

PLIB Meeting Minutes – 1/16/13

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm. All present with the exception of Arden.
2. Motion to approve minutes by Paul; 2nd Cathy – Motion approved
3. Public Comment
 - a. Rosemary Consoni – Rosemary presented the Board with some online research she completed in regards to weevils. She stated that she looked for reports or studies that showed weevils to be successful, however, the reports she found indicated weevils do not work to control EWM in a consistent proven manner. She suggested that the Board consider expanding the aeration system rather than adding weevils.
4. Correspondence was discussed and will be posted on our website.
5. Chair Report – Jim let it be known that he was unable to attend the Grant Writing Seminar.
6. Appearances: Jennifer Jones
 - a. Jennifer is no longer with Lakeshore Environmental and has now formed her own company called “Restorative Lake Services”. The Board asked some questions in regards to the new 2013 contract with this newly formed company. There was a brief discussion on the inclusion of adding soil sampling from around the lakeshore to the new contract in order to target problematic areas and/or any potentially nutrient rich areas due to septic issues.
 - b. Jennifer also brought in a quote from Enviroscience regarding the planned allotment of weevils designated for the east end of the lake. The quote was higher than anticipated so Jennifer will speak with Enviroscience about other options. In addition, Jennifer spoke about stocking locations and strategies and there was some discussion about grant money possibilities for weevils.
 - c. Motion by Cathy to sign the new contract by RLS for 2013; 2nd by Elaine. Roll call vote unanimous.
 - d. Cathy will have our attorney review the contract and make changes if necessary.
7. Old Business
 - a. Elaine is working with a representative from Emmet County on Paradise Lake’s inclusion in their annual Imagine Magazine. She will give a report on the feature next meeting.
 - b. Cathy asked Jennifer to get with John Tucci on an estimate to extend the aeration system to the NE section of the lake.
8. New Business - Jennifer will draft a newsletter for the next meeting.
9. Financial Report – Cathy mentioned the drastic differences in electrical usage between the compressors. She will attempt to uncover the reasoning behind it.
10. Public Comment – An audience member asked if we looked into the possibility of mechanical harvesting. Jennifer replied that it is not cost effective and it never ends.
11. Meeting Adjourned.