

Waupaca Chain O'Lakes Protection and Rehabilitation District  
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Board Meeting Minutes  
May 5, 2018  
Farmington Town Hall

Chairman Ellis called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m. Present were Bob Dixon, Bob Ellis, Rick Hammen, John Hebbring, Caroline Murphy, Jerry Murphy and Cathy Raynor. Guests were: Kay Ellis, Ken Denow, John Miller and Brian Zalay (phone call-in).

Pledge of Allegiance

Open Meeting Statement – This meeting and all meetings of the Chain O'Lakes Board are open to the public. Proper notice has been posted and given to the press in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes so that citizens may be aware of the date, time, place and agenda of this meeting.

Approve or Amend Agenda – It was moved by Hebbring to approve the agenda, seconded and passed unanimously.

Approve or Amend Minutes of Last Board Meeting – It was moved by J. Murphy to approve the minutes of the January 29, 2018 meeting, seconded and passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report/Bills – Hammen reported a cash balance of \$71,829.48. Taxes were collected from the Towns of Dayton and Farmington. DNR Grant reimbursements of approximately \$24,000 were received. A \$14,540.40 bill was received from Onterra for the AIS-Established Population Control Project. J. Murphy thanked Bob and Kay Ellis for the extremely long hours of work done on the Grant.

Public Input – None

Unfinished Business

Grant Reimbursement and Grant Extension – The DNR planning grant was extended to December 31, 2018.

Member Survey Results on Website – The 2017 Stakeholder's Survey results have been posted on the Lake District website. Ellis will discuss comments at the Annual meeting.

Potential New Board Member/Treasurer - Ken Denow of Lime Kiln Lake was introduced as a candidate for the Treasurer position of the Lake District Board. He is a retired DNR employee, had worked for the Internal Revenue Service and has other financial experience. Hammen resigned from the Lake District Board. Hebbring moved to accept Hammen's resignation. It was seconded and passed unanimously. Ellis moved to appoint Denow to fulfill Hammen's unexpired term. It was seconded and passed unanimously. Ellis thanked Hammen for the many years of dedicated service as Treasurer for the Lake District.

2018 Treatment Plan from Onterra – Ellis reported that Bass and Beasley Lakes will have whole-lake treatments. Spot treatments are targeted for NE Columbia Lake, NW Lime Kiln Lake, NE Round Lake, NE McCrossen Lake, SE Nessling Lake, SE Rainbow Lake and E Sunset Lake. DASH will be performed in Lime Kiln and George Lakes. Brian Zalay suggested the herbicide treatment calculations for Beasley and Bass Lakes may not be correct. Ellis will investigate this with Onterra.

#### New Business

Legal Notification re Treatment – Legal notification of the herbicide treatment was published in the Waupaca County Post.

Postcard Notification re Spot Treatment Areas – Ellis mentioned that an email (or postcard if email unavailable) will be sent to the riparian property owners who will receive treatment by their shorelines. Kay Ellis worked diligently with the Lake District and the Chain O'Lakes Association mailing lists to map out the distance from a property to a treatment area for these notifications. If a treatment occurs adjacent to a property, a yellow sign will be placed on or near the dock or shoreline indicating date of treatment, herbicides used, and any pertinent restrictions on water use.

DASH Provider – Al Pahnke of Diver Assisted Suction Harvesting (DASH) from Suamico will be the DASH provider. Lime Kiln Lake and George Lake each have an area of hybrid water milfoil (HWM) Pahnke will harvest. Zalay felt the DASH is only effective in small areas. It was noted that herbicide spot treatment and the DASH method are allowed on the AIS-Established Population Control Grant.

Water Regulations and User Fee – John Miller, Town of Dayton Supervisor, spoke on the Chain O'Lakes water regulations and user fee. The Towns of Dayton and Farmington ordinances were last updated in 1998 and need to be revised. An attorney would have to read all ordinances and compare them to current laws for correct updating. Miller felt the websites of Dayton and Farmington should list information on water regulations and boating safety; the Welcome to the Waupaca Chain O'Lakes brochure should be readily available; and water patrol hours and funding should be increased. J. Murphy suggested that the boat liveries help pay for the brochures without advertising. Zalay suggested putting a tax on boat rentals.

Kuhn Letter – Joe Kuhn, Long Lake, mentioned many issues about water activity regulations on the Chain O'Lakes, over which the Lake District has almost no jurisdiction. Ellis feels the DNR will eventually need to instill stricter water regulations for the Chain. A new problem is the large-wake boats.

Next Meeting Date – The next meeting will be the Annual meeting on Saturday, August 11, 2018 at 9:00 a.m., Marden Memorial Center followed by a Board meeting.

All present signed the required DNR in-kind hours paperwork. At 9:55 a.m. J. Murphy moved to adjourn. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

Respectfully,

Cathy Raynor  
Secretary

Approved: August 11, 2018