

Pelican Lakes Association Board of Directors Minutes

June 26, 2019

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

Present: Susan Koering, Tracy Donovan, Jodi Billy, Thomas Moore, Ted Brausen, Bob Vaughn, David Slipy, Matt Stephens, and Jim Nickel by phone. Absent were Shu-Mei Hwang, Chuck Lane, and Bob Hamilton. Dave Spizzo was at the site earlier and handed out financial statements but had to leave before the meeting started.

Announcements and discussion: Susan will post the minutes from last years' annual meeting at the upcoming meeting.

David Slipy brought up the "Free Boat Decontamination" cards and the signs. The cards indicate 11:00 to 4:00 with a phone number to call. Dave Thomas carries the phone and passes it to other inspectors when he is not available.

We discussed that wake boats are hard to inspect because the water in the ballast is hard to get totally out. It was pointed out that weeds on the boats and trailers are the real problem in transporting zebra mussels.

Secretary's report: Tracy Donovan reported that the revised minutes from the May 2 board meeting had been distributed to the board electronically.

Motion to accept was made by Ted Brausen, seconded by Jodi Billy and passed.

Water Quality Report: As Matt Stephens had to leave the meeting early, Matt reported that the water clarity was tested on June 16 and showed clarity to 23 feet.

Discussion tended to show the increase in clarity was probably due to the mussels.

Financials: Before David Spizzo had to leave, he distributed a Statement of Activity, January 1, to June 26, 2019.

It was questioned if we have paid the four associations we belong to and it was confirmed that these have just been paid.

It was noted that we have paid the approximate \$1,300 for cormorant control.

David Slipy moved and Bob Vaughn seconded accepting the financials. Motion carried.

Nominating Committee:

Consistent with the report from the May 2 meeting, Tracy reported that the slate for election at the annual meeting is Susan Koering, Chuck Lane, Bob Vaughn, David Spizzo, and a new member, Candy Rusk.

Formal Approval of business conducted between Board Meetings by e-mail: Had been so approved, TracPhone purchase, Curly Leaf Pondweed Treatment, and Cart for inspectors.

It was noted that because of the late spring and water warm-up there was no curly leaf treatment.

Landing Monitor Report/Decon Station Report: David Slipy reported that the TracPhone is working well. Dave Thomas carries the phone and passes it to Dale Johnson or Dave Federer.

Five boats have been cleaned so far. There were 56 in 2017.

David said he has been unsuccessful in getting Justin to put up the signs for Decontamination at Pelican Square. Justin has been busy and keeps putting it off. Dave has volunteered to put it up himself, but Jason keeps saying he'll get to it.

Jodi will call Mike Wiebolt and David will try to get it up before the Fourth.

David bought 5 signs for about \$361.00, 1 for each ramp and 1 at Pelican Square.

Jodi moved and Bob Vaughn seconded getting two more signs, one for Little Pelican landing and one for the Ace Hardware store. Motion carried.

We also agreed to add (in decals) the word "Free" for each sign.

We discussed the breakdown of county data for use of the decontamination. The County indicated there were no decons at Pelican Square for 2017. Apparently all were miscoded and shown to be at the City Ramp. Actually, most were done at the resort landing or at Pelican Square.

This has been corrected by incorporating the correct codes.

The County will allocate hours based on the newly collected data.

AIS Control: Bob will test Little Pelican for veligers. None found to date.

Fisheries/Forestry/Shoreline: Jim Nickel reported that the lighted buoys have been installed and there were 380 cormorants shot. The "autopsies" showed no walleye in the birds' stomachs, only perch and other bait fish. Assumption is the Cormorants eat the food of the walleyes, not the walleye themselves.

Newsletter: Susan reported that the summer issue has been distributed both by mail and e-mail. The deadline for the next issue is August 15 with distribution September 1.

Beach Captains: Candy Rusk will get a table set up for the annual meeting, to show where we need Captains.

Water Safety Youth Class: It was reported that PLA provided pizza and water for this years' class. There was a disappointing turnout of about 15. Next year we will try to help promote the class on Facebook.

Next year we will be providing life jackets. There was some discussion that the DNR could get such life jackets for a lower cost than us buying them at such as Mills Fleet Far.

The Chairman of our Safety group will look into this and plan for it.

Arrangements for the Annual Meeting: We discussed and planned for setting up at 4:00 on Friday afternoon.

We also agreed to have Candy pay a minimal amount for a Facebook ad, approximately \$20.00.

Meeting adjourned at 10:25.

Submitted by Tracy Donovan, Secretary