

PPA Board Meeting Minutes - February 10, 2024

1. Call to Order- 8:15 AM- Alysia
2. Roll- President- Alysia Hammel Vice President- Dave Hewitt
Treasurer- Pat Ebetino Secretary- Linda Minnick
District 1- NP District 5A- Marshall Minnick
District 2- Bernie Ebetino District 6- Jim Whitehead
District 3- Anthony Serianni District 7- NP
District 4- NP District 8&9- Terry Radtke
District 5- NP

Guests- Paul Erst D6

3. Review of October 14, 2023 Minutes- Linda

**Motion to Accept the October 2023 Minutes- Pat
Second- Dave
Carried

4. Treasurer's Report- Pat

A. November 2023

Checking Balance-	\$ 18,757.38
Accounts Receivable-	329.60
Total Current Assets-	94,086.98

December 2023

Checking Balance-	\$ 17,533.35
Accounts Receivable-	-178.40
Total Current Assets-	91,434.95

January 2024

Checking Account-	\$ 32,289.43
Accounts Receivable-	50,759.10
Total Current Assets-	158,048.53

B. Delinquent Dues -

- a. All delinquent paid by end of year

C. Investments- Nov. 27, 2023 purchased CD & opened Money Market

D. 243 Invoices mailed, 38% paid

E. Quick Books- \$694.43 annual cost

- a. Looking into desktop version to escape the annual fee

F. Girod property sold, others pending

**Motion to accept the Nov., Dec. 2023 & January 2024 Treasurer's report- Bernie

Second- Dave

Carried

5. Maintenance Report- Terry

A. Moles west levee

B. Water level -0.8

C. Waiting on Dave Moore to drill holes for gate, hasn't cleaned up at Hiawatha yet

D. Checked with EEI/Terracon/Kellen for final DNR dam inspection report. They haven't received report, DNR wants EAP

- a. Kellen recommended Breagan Eicher at Commonwealth Engineers, Inc., spoke with him, he gave Terry a copy of the DNR template, using our data they can complete \$8,000-10,000
- b. Breagan can contact DNR for our most recent past inspection for elevations to complete inundation map, etc.
- c. Bernie has most info already gathered using the Sylvan Lake template
- d. Terry recommends letting them complete and send in using our data, Bernie would like to complete his template and send to DNR
- e. Anthony- What documents do we already have? There would need to be a mechanism to evaluate current conditions to determine if you have a hazard and a set of defined actions to happen if those conditions are present. He is in favor of giving our collected data to an engineering firm, letting them

present to the DNR. Are we liable if we mess up and damage is suffered? Jim thinks yes, in a catastrophic event.

- f. Pat- perhaps Terracon would have needed data
- g. Alysia- we all agree to fill out the template ourselves to present to the DNR

6. Old Business-

A. STR

- a. Alysia was contacted by a potential lot purchaser considering an STR asking about fishing rules.
- b. She knows of at least 1 more added. What is the solution? Anthony is concerned, is getting letters of offers to buy his property. That if we don't make a decision it will happen by default. We need to decide what we are willing to accept. No STR or free for all, in the middle is regulation. Who would do the enforcement? We are obligated to make a decision based on maintaining the privacy of the lake. Bernie Section 1(O) can't use the lake for gain it's private property. Alysia agrees. Linda- Covenant 5 says we have a right to make special contracts with clubs and hotels. If we as a Board all agree no STR, have a vote, ask the membership how they want to enforce Cov 5. Discussion on special meetings, mail-in voting. Alysia- the Board has the authority to make the determination. Marshall- stop discussing, it's time to send a 1 page letter, we are reacting to complaints, if you fall into this category . . . Anthony- we have the right & responsibility to interpret and enforce this document, Sec 1(O) says they can't use the lake

*Motion- Send the letter - Bernie

Second- Terry Carried

B. Weed Control

- a. DASH \$1,300 deposit to reserve time on their calendar, \$1,300/ day, 5-10 days, 2 boats 2 crews
- b. Terry- 15 acres of Starry Stonewort, 30 days by his calculations. Linda- they want to treat an area to compare to chemically treated areas. Terry- up until 4 years ago we had complete control of the lake. Pat- weed study suggested increasing the Sonar Terry- we didn't consider if you take 1 plant out another will replace it, before dam reconstruction the problem plant was large leaf. Need to decide on one company. Recommends Donahoe for treatment. Stay away from the SSW areas, harvest the rest.
- c. Anthony- in the past Fluridone was the recommended treatment, plant population has changed, summer 2023 was Elodea and SSW they propagate by cuttings. Fluridone is not effective for Elodea in our situation. WACF would prefer DASH but their SSW acreage is too large to be affordable. Chemical alone will not eradicate SSW. In favor of \$1,300 deposit if refundable if not used.
- d. Pat- no decision has been made for April weed study, we need a plan
- e. Bernie- DASH is too expensive. If the chemical will kill off the plant part of SSW that is clogging up the lake that is what we should do.
- f. Alysia- Donahoe does respond to me

*Motion- Hire Donahoe (AWC) to do the April weed study with treatment plan- Jim

Second- Terry Carried

- a. Anthony likes the idea of 2 perspectives/opinions
- b. Discussion of timing for study/treatment
- c. Cost? will bring to March meeting

*Motion- \$1,300 deposit to reserve DASH treatment if refundable- Anthony

Second- Jim Carried 6 yay 2 nay

- a. Terry- Donahoe doesn't believe DASH probability of elimination vs cost is sustainable
- b. Bernie- concern Donahoe and DASH will clash in treatment areas, would alter Donahoe's plan
- c. Anthony- we should be able to evaluate and critique the plan, we need to be very transparent with members about the situation, we have an evolving problem and we are working as best we can to solve it as opposed to letting them think we should have all the answers

6. New Business

A. Set officers pay

*Motion- keep pay the same- Bernie

Second - Dave Carried

- a. Currently- \$ 2,000-President, \$ 1,000-Secretary, \$ 750 + 150/month bookkeeping-Treasurer

b. Prepare for filing taxes- Pat is meeting with Sally

7. Guest Comments

Paul Erst D6- no comment

8. Director Comments

1. Linda- someone has been cutting brush in the wetland, didn't pick up, Burn wetland?- Alysia will contact Dericke, Swans?- Alysia has permit, will contact
2. Jim- file move?-
3. Terry- am I mowing this year?

*Motion- Terry will mow this year, same cost as last year- Pat

Second- Marshall Carried

Some Ice still on the lake, water coming in from TriCounty

4. Bernie- PowWow, send items before end of February will send to Board before March meeting
5. Anthony- will attend WACF ecology meetings concerning LARE Grant, Workers Comp? 2 options- on PPA payroll we provide comp or have on file their private coverage
6. Pat- needs snow removal invoice

*Motion- Adjourn- Pat

Second- Anthony

Adjourn 10:53 AM

Next meeting: March 9, 2024 - Wawasee Middle School - 8:15 AM