



## COLA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### MEETING MINUTES

May 22, 2015

**Present from Board:** Kris Sivertson, Gary Pulford, Mark Laustrup, Steve Umland, Steve Lilliblad, Paul Eckerline

**Present from Committees:** Alf Sivertson

**Recording Secretary:** Mark Laustrup

The meeting was called to order at 3:10 PM by Kris Sivertson.

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

**Treasurer's Report:** Steve Lilliblad reported that the current balance is over \$11,500 and with money due from the Foundation, it will approach \$14,000. Dues are still coming in and COLA will be in good shape this year. Steve Umland indicated that the bills for CLP treatment are pending and additional expenses will be incurred because of additional acres treated in Musky Bay and permitting fees. A motion to accept the budget report was made by Gary Pulford and seconded by Paul Eckerline. The vote was unanimous.

**Shoreland Buffer Grant:** Kris Sivertson has been in discussion with two contractors to date; Natures Design and North Star. Three inquiries have come in because of the Loon Call article and the fishing club in the west basin is interested. Gary Pulford said that we need to make sure all contractors meet Sawyer County standards. Kris expects a middle to end of June start. An additional mailing will go out to 60 property owners who are out of compliance with the Shoreland ordinance offering help with their projects. Kara Fitzpatrick will finish up the parcel map in the Thoroughfare Road neighborhood. A contract has been finalized with the county to do follow up at a cost to COLA of \$6,000 over four years. A motion to approve the contract with Sawyer County was made by Paul Eckerline and seconded by Steve Lilliblad. The vote was unanimous.

**Boat Parade:** Paul Eckerline worked with Tom Jones to work out the details. People will meet on Wismo Point on July 4 at 2:30 PM and leave at 3:00 PM. COLA will

provide \$200 for trophies. Make sure to post the event in the newsletter, on Facebook and on the web site.

**Feedback – Loon Call, Short Ears, Tall Tales:** The response to Kathy Hanson's work has been positive. Her next assignment is a piece on the COLA/Tribe partnership.

**CLP Update:** Steve Umland indicated that Stantec treated yesterday (May 21) and that they found 20-acres in Musky Bay instead of 5-acres that had been proposed. A new public notice to treat the remaining acres will be published on Wednesday and they will return next week to treat the remainder. They will then do the follow up to check the results. WDNR will not allow the canal in Stucky Bay to be treated even though is a navigable water.

**Town of Bass Lake Proposed Reserve Strip Ordinance:** Mark Lastrup provided an overview of the proposed ordinance. Reoccurring violations within the reserve strip provided the impetus for the Bass Lake supervisors to request the Planning Committee to develop an ordinance to address the issue. The draft ordinance includes financial penalties as well as the potential loss of access to the lake for a minimum of one year. The ordinance has been shelved until the surveying of town property on Grindstone and Lac Courte Oreilles has been completed.

**COLA/LCOFI Relationship:** Kris Sivertson said that there appears to be some misunderstanding about Foundation money and what can be done with it. COLA does not need Foundation approval at the project level. COLA has money to carry Susan Kendrick through the end of the year and a budget will be submitted to the Foundation next year to cover her contract. Alf Sivertson indicated that the Foundation is working to establish an endowment.

**WDNR's Latest COLA Blow-off:** WDNR's (Sylvester) latest stall tactic will be ignored. Limnotech will have work completed on the development of a phosphorus to dissolved oxygen relationship by July 1 and a revised Site Specific Criteria will be submitted to WDNR sometime in August with a request to initiate the approval process.

**Frank Pratt's TDO-3 Assignment:** Gary Pulford summarized the work Frank would do related to the TDO-3 analysis. The work is expected to require 40-hours with costs not to exceed \$1500 plus expenses. The work is to be completed by July 30. A motion to approve the expenditure was made by Paul Eckerline and seconded by Steve Umland. The vote was unanimous.

**TDO-3 Modeling by LimnoTech:** Gary Pulford said that LimnoTech suggested that prior to modeling, they should analyze the data to see if modeling would be appropriate. The cost would be \$5000. A motion to approve the expenditure was made by Steve Lilliblad and seconded by Paul Eckerline. The vote was unanimous.

**Susan Kendrick Contract:** Kevin Horrocks, Gary Pulford, and Kris Sivertson will meet with Susan next week and based on the results of the conversation, present the offer or not. Jim Coors will coordinate all communications. A motion to approve the contract

was made by Paul Eckerline and seconded by Mark Lastrup. The vote was unanimous. A motion to provide Sue Horrocks with a \$100 gift certificate for all her work was made by Kris Sivertson and seconded by Paul Eckerline. The vote was unanimous. Alf Sivertson said that Trails End Resort wants COLA coasters and would like COLA signs to display, front and back.

**Finalize Annual Meeting Agenda:** It was decided early on that the tone of the meeting should be positive and up-beat. There were questions about being positive with WDNR obstructionism rampant.

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 PM.