

BEAR LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT

MINUTES Annual Meeting

September 2, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Church at 9:30 AM at the Hazelhurst Town Hall.

Attendance: Commissioners present: Jalinski, Primozich, Church, Austin and Klein. Absent: Jensen.

Motion to approve the minutes from the September 2, 2016 annual meeting made by Klein. Seconded by Patty Klug. Motion was unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report was presented by Austin. The report included annual report - June 30, 2016 to June 30, 2017. The report included an independent review by Elizabeth and Thomas Butler and all checks written for the year. Motion was made by Klug and seconded by _____. Passed unanimously.

Projects and State of Lake Report

Water quality. The report was made by Jalinski. Jalinski reported plentiful rain resulted in varying water quality. There has been an algae bloom which reduced water clarity to seven (7) feet and normally it is usually 10 feet. Weeds are relatively similar to last year. Ice was out early this year, which gives weeds chance to grow.

Loon report. Austin gave the report. He noted Loon project people have been on the lake several times. It is attached. The male and female were successful in hatching and raising one baby loon. The baby loon was banded night of July 20, 2017.

Clean boats, clean waters. Austins have agreed to continue monitoring landing for aquatic invasive species. They started before Memorial Day. They inspected 100 boats and spoke to 324 people. They explain they have to educate those launching boats as to need to inspect boats before and after launching boat. DNR is stepping up enforcement. Vegetation hanging off propellers or water in line walls could result in violations and ticketing.

Lake Management Plan Report. Church reported that the consultant will complete the report and make recommendations over the next six months. At the time of completion, we will convey a formal advisory committee to interact with the consultant. Rick Klein has become the Board liaison to the consultant after John Primozich relinquished the liaison position. Klein presented a report on tasks and status. Klein noted that questions and input are welcome by Dean Premo prior to completion. Klein circulated notecards for questions. Klein circulated a chart on Bear Lake aquatic plant occurrences for 2016.

Budget Hearing and Vote to Approve.

Austin described the change of the fiscal year to a calendar year and rationale for same. Tom Butler moved to approve budget as presented. Bob Borneman seconded the motion. A question was raised about the decrease in price of insurance. Apparently, Lake districts are infrequently sued so claims may be down. Questions were asked about fish stocking and clean boats and clean water. The motion passed unanimously.

Elections.

Chairman Church turned election over to Austin since he has decided to run for re-election. Rick Klein nominated Tom Church for re-election. There were no other nominations. Church was re-elected unanimously.

Public Comments.

A concern was restated about pan fish level in lake. Klein noted that the LMP consultant will address fish viability and levels.

Shawn Jacobi discussed the septic system cleaning.

Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracey Klein, Secretary