

COLA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING MINUTES



July 27, 2018

Present from Board: Kevin Horrocks, Gary Pulford, Mark Lastrup, Steve Umland, Dick Laumer, Kris Sivertson

Present from Committees and Guests: Alf Sivertson

Recording Secretary: Mark Lastrup

Kevin Horrocks called the meeting to order at 3:05 PM.

Approval of Minutes: A motion to accept the June minutes was made by Gary Pulford and seconded by Chris Dick Laumer. The vote was unanimous.

Treasurer's Report: Chris Bedwell was not present. There is no Treasurer's Report for July.

Picnic: Kevin Horrocks summarized shortfalls of the July 2018 COLA Picnic; next year there will be water and diet soft drinks and a specific time for drawing will be announced.

BACA Photos of Shoreline Improvement: Gary Pulford and Steve Umland will get together to schedule the photo shoot.

AIS: Steve Umland met with Wisconsin Lake and Ponds. They finished the point-intercept work on LCO and Little LCO yesterday. Over 3000 points were sampled and they stopped sampling efforts at 19-feet. They will provide a report summarizing the results. They found that more natives are coming back in the bays that were whole treated earlier. The bad news is that Eurasian Water Milfoil (EWM) is increasing while Curly Leaf Pondweed (CLP) is decreasing. Large concentration of EWM were found in the west basin. Gary Pulford said that EWM is much more potent than CLP. Steve Umland will contact WDNR to get a permit to treat the bed on an emergency basis. Another bed was located at the Whitefish Creek mouth and also at the mouth of Stucky Bay. It was suggested that buoys be placed to mark the beds. Steve Umland made a motion for the Board to allow him to buy buoys to mark beds. The motion was seconded by Dick Laumer. The vote was unanimous. Steve Umland said that we have two different bills that separate the work done on LCO and Little LCO. Steve needs time in kind hours; no one has turned in any. The Time in kind form online. Dick Laumer will forward the form to everyone on the Board.

Wisconsin Lakes Donation Request: Given the state of the COLA budget for 2018, Kevin Horrocks suggested that we should forgo the donation as we've already payed membership dues for 2018.

Windigo Lake Cooperation Inquiry: The lake association wants to set up no wake area. Spider Lake and representatives from Grindstone attended meeting. This may be an opportunity to reinvigorate the watershed approach. A suggestion was made to get Jeff Aspenwall on the Board and hand off the coordination effort to him. Kevin Horrocks stated that they aren't in our watershed and we should work with them on as needed basis. We should keep in contact and as opportunities arise, take action.

Sand Lake Noise Hours: Kevin Horrocks said that it is not really a noise ordinance but a controlled use ordinance. Bass Lake Township covers 80% of LCO so they would have to agree and pass same ordinance. Keep an eye on what Bass Lake does.

Corps of Engineers/LCO Tribal Musky Bay Spawning Restoration Effort: The Tribe voted to accept the cost share agreement and the proposal is back in the Corps lap. We are waiting for feasibility study from the Corps.

Membership Records: Alf Sivertson said that the work is 25% complete in comparing our ownership records to Sawyer County records tracking change in ownership.

Amended COLA By-Laws: Alf Sivertson handed out a draft for review. The following changes were agreed upon IN ADDITION to Alf's proposed changes in the draft:

Article IV (Meetings) 2. The Annual Meeting shall be announced ~~in the spring issue of the Loon Call and~~ through email and direct mail notification to the organization's members at least ten (10) days prior to the designated date for the Annual Meeting. Publication shall include the date, time and location of the Annual Meeting. **3.** The agenda for the Annual Meeting including business items to be voted upon and the names of nominees for Director will be posted at the Meeting place and other locations ~~and will also be available from the Secretary~~ five (5) days prior the Annual Meeting. Business items not referenced in the agenda may be discussed but shall not be voted upon. **5.** Special Meetings of the Membership for any purpose may be called by the Board of Directors or by petition signed by twenty-five (25) Regular Members submitted to the Secretary. Notice of such meeting indicating the date, time, place and purpose of said meeting shall be mailed ~~or emailed~~ to all Regular Members at least fifteen (15) days prior to the date of the meeting.

Article V (Board of Directors) 2. ~~Three (3) or four (4) Directors shall be elected each year at the Annual Meeting of the membership. Directors shall be nominated and elected so as to provide at least two (2) Directors from each Director Zone.~~ 11. (The Secretary shall:) ~~D. Keep a current record of all Regular Members with their mailing addresses;~~

A motion to approve amended by-laws was made by Kris Sivertson and seconded by Steve Umland. The vote was unanimous.

SSC/Federal Clean Water Act Point Source Action: executive session

Sawyer County Boat Wake Ordinance/LCO Lakes Boat Wake Education: Kevin Horrocks reported that Dale Olson said that the county doesn't have the authority to pass the ordinance. Townships have that authority. Kevin went on to say that wake boats are the biggest selling boats nationally and that COLA should look at an education program on water courtesy, focusing on LCO. Kris Sivertson agreed to head up an effort for a next spring roll out.

Forest Erosion EVAAL Assessment: Gary Pulford said that UWSP provided a fascinating report but now what do we do with it? How do we get the information out and in use by the local foresters? It was decided that Gary Pulford, Mark Lastrup and Kevin Horrocks will get together to develop a strategy for distribution.

Adjourn: 5:10