

BEAR LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT

MINUTES Annual Meeting

September 1, 2018

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

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

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes from the September 2, 2017 annual meeting made by B. Hamilton. Seconded by L. Bornaman. Motion was unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's Report was presented by Austin. The report included annual report from January 1, 2018 through August 27, 2018. The report included an independent review by B. Hamilton of all checks written for the year. Motion was made and seconded. Passed unanimously.

Projects and State of Lake Report

Water Quality: The report was made by Jalinski. The spillway boards are to be removed from October 1st to May 1st this year. Jalinski reported that the ice went out late and the initial water quality was cloudy. The water quality went back to normal by end of June. The annual algae bloom was not too significant. Clarity was 9 to 10 feet most of the summer.

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 two baby loons. The baby loons were banded mid-July 2017.

Clean Boats, Clean Waters: Austins have agreed to continue monitoring landing for aquatic invasive species. They started before Memorial Day. They inspected 143 boats and spoke to 309 people. The Austins put over 400 hours into this initiative this year. 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 completed the report and that the report was submitted to the DNR by the end of June. The DNR may provide comments, which will be incorporated prior to finalization. Austin noted that we will receive final payment from the state on the grant amount soon.

Budget Hearing and
Vote to Approve:

The proposed budget was presented by Chairman Church. Motion by J. Jacobi to approve and seconded by S. Jacobi. Unanimously approved.

Elections:

Rick Klein was unanimously elected to serve a three-year term as District Commissioner. Klein was nominated by Louise Church.

Public Comments:

J. Jacobi discussed the prevalence of common water snakes in the lake. B. Bornaman requested that the district bring in a biologist to speak at next annual meeting. Concerns were raised about the use of the lake by the Twin Lakes Association. The district was requested to locate a contact person.

Next Annual Meeting:

The next annual meeting was set for Saturday, August 31, 2019, at 9:30 AM.

Adjournment:

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

Respectfully submitted,

Tracey Klein, Secretary

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