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Houghton Lake Improvement Board Regular Meeting Minutes January 28, 2020

Call to order by Chairman Deamud at 7:04 pm.

Members present were Jack McCauley, Matt Peterson, David Russo, Rex Wolfsen, Keith Stiles, James Deamud and Norm Fullmer.

Alternates present were Chip McCullough, Robyn Daniels, Lynn Baese and Howard Hatherly. Dick Pastula and Tim Muckenthaler were absent.

Motion by Mr. Russo and supported by Mr. Stiles to approve the minutes of the September 24, 2019 meeting as presented. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Motion by Mr. Wolfsen and supported by Mr. Peterson to approve the agenda as presented. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Motion by Mr. Russo and supported by Mr. Deamud to accept the following treasurer's report. Account balances as of 1-28-20 are Checking \$13,646.51, Money Market \$401,474.18 and a CD balance of \$305,997.28 for a total of \$721,117.97. Year to date expenses totaled \$307,131.73. Year to date assessment revenue is \$224,672.46 with approximately \$236,000 still outstanding. This motion also includes authorizing the HLIB treasurer to transfer \$100,000 from the Money Market account to the six-month CD account. Members voting in favor of the motion were Mr. McCauley, Mr. Stiles, Mr. Russo, Mr. Peterson, Mr. Wolfsen and Mr. Fullmer. Motion carries.

Michigan Lakes and Streams Conference is May 1 & 2 at Crystal Mountain.

Motion by Mr. Russo and supported by Mr. Stiles to remove property 006-210-007-0000, a retired parcel number from the 12-1-2019 milfoil assessment roll and add to the 12-1-2020 assessment roll property 006-210-007-1000. Members voting in favor of the motion were Mr. McCauley, Mr. Stiles, Mr. Russo, Mr. Peterson, Mr. Wolfesen and Mr. Fullmer. Motion carries.

Motion by Mr. Russo and supported by Mr. Wolfesen to authorize the HLIB Treasurer to adjust the milfoil roll on behalf of the HLIB Board in conjunction with the respective township officials for the duration of the Treasurer's term. Members voting in favor of the motion were Mr. McCauley, Mr. Stiles, Mr. Russo, Mr. Peterson, and Mr. Wolfesen. Mr. Fullmer abstained. Motion carries.

Motion by Mr. Fullmer and supported by Mr. Wolfesen to approve a contract presented by Spectrum Reach for 2020 television and digital advertising. The contract includes 3,628 television spots and digital online video and display with geo-fencing for an estimated 250,286 impressions to run between 4-17-20 through 9-13-20. Total cost of the contract is \$8,310 which includes \$810 for production of a new ad. Members voting in favor of the motion were Mr. McCauley, Mr. Stiles, Mr. Russo, Mr. Peterson, Mr. Wolfesen, Mr. Deamud and Mr. Fullmer. Motion carries.

HLLA-HLIB boat wash update-HLLA representative Pat Inman presented to the board the 2019 AIS final activity report. The boat wash station season lasted from May 20, 2019 through October 5, 2019 with a total of 82 days that the boat wash station was manned. 1787 boats were surveyed, 4028 boaters were engaged, and 272 boats were washed. The 2020 proposal will be presented at a later meeting. Full report attached.

RLS Report-Jennifer Jones and Mike Solomon presented to the board a power point presentation of the 2019 annual report. Jones identified other invasive species other than Eurasian Water Milfoil as potential issues in the future. Other species include curly-leaf pond weed, starry stonewort and purple-lossestrife. Jones compared the Middle Grounds before and after treatment with ProcellaCOR. In June of 2019 there was a 45.3% coverage of EWM compared to 17.2% after treatment. She also stated that native

vegetation was beginning to reemerge. The 2019 Annual Report will be posted on the HLIB website.

Dr. Scott Herron presented to the board a proposal for reestablishing a rice stand of approximately 50 acres in Muddy Bay. He indicated that 2500 pounds of seed would be required to seed the proposed acreage. Cost estimates range from \$8,414 to \$11,014 depending on the availability of seed. The consensus of the board was that a more local source be used as compared to Wisconsin or Minnesota seed.

Motion by Mr. Stiles and supported by Mr. Wolfson to continue with the rice project that was approved at the September 24, 2019 regular meeting not to exceed \$15,000. Members voting in favor of the motion were Mr. McCauley, Mr. Stiles, Mr. Russo, Mr. Peterson, Mr. Wolfson, and Mr. Fullmer. Motion carries.

Motion by Mr. Russo and supported by Mr. Wolfson to adjourn at 9:35 pm. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Next Scheduled Regular Meeting
Markey Township Hall
March 24, 2020
7 pm

Respectfully submitted
Norm Fullmer
Secretary-Treasurer