report: Dan Tyrolt and Gary Pulford met to update the Aquatic Plant Management Plan specifying new goals and triggers for AIS treatment.

5. 2019 AIS Management Update: Steve Umland said that the pre-survey has been completed. The survey did not identify very much CLP in the lake. We've gone from 90-acres to less than a tenth of an acre. Steve wants to hand pull instead of using chemicals. There is a half-acre clump of Eurasian Milfoil in west basin that does need chemical treatment. Gary Pulford said he found CLP at the east end of Musky bay and collected 40 GPS points locating the plants. Density ranged from a few plants to clumps the size of a pontoon. Steve and Gary will go out this weekend to look at the beds. Dan Tyrolt will have a suction barge to aid in plant removal but not this year.

6. Musky Bay Spawning Habitat Update: Mike Persson provided an update from Limnotech. Mike will forward the report to add as an addendum to the minutes. There is no time frame for the project as we need to find the money to complete it. We will have a design within the next month.

7. Foundation: COLA and the Foundation are looking for ways to maximize the effectiveness of donations to the Foundation and dues to COLA.

8. Membership Database Management: The records are being moved to a relational database. We have 207 paid members as of today. This is low for this time of the year. New memberships will result from the Annual Meeting and the Picnic. Steve Umland said that we have a better PR effort now than we've ever had. Demographics are changing; young people are buying to rent. Barret has completed the real estate update to who are members of COLA and the Foundation and those who are not.

9. Annual Meeting: Kevin Horrocks provided a rough draft of the agenda. Mike Persson needs map of buoy locations graphic for his presentation. Kevin will provide agenda to Jim Coors for an email blast. We still need judges for 4th of July boat parade.

10. Picnic: Kevin Horrocks needs to speak with Michelle Horman at Trails End Resort. Mike Persson suggested 50-50 raffle as a fund raiser.

11. Clean Boat Training and Cleaning Stations: Eli Robbins has gone through the training. The signage for zebra mussel cleaning stations is \$500 for each sign. The WDNR will not currently allow these facilities at their ramps. Cleaning stations will have to be a next year project as there is no budget for it.

12. Shoreline Monitors: Steve Umland and Dick Laumer will work on it this weekend.

13. Time in Kind: Keep track of all hours working on COLA projects. AIS and Clean Boats have time in kind.

14. AIS Grant Writing and Admin: Jeff Aspenwall has joined the board to handle this task.

15. Shoreline Restoration: Steve Umland still has work to do on BACA. Jo Yanish is working to restore the hillside on Throughfare Road at the channel.

16. Communications: Coasters have been ordered.

New item: Steve Umland mentioned guy who won't be a COLA member because of the mission statement.

Adjourn: 5:05