

CEDAR LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT

Meeting Minutes – May 22, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M. on May 22th, 2018 at the Town of Alden Town Hall by Chair Don Demulling.

Members present: Don Demulling, Dan Davison, Dan Early, Joe Demulling, Jim Reckinger and Warren Wood. Ted Johnson was absent. Also present were consultant Cheryl Clemens and lake resident Dennis Cornhill.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Davison seconded by Early. Motion carried.

· Public Comments: None

· The minutes of the April 24, 2018 meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes by Wood, second by Reckinger. Motion carried.

· Treasurer's Report. Reckinger gave the treasurer's report for year to date 2018. The report showed a total balance on hand as follows:

Total balance:	\$261,856.19
Non-lapsable fund balance:	\$32,485.02
Committed to alum treatment:	\$117,466.11
Committed to alum monitoring:	\$37,500
Committee to other grants:	\$0
Net available funds:	\$74,405.06

Motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Joe Demulling, seconded by Early. Motion carried.

· Alum Treatment. Various scenarios for the next alum treatment were discussed. Bill James supports doing a treatment earlier than 2020, if financially possible, due to the encouraging results he has seen from the first treatment. In addition, we have received notification that our grant application for \$200,000 has been approved and can be used for the next treatment. This grant, plus assessments, plus using some existing funds would allow us to do a treatment in 2019 rather than 2020 and do the alum application at a higher rate which would bring our total alum applied to the lake 50% of the total recommended dosage. HAB has provided quotes for various treatment options for 2019. A motion was made by Early, seconded by Wood to recommend to the lake residents (at the annual August meeting) that we proceed with doing a 2019 treatment of 30% of the total recommended dosage bringing the total we will have applied at that point to 50% of the recommended total. Motion carried. The cost quoted by HAB is \$593,661. \$200,000 of this will be covered by the grant we will receive and the balance by assessments which will have been collected at that point and existing funds on hand.

· Eurasian Water Milfoil Volunteer Report. Reckinger reported that the previously approved AquaView Fieldmasters had been purchased. Steve Schieffer will be at the lake in June to spot check areas and areas already affected by milfoil. Schieffer has given the volunteers advice on which areas of the lake to check and to focus on. Reckinger stated we now have 6 volunteers to help monitor the lake.

Clemens asked for suggestions for content for the next newsletter. Among the items suggested were:

- a. State that there is still a potential for algae blooms as we only applied 20% of the recommended alum dose.
- b. Recommendation by the Board to do an alum treatment in 2019 as described above.
- c. AIS Volunteer monitoring.
- d. Clean Boats – Clean Waters.
- e. Fisheries information from DNR report.
- f. Shoreline Plantings.
- g. Shoreline Inventory Measurement information.
- h. Shelter on the north end.
- i. Mailing will be around July 15th.

· Clean Boats – Clean Waters. Early stated we have 6 paid people set for the upcoming season. He stated that the monitoring staff will try to mention to people to stay away from the area that is already affected by the milfoil. Staffing levels will be weighted toward earlier morning and later afternoon.

· Insurance. Wood and Reckinger had met with Craig Berquist regarding our existing insurance policies and had found some areas where we could drop or modify coverage and therefore save some money. Annual premiums went from \$1,782 to \$1,212.

· Parcel Detachment. Davison contacted Ron Siler and Siler is drafting a new legal description for the parcels contained in the district. This will then be recorded with the county.

· Budget 2018-2019. Reckinger presented a preliminary budget for the coming fiscal year. After a substantial discussion, he will revise some figures and it will be reviewed and approved at the June meeting.

· Annual Meeting Agenda. The annual meeting will be Saturday, August 4th at 9:00 AM at the Star Prairie Town Hall. Cheryl will contact Steve Schieffer to see if he is available to speak on the milfoil issue. If not, Don Demulling will contact Kasey Seibert from the DNR to see if she would be available to speak about the latest fisheries report. Commissioners up for election this year are Wood and Reckinger.

Board Member Reports:

Demulling stated that the ice out date was May 2nd and boards were put in the dam on that day also. The buoys were also installed on May 2nd. Don Demulling stated some new labels for the buoys have been purchased and will be put on in the fall.

There was a fish kill this spring and it has been discussed with the DNR. They took some fish to test but feel it was a normal kill based on the long winter and as a result, depleted oxygen conditions. Many lakes in the area reported the same type of kill. One Twin Cities television station did a story on the kills in east metro lakes.

Agenda items for the next meeting will be: alum treatment, milfoil, newsletter content, CBCW, parcel detachment, annual meeting agenda, board member reports.

The next meeting will be Tuesday June 26, 2018 at 5:30 PM at the Alden Town Hall. Motion to adjourn by Reckinger, seconded by Early. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 P.M.

Minutes submitted by Dan Davison, Secretary