

**PARADISE LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD
MINUTES
JULY 11, 2018**

The meeting opened at 7 P.M. Present were: Arden Bawkey, Bob Smith, and Paul Teike.

There were no additions/deletions to the agenda. Minutes of the regular meeting on May 9 and the special meeting on June 20 were approved with corrections. Bob Smith addressed one piece of correspondence concerning placing of sand on beaches by reading the current law. The PLIB has no control over this.

The treasurer's report was approved as presented. An amendment to the budget was passed with a roll call vote of three ayes. The cost of bags for the weed collection is \$.52 each. A less expensive option should be sought.

Under new business lake treatment is ongoing. 100,000 gallons of enzymes have been sprayed in the west basin and parts of the remainder of the lake. There is a need for base line comparisons for this treatment. Dr. Jennifer Jones conducted a survey and did DEQ mandated testing on July 9, prior to application.

There are currently two contracts outstanding with RLS: the original contract and the supplement after DEQ requirements for testing this year were increased. It was moved and passed to approve the contract supplement.

Grant applications from Petroskey-Harbor Springs must be in six months prior to a project. Lee Chatfield will be asked about state grants.

Public comment consisted primarily of comments about the current status of the lake, the use of chemicals, and older septic systems. Some persons think we are close to losing the lake and need a plan B. It was stated that people should ask whether they are part of the solution or part of the problem. We have a thoughtful board and need to work as a team.

One person stated that the current treatment has a cellulosic enzyme which eats sugars and naturally occurring bacteria which eat the muck. This deprives the milfoil of food and rooting materials. Also keep in mind that water that enters Paradise lake can come from miles away (large watershed).

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 P. M.