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Houghton Lake Improvement Board Regular Meeting Minutes August 23, 2016

Meeting called to order by Chairman Deamud at 7:05 pm. Chairman Deamud led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call. Members present included James Deamud, Rex Wolfsen, Matt Peterson, Jack McCauley, Keith Stiles and Norm Fullmer. David Russo was absent. Alternates present included Robyn Daniels, Howard Hatherly, Dick Pastula, Lynn Baese, Chip McCullough and Gary Stefanko. Gary Stefanko filled the vacancy on the board as Mr. Russo's alternate.

Motion by Mr. Stiles and supported by Mr. Wolfsen to approve the minutes of the August 10, 2016 special meeting. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

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

Treasurers report-Treasurer Fullmer reported a balance of \$224,745.18 in the checking account and \$662,442.42 in the money market account. To date expenses totaled \$68,190.50.

Motion by Mr. Wolfsen and supported by Mr. Stefanko to accept the treasurers report as presented. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Mr. Fullmer distributed the 2016 audit results to the members. No corrective action was recommended by the auditing firm of Baird, Cotter and Bishop.

Howard Hatherly reported to the board progress regarding a permanent boat wash at the south DNR boat launch. The DNR and DEQ have given approval to a collaborative agreement between the Houghton Lake Lake Association and the Houghton Lake Improvement Board to pursue a boat wash project.

The “Five year plan” committee set a meeting for September 27, 2016. The location will be the Houghton Lake Elks lodge at 6 pm.

The assessment committee met with three of the township assessors to discuss issues regarding the milfoil assessment district. Revised criteria was requested by the assessors who asked that several items be clarified to provide more consistency to the assessment process.

RLS Report-Jennifer from RLS had presented a proposal at the 8-10-16 meeting to treat approximately 500 acres of milfoil with Sculpin ranging from 81# per acre in sensitive areas of the lake and at 180-200# for less sensitive areas. Jennifer further proposed treatment of approximately 450 acres of starry stonewort with “Clipper” at 200ppb. Following lengthy discussion regarding the proposed treatment areas the board did not alter its decision made 8-10-16 to treat the areas as recommended.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Wolfsen and supported by Mr. Stefanko at 9:10 pm. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Next Regular Meeting
September 20, 2016
Lake Township Hall
7 pm

Respectfully submitted
Norm Fullmer
Secretary-Treasurer