

# COLA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## MEETING MINUTES



**August 24, 2018**

**Present from Board:** Kevin Horrocks, Gary Pulford, Mark Lastrup, Steve Umland, Jim Coors, Paul Eckerline, Chris Bedwell

**Present from Committees and Guests:** Alf Sivertson, Jeff Aspenwall

**Recording Secretary:** Mark Lastrup

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

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion to accept the July minutes was made by Jim Coors and seconded by Steve Umland. The vote was unanimous.

**Treasurer's Report:** Chris Bedwell handed out the Profit and Loss statement and reported \$2800 in the checking account. She had to pay picnic (\$2100) , AIS expenses and attorney fees in August. Steve Umland asked about separating point intercept costs from other AIS expenses. The Wisconsin Lakes membership is due (\$750) and she was instructed to pay it. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Mark Lastrup and seconded by Paul Eckerline. The vote was unanimous.

**LCOFI Update:** Alf Sivertson summarized the Foundation meeting and said that they were focusing on the legacy fund.

**AIS Update:** Steve Umland said that COLA was approved for the emergency application for Eurasian Milfoil and that the applicator has been informed. There will not be enough money in the grant to cover the cost. It was decided that next year's budget will include a rapid response line item to cover potential costs. Kevin Horrocks asked Steve to come up with a cost estimate. The pre-survey next year will tell us what we need to do to treat Milfoil and it is much more difficult to treat than CLP. The emergency treatment is just for the west basin. Steve will meet with the applicator on the water to film the treatment. Kevin Horrocks volunteered to snorkel and ID plants prior to treatment. Steve said that the cost of buoys to mark the AIS beds is still unclear and that the only place to get them is from Round Lake Marina. It was decided to wait until 2019 to update the AIS brochure.]

**Musky Bay Update:** Mark Lastrup mentioned that Dan Tyrolt said that USACE will cover the cost of the study but probably not the construction because Musky Bay isn't on the LCO Reservation.

**Shoreline Restoration Update:** The last of the grant money is being spent at a Paul Eckerline property. They need to figure out how to remove boat lifts without dragging on shore. The work at Chris Bedwell's is complete and it looks very good.

**Water Gage Correction:** Jim Coors said that there is something wrong with the designated OHWM; it's too low. The measurements will be rechecked and then COLA will decide what to do. Gary Pulford made a motion to turn in the individual who clear cut to the bank near the gage (Thoroughfare Bridge). Kevin Horrocks will measure to see if the clear cut is within 35-feet of the shore.

**SSC/CWA Update:** Executive Session

**Cisco/Whitefish Update:** We may have dodged a bullet this year with the cooler temperatures but there is currently no cold water habitat with DO at 6 or above anywhere on the lake.

**Sawyer County/NRCS EVAAL Update:** Ron Spring told Gary Pulford that they had \$100,000 in cover crop contracts but won't share the information. Gary wants to FOIA to confirm the statement. Farm surveys were part of the original agreement. A motion to FOIA both the county and NRCS for the information was made by Gary Pulford and seconded by Jim Coors. The vote was unanimous.

**Forest Inventory Update:** Larry Partridge, the WDNR tax forester, is reviewing the UWSP report and will meet with Gary Pulford, Mark Laustrup and Kevin Horrocks to provide input on steps forward. Jim Coors will test drive the online app.

**Board Membership Drive:** Kevin Horrocks suggested that until new board members are recruited, teams of a few people should be formed to deal with issues as needed. Kris Sivertson will head up outreach for wake boat education.

**Lake Management Plan Review/Update:** Many of the standards agreed on between COLA and WDNR in the LMP are not being enforced by WDNR. Gary Pulford and Kevin Horrocks will head up the effort to develop the addendum. Steve Umland will provide an AIS update later this fall. Jeff Aspenwall asked if reinvigorating the COLA committees might be something to think about to create more participation. To be active, you have to be retired. We have full time residents, part-time residents and vacationers to draw from. How do we target? Alf Sivertson asked that we need to identify the key committees for the next board meeting. Kevin Horrocks will put together a draft.

**Cranberry Industry Communications Plan:** Executive Session.

Adjourn: 5:15 PM.