

In the absence of an official Chairperson and the vice-chairperson being absent as well, Norm Wetzel was asked to chair meeting. The meeting was called to order at 10:00am in the Lac du Flambeau Town Hall and recognized compliance with the Open Meetings Act was recognized. A quorum of the Committee was present.

Secretary Hoover called roll. Members present included: John Bartosz, Roy Bodo, Roberta Gast, Celeste Hockings, Bryan Hoover, Kris LaMarche, Elaine Orstead, Gretchen Watkins, and Norm Wetzel.

Guests present included Colette Welch, Kay Hoff, and Bob Omelina.

The Agenda was approved as presented by voice vote following a motion to approve by Gast with second by Bartosz.

The Minutes of the April 15th, 2015 Regular TLC Meeting were approved by voice vote following a motion to approve by Gast, with a second by LaMarche.

Public Comments: Colette Welch asked the group a question about the membership of the committee and how members are selected. Bob Omelina explained that he was there on behalf of the Fence Lake Association. Bryan Hoover distributed a letter to the committee in regards to his resignation from the TLC.

Discussion and Action on Agenda Items

1. Financial Report

a. Presentation of Expense Report

Norm Wetzel presented the expense report for TLC Expenses for 2015.

b. Approval to purchase Spiny Waterflea nets

After discussion among the group related to the purpose and protocol for monitoring for Spiny waterfleas in area waters, the committee unanimously approved the purchase of a waterflea monitoring net at the less expensive option of the two quotes obtained following a motion by Hoover with a second by Orstead.

2. Action Team Reports

a. Watercraft Inspection

Kris LaMarche reported that AIS towels from the WDNR were still available for distribution at the landings if anyone wanted them.

b. Lake Monitoring

No report.

c. Public Relations

Celeste Hockings reported that she had developed a newsletter on behalf of the TLC that could and would be distributed electronically.

d. Purple Loosestrife

Roberta Gast reported on the plans and dates to dig plants with high schools students and that she needs help netting the plants on Weds 5/27/15.

e. Planning**i. Discussion of TLC Vacancies/officers**

There was a discussion among the group related to the member and officer vacancies on the TLC, and that the Chairperson and Secretary positions need to be filled for 2015. Orstead nominated and made a motion to elect Celeste Hockings as TLC Secretary for 2015. The Motion was seconded by Bartosz and carried unanimously. Gast nominated and made a motion to elect Elaine Orstead as the TLC Chairperson for 2015. The Motion was seconded by Bartosz and carried unanimously.

ii. Approval to fill vacancies

Norm Wetzel offered to forward the updated TLC members and Officers list for 2015 to the Town Board for their approval.

iii. Status of the Bear River Watershed Comprehensive Lake Management Plan

Norm Wetzel reported to the group that there has been no update given from the Town Board on the plan. It was also reported that the Tribal Council has approved the plan.

iv. Presentation on forming Lake Associations, June 13th, 2015

Norm Wetzel reminded the group that there will be a workshop held on 6/13/15 at the LdF Town Hall for the purpose of forming Lake Associations. Carolyn Scholl will present the workshop.

Tribal Report: Gretchen Watkins provided a report to the group on the Tribal activities underway for the season related to AIS.

Vilas County Partnership Report: No Report. Kris LaMarche offered to invite the new Vilas County Invasive Species Coordinator to the next LdF TLC meeting.

Letters and Communication: The Letter from Bryan Hoover regarding his resignation from the TLC was mentioned again.

The meeting adjourned at 11:09am by voice vote following a Motion to adjourn by Orstead with a 2nd by Gast.

Minutes Submitted by Bryan Hoover, TLC Secretary.