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Houghton Lake Improvement Board Regular Meeting Minutes January 22, 2019

Call to order by Chairman Deamud at 7:03 pm.

Members present were Jack McCauley, Matt Peterson, David Russo, Rex Wolfsen, James Deamud and Norm Fullmer. Robyn Daniels sat in for Keith Stiles who was absent.

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

Motion by Ms. Daniels and supported by Mr. Peterson to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2018 meeting as presented. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

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

Motion by Mr. Russo and supported by Ms. Daniels to accept the following Treasurer's report. Account balances as of 1-22-19 are Checking \$15,558.90, Money Market \$193,715.60 and a CD balance of \$300,000. Total funds available are \$509,274.50. Year to date expenses totaled \$737,052.20. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Carrie Brown from Spectrum presented to the board a proposal for television spots that will tell the story of Houghton Lake and the efforts that are being taken to help preserve the lake.

Motion by Mr. Russo and supported by Mr. Wolfsen to accept the Spectrum proposal in the amount of \$7950.00. A total of 2390 spots will be run between 4-19-19 and 9-22-19 Monday thru Sunday between the hours of 5am and 12 midnights on eight networks. Those members voting in favor of the motion were Mr. McCauley, Ms. Daniels, Mr. Peterson, Mr. Russo, Mr. Wolfsen and Mr. Fullmer. Chairman Deamud passed. The motion carries.

Craig Cotterman and Pat Inman representing the Houghton Lake Lake Association presented to the board a four page document outlining the results of the 2018 boat wash project. The HLIB had contributed \$10,000 to support the project in April of 2018. The report states that \$5,297.17 was used and that a balance of \$4702.83 remains. The board requested that the HLLA prepare two proposals, one each for one boat wash and one for a second boat wash in 2019.

RLS-Dr. Jennifer Jones and Mike Solomon reviewed the 2018 Annual Report and the 2018 treatment results. Ten four foot cores were sampled and tested with most showing copper sulfate sediment in the upper strata of the sediment. Matt Peterson inquired about re-establishing wild rice in the lake. After discussion he requested that RLS contact Dr. Scott Herron asking for an estimated cost for a project that would replant rice in the Muddy Bay area. Other areas were identified as possible locations for rice but the consensus was to begin in just one of the areas.

Also discussed was the opportunity to incorporate the Spectrum proposal to support other activities. Chairman Deamud suggested telling a story regarding HLIB and HLLA efforts throughout the summer. Topics that were suggested included invasive species alerts, boat wash information, and spots with grandparent and grandchild discussing the preservation of the lake for generations to come. Dr. Jones said she would begin working on scripts.

A committee was formed to compose a set of by-laws for the Houghton Lake Improvement board. Mr. Daniels and Mr. Russo volunteered for the assignment. In addition Mr. Russo and Mr. Fullmer will prepare a budget proposal for the April 23, 2019 regular meeting.

Motion by Mr. Russo and supported by Ms. Daniels to refund \$100 for 2018 assessment per Roscommon Township Assessors request on property 011-211-007-0180. Property was classified as 1MF6 back lot commercial. Property was reclassified as residential by the assessor and is not in the assessment district. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Motion by Mr. Russo and supported by Ms. Daniels to refund \$210 for 2017 and 2018 assessment for Lake Township property 006-600-003-0000. Property purchased 9-23-16 is contiguous with property 006-600-002-0000. All members voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Motion by Mr. Russo and supported by Mr. Wolfsen to refund \$310 for 2016, 2017 and 2018 assessment for Lake Township property 006-013-007-0440. Property is contiguous with property 006-013-007-0220. All members voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Motion by Mr. Wolfsen and supported by Ms. Daniels to adjourn at 8:54 pm. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Next Scheduled Regular Meeting
Markey Township Hall
April 23, 2019
7 pm

Respectfully submitted
Norm Fullmer
Secretary-Treasurer