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Houghton Lake Improvement Board Regular Meeting Minutes July 24, 2018

Call to order by Board Member Chairman Deamud at 7:00 pm.

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

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

Motion by Mr. Peterson and supported by Mr. Wolfsen to approve the minutes of the June 26, 2018 meeting as presented. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

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

Treasurer's report-The following are bank balances as of 7-24-18. Checking \$18,954.85, Money Market \$618,459.15 and a CD balance of \$400,000. Total funds available are \$1,037,414. Year to date expenses totaled \$34,356.25.

Craig Cotterman gave an update on the boat wash project for Houghton Lake. He introduced Keith Rubin as the full time boat wash attendant for Houghton Lake. Between July 10 and July 20 Mr. Rubin had presented information on invasive species and the benefits of boat washing to 161 individuals and had wash 19 boats.

Vickie Springstead from Higgins Lake provided an audio of a radio spot used to communicate the dangers to lakes of invasive species. A short discussion followed about making similar radio or TV spots for next season. Mr. Peterson, Mr. Russo, Ms. Daniels and Mr. Fullmer volunteered to work with Dr. Jermalwoicz-Jones on an information campaign for 2019.

Dr. Jermalowicz-Jones and Mike Solomon representing RLS presented to the board maps of proposed treatment areas of EWM and offered four options to the board. ProcellaCOR by SePRO was offered as one of the options for some areas of the lake. SEPRO offers a three season warranty for the areas treated with ProcellaCOR. RLS also reported that approximately 790 acres of starry stonewort was found during the annual survey but recommended that no action be taken at this time since it is not affecting navigation. Some harvesting of canals was also recommended.

Motion by Mr. Wolfsen and supported by Mr. Russo to accept option 3.5 offered by RLS for the 2018 lake treatment not to exceed \$678,000 contingent on approval by the DEQ to use ProcellaCOR on some areas of the lake. Traditional products Sculpin G and OTF would also be used in areas where ProcellaCOR was not used. Those members voting in favor of the motion were Mr. McCauley, Mr. Stiles, Mr. Russo, Mr. Peterson, Mr. Wolfsen and Mr. Fullmer. Chairman Deamud passed. The motion carried.

Candidates seeking the position of Riparian member to the board were Lynn Baese, Jack McCauley, Jim Mikolaizik and Craig Cotterman. Each offered a short presentation as to why they would be the best choice.

Motion by Mr. Russo and supported by Mr. Peterson to appoint Jack McCauley as the Riparian representative to the board for a four year term. Those members voting in favor of the motion were Mr. Russo, Mr. Deamud, Mr. Peterson and Mr. Wolfsen. Mr. Stiles and Mr. Fullmer voted no on the motion. The motion carries.

Motion by Mr. Russo and supported by Mr. Peterson to adjourn at 8:48 pm. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Next Scheduled Regular Meeting
Lake Township Hall
September 25, 2018
7 pm

Respectfully submitted
Norm Fullmer
Secretary-Treasurer

