

PLIB Minutes

JULY 17, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. All board members were present.

Nick Brescik gave an oral presentation of findings from the lake survey done by Restorative Lake Services In June. Maps of the weed beds were given to board members. Weed areas are approximately 50% milfoil and 50% pondweed. There is a definite impact in the west basin where the diffusers are. Weevils will be used outside that area next week.

There was also a shoreline study done but this was from about 30' offshore and did not include nutrient run-off. Phosphorus/nitrogen numbers will not be ready until September.

Elaine Bostwick stated that in the future it would be better to wait until the completed written report is ready for presentation.

John Tucci reported that the enzymes and bacteria were put in today. Usually this is done earlier in the year but it was too cool. Only one-half of the amount was used so there will be some for use next year as needed. It appears that the lake is doing well and there are huge areas with no milfoil. There is quite a bit of pond weed which is native, not invasive. Water clarity is better than 2012.

In response to a question from Catherine Freebairn about the difference in electric bills for the three units Tucci stated that the compressors at all three locations are the same. The marina has 17 diffusers and Carleton Cove has 20.

Three changes were made to the SAD roll due to property combinations: Hopkins, Siegel, and Geri M.

It was decided to cancel the August meeting. The next meeting will be September 18.

Arden Bawkey stated that Mrs. McCullough from Blake Drive called and said that the weed debris on her shore has come back this summer. He will look into it.

Public comment:

- Thanks to the board for putting weevils in the east end of the lake. Three-fifths of the lake in the assessment district is in this area and these owners appreciate consideration [1/5 is in Hebron Twp, 1/5 is the west basin pilot project].
- What is the cost of putting a fourth compressor in the east end versus using weevils? [\$160,000 vs. \$10,000]
- Several comments concerned what appears to some to be increased weeds this year. [Nick stated that most of this is Illinois and white pond weed which are native.]
- Can we look at this as a bad summer? [There are no promises. We can't guarantee anything. We are trying to affect the ecosystem for the long term.]

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30.