

PLIB Meeting 3/20/13 - Edited

1. Meeting called to order at 7:15; all present minus Arden
2. Motion by Cathy to accept minutes from the January meeting with an addition to get an estimate for laminar flow for the NE milfoil bed. Seconded by Elaine. Motion carried.
3. Public Comment – None
4. Correspondence discussed
5. No Chair report
6. Appearances – Jennifer Jones
 - a. Jennifer talked about the agreement with Enviroscience and placing Weevils in the north end of the lake. A \$13,000.00 maximum was set for the project. She also stated that she will apply for a grant to aid in the cost for weevils or for another compressor. Various grant opportunities were discussed and new surveys and studies will be completed in early spring.
 - b. At present, the plan is to turn the laminar flow system back on sometime in April but that is dependent on the “ice off” of the lake.
 - c. The draft copy of her Paradise Lake newsletter is complete
 - d. RLS (Jennifer’s new founded company) has partnered with Contour Innovations. This will help with lake studies and surveys from a plotting standpoint.
 - e. Cathy made a motion to allow Mike Solomon to purchase a Staff Gage for more accurate studies, Elaine seconded. Roll call vote unanimous. Mike will also install the gage.
7. Old Business
 - a. Elaine gave a report on the PLIB article for Imagine Magazine.
 - b. Jim talked about distribution for the magazine.
 - c. Cathy showed charts of electrical usage at our compressor sights along with an estimate for 2013. There was a brief discussion on electrical rates and the possibility of a discount. Chairman will talk to Consumers Power regarding our rates.
 - d. Grant Committee advises membership in Freshwater Future organization might afford us a better shot at a grant.
8. New Business
 - a. The lease with the MDNR for the boat wash station was addressed. Cathy looked at the contract and outlined some things that she felt should be reviewed by our attorney. Elaine will work with our attorney and the DNR to come up with a new mutually agreeable contract.
 - b. Elaine has the new website set up and made a motion to accept it as official. Cathy seconded. Motion approved.
 - c. Update to SAD Roll – Stephan K. Borgstrom was billed 2 times for the same parcel. The board approved the change.
 - d. On a side note, Cathy talked about hardship exemption protocol. Although the Board cannot do hardship exemptions, those in need can apply for deferment to the State or Treasury.

- e. Cathy gave our paperwork to our accountant for an audit with a \$2000.00 estimate. Cathy made a motion to amend the budget, seconded by Elaine. Roll call vote unanimous.
- f. Cathy asked the board to approve her going to the CLT board to borrow from their revolving fund. This money is to cover the 1st payment to John Tucci in June. Roll call vote, unanimous.

9. Public Comment

- a. Bob Smith – How do you know where the muck starts when you measure water depth? Jennifer explained her methodology.
- b. John Beeson – Commented on the use of Weevils and how he believes they do not work.
- c. Bill Mummert – Can we get money from the Tribe to help with the shoreline survey? Also, he stated that Emmet County Health Dept. wants to help with the Shoreline Survey.

10. The next meeting will be held on May 15

11. Meeting adjourned.