

PLA Board meeting minutes, March 1, 2019

Susan Koering, President, called the meeting to order at 9:00 am at the Breezy Point City Hall.

Present: Susan Koering, Tracy Donovan, David Spizzo, Jodi Billy, Chuck Lane, Bob Hamilton, Matt Stephens, Bob Vaughn, Jim Nickel, and Tom Moore and David Slipy by telephone.

Absent: Shu-Mei Hwang and Ted Brausen

Minutes: Previous Board Meeting, November 30, 2018, were reviewed and accepted.

Finances: Received a brief update from Dave Spizzo indicating continued progress and discussion of the budget being really last years' expenses with some adjustments. No action was taken.

Nominating Committee: Tracy will chair this committee made up of Thomas Moore, Bob Hamilton, Matt Stephens, and Tracy. Positions to fill are those of Tracy, Susan, Chuck Lane, David Spizzo and Bob Vaughn.

After the Board is voted on at the annual meeting, the board meets right away, (within a month or so) to select the officers.

Bylaws: Reviewed prior to the meeting with no changes needed.

Landing Monitor Report/Decontamination: Dave Slipy reported he has 3 trained Level 2 inspectors.

David expects a \$1,000 bill from Pelican Square for expenses for the car wash.

Plans for 100 hours of our inspectors at the car wash, 5 hours Saturdays and Sundays for 10 to 12 weeks totaling \$3,000 for decontamination.

Discussed the cell phone again, paying the \$1,000 to Pelican Square and having our inspectors on call for 3 days per week. Jodi Billy made the motion to do this, Bob Vaughn seconded, motion carried.

2019 AIS plan for Crow Wing County: Contact and meetings set up with Tom Watson. We want to show usage and develop a track record. Volunteer to help with the membership will meet when Mark Borden gets back in April.

Water Quality report: no report until spring. Central Minnesota Aquatics will test after ice out.

Prep for curly leaf: no further decision on control until after first inspections this spring.

Tree distribution: set for May 4 at Ace Hardware lot

Buoys: Lighted buoys were estimated to cost \$4,800 to light 29 buoys plus some extra from Jim Spielman added labor to install. There is \$5,000 in the budget for 2019 solar lighting of the buoys. Motion to approve and do this made by Jodi Billy and seconded by Tracy Donovan, motion carried.

Cormorant control plan: David Spizzo reported that the resort has obtained the license. There is \$2,000 in the budget for this control. Motion to go forward with the Cormorant Control made by Matt Stephens, seconded by Bob Vaughn, motion carried.

Jim Nickel later reported that with the snow and river walleye spawn, the DNR said the cormorant objective and fishing opener may be delayed.

Newsletter: Bob Hamilton reported the as income this year will be about \$10,560 compared to a total of about \$14,000 last year. We discussed that we need to determine a cost/page with Lakes Printing.

It is expected that the next newsletter will be mailed around April 6.

We hope to have an article about cabin rentals from David Williams available about March 21.

Dr. Henderson will have an article.

Annual Meeting: Paul Douglas will be our featured speaker. Also speaking will be Marc Bacigalupi, Brainerd Area Fisheries Supervisor, DNR.

We discussed the order of speakers and generally concluded our feature speaker, Paul Douglas, should be last. We suggested that the other speakers be limited to about 15 minutes, with our feature running no more than 40 minutes including questions and answers.

Next meeting to be 9:00 am May 2, at Palmer Grill.

Submitted by Tracy Donovan, Secretary