

***Pelican Lakes Association  
Board of Directors  
Meeting Minutes  
May 10, 2014***

**Call to order:** The meeting was held at the Pelican Town Hall. President, Art Weaver and called to order by the President at 9:05 AM.

**Members present:** Tracy Donovan, Jodi Eberhardt, Craig Norman, San Countryman (phone), Matt Stephens, Art Weaver, Dave Slipy, Tom McGrann (phone), Max Martz (phone), Ed Nordgaard (phone),

**Guest present:** Glen Gustafson, Clyde Clement

**Approval of previous minutes:** The board requests the Joe Ayers to send the March minutes for e-mail approval.

**Treasurer's Report:** The financial report emailed to board members by Treasurer, Craig Norman, was reviewed and discussed. Motion by Weaver/Eberhardt to approve the financial report. Motion Passed.

**Memberhsip:** Currently have 420 members. Record was 462 members. Goal this year of 500 members.

**President's Report:** The following topics were reviewed by President, Art Weaver and discussed by the board members:

- AIS Inspections: Pelican Township received a LGU Inspector grant for \$2500. Motion by Art/Dave to match the funds with \$2500 from PLA. Approved. DNR did not fund any hours for the Pelican Lakes. Volunteer hours will not cover necessary times – and will focus on the Breezy City landing. Motion by Dave/Tracy to authorize up to \$5000 to fund Breezy Point resort inspections. Approved. Art/Tracy to contact the resort. PLA will not be the employer for either location.
- AIS Funding: Legislative action provided funding for AIS programs at the county level. Clyde requested PLA to make connections with organizations that may be responsible for distributing funds. Clyde had already contacted elected officials. The following assignments were made for outreach:
  - Tracy – Crow Wing County - Chris Pence/Mitch Brinks and Tim Houle
  - Jodi: LARA and MNCola
  - Glen: 30 Lakes
  - Art: Carrie Ruud, Conservation Minnesota, and Jeff Forrester
  - Dave: John Ward

- Memberships: PLA currently belongs to Conservation Minnesota (501c3), LARA (Crow Wing County Lakes and Rivers Alliance) (501c3). Consider joining MN COLA (MN Coalition of Lake Associations) and MN Lakes and Rivers Advocates (501c4). Art/Dave motioned to join organizations. Approved.
- Building Usage: Jodi /Art motioned to put \$2500 to PLCC for use of building and providing space for water testing table and outreach.

**Vice President's Report:** The following topics were reviewed by Vice President, Jodi Eberhardt and discussed by the board members:

- Pondweed Grants: Have not heard back from DNR on pondweed treatment grant. New service, DiveGuys, will be able to hand-harvest in Stewart's bay. Art/Dave motioned to sign the PLM contract and approve hand harvesting – at a cost not to exceed a total of \$5000. Approved.
- Storm water grants: Balance of funds will be used for Breezy City Landing.
- Newsletter: Spring issue was sent. Lots of positive feedback on the new format. Next issue planned for end of June. Annual meeting postcard will be sent prior to then. Post card to include a reminder for people to join PLA. Craig requested a regular statement from the printer showing costs and advertiser income.
- State of the Waters conference: Excellent event, attended by 340 people. Learned about well water quality and the DNR's program to protect deep water lakes.
- Water Testing: Art/Craig motioned to accept AW Research contact for \$6500 for water testing. Approved. Jodi to sign this contract along with well testing contract paid by CWEPA grant.

**Annual Meeting Location, Date and Time:** June 28, 2013 at 8:30 AM. Topics to include: water quality, well testing, water softener salt, DNR on water quality/cisco, and a fishing report. Craig and Maureen will work on refreshments and supplies with Joanne.

**Committee Reports:** Reports were given by the Chairs of the, Water Quality, Invasive Species, Breezy Point Liaison and Beach Captains Committees. Beach Captain meeting is planned for June 7, 2014, 9am Pelican Town Hall. Will request additional volunteers for landing monitors and additional beach captains. Gooseberry Island Meeting planned for May 21.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be held on Saturday, June 21, 2014 at the Pelican Town Hall at 9:00.

**Meeting Adjourned** by President Weaver at 11:21 AM.

**Minutes respectfully submitted by Jodi Eberhardt on behalf of Secretary, Joe Ayers**