

Wixom Lake Improvement Board
Meeting Minutes
June 10, 2015
Billings Township Hall

Meeting called to order by Chairman Doug Enos – 6:00 pm

Board Members Present: Wilma Thurston , Doug Enos, Robert Kelley, Ray Drumright, Robert Evans, Jim Leigeb , and Larry Woodard*

Board Members Absent: Sandra Aultman, Dennis McBride

Others in Attendance: Paul Hausler and intern from Progressive AE; Bre Grabill from PLM Lake and Land Management Corp, and no people from public.

Pledge of Allegiance

Doug Enos announced that Larry Woodard was proposed as a candidate to fill the vacant member at large position on the Wixom Lake Improvement Board by the Wixom Lake Association. Doug Enos asked for recommendations of additional candidates for the position. There were none. Jim Leigeb made a motion to formally nominate and approve Larry as new member at large. Motion seconded by Wilma Thurston. Chairman Enos requested other nominations for member at large in triplicate. None were brought forward.

Board members present approved the motion.

Motion carried. Larry was then seated with the board for a 4 year term.

A discussion about secretary ensued. Robert Kelley nominated Ray Drumright as secretary. Jim Leigeb seconded the motion. Board members present approved the motion. Motion carried. Ray will serve as secretary for the remainder of the 2015 meetings.

Approval of Minutes:

Board members reviewed minutes from the May 13 2015 meeting

Motion to accept and file minutes by Jim Leigeb, seconded by Robert Kelley

Board members present approved the motion

Motion carried

Correspondence:

Copy of lake treatment permit from DEQ entered into board file. Relative to previous years there are some minor changes to the boiler plate language of the permit including permissible ways to treat algae. Copper sulfate cannot be used within 20 feet of an active fish bed. Not over 100 ft of shoreline of an individual parcel can be treated. Expect further modifications to the language in permits in the future as DEQ clarifies positions on different topics.

Insurance certificate for PLM entered into board file.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Paul Hausler, Progressive AE, handed out packet of information that included maps with treatments that have been carried out this year and an article from LakeLine (Spring 2015) titled 'Do you want something that works?' The article discusses efficacy of different types of treatments for lake weed control.

Curly leaf pondweed is in abundance this year. The plant produces seed pods that sink into sediment and can lie dormant until conditions are good for growth. There will be more expense this year for treating curly leaf pond weed than in previous years. The good news is that it is relatively easy to kill. A survey of the southern portion of the lake was conducted on 6/10. Overall the previous treatments appear to have done well with the exception of an area between GPS waypoints 25 and 31 which will be retreated for milfoil at no expense. Canals look good.

New treatment maps based on the 6/10 survey will be generated by Paul and sent to Bre for treatment during the week of 6/15. Paul verbally described the areas on the southern portion of the lake needing treatment. Offshore milfoil was seen and will be treated. A few areas of wild celery were observed. The survey stopped around GPS waypoint 232. Survey of the northern portion of the lake will occur during the week of 6/15.

Paul will find and share a map of lake indicating positioning of concrete ramps. The information will be used to contact property owners about the possibility of using the ramps as transfer stations during weed harvest later in the summer.

Paul entered the project work journal into the board file covering Jan 1 2015 through May 22 2015

Robert Evans submitted a financial statement showing that as of 5/31/2015 the Wixom Lake Improvement Board balance was \$263,533.04.

Two invoices from PLM for treatment of the lake were submitted for payment. Paul indicated that he approved payment with the aforementioned caveat that the areas between GPS waypoints 25 and 31 be retreated at no cost. Invoice 145746 for treatment on 5/26/2015 for \$9,426.17 and invoice 145762 for treatment on 5/20/2015 for \$43,641.85. Robert Evans made a motion to pay the invoices. Jim Leigeb seconded the motion. All board member present approved. Motion carried.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Robert Kelley, seconded by Robert Evans. All board members present approved. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 6:52 pm.

Next meeting
Wednesday July 8th, 2015 at 6 pm
Billings Township Hall

Minutes submitted by Ray Drumright