

3 Lakes Improvement District

TLID

Minutes from meeting of:

September 4, 2023

Barb A Present
Bob S Present
Diane S Present
Doug S Present
Nancy H Present
Stacy S Present
Todd L Present
Scott R Present

Guests: Tom Hahne, John Schnell, Kenzie Phelps

Call to Order at: 6:00 PM

Adoption of Agenda: Motion by Stacy 2nd by Diane pass
Changes - Add Assessment Resolution

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Diane 2nd by Todd pass
Changes - none

Financial Report:

Bills paid: Survey and purple loosestrife removal \$4,695.00, Insurance \$183.60, Annual meeting expenses \$342.49, Water logger \$10.00

Account Balance: \$67,441.10

Motion by Todd 2nd by Bob pass

Officer Reports:

Chair: nothing

Vice-Chair: nothing

Secretary: Nancy reported she will be sending 2024 TLID taxing information to the county this week.

Treasurer: nothing

Advisor: nothing

Old Business:

Watershed Plan 2024: Scott reported no meeting this month.

James Johnson Update: James completed the point intercept survey for Rush, will send results soon.

Alum Feasibility Study: Scott and Steve Demeules have been taking weekly temperature, Oxygen and pH readings in all three lakes. This data will be used in the Alum Feasibility Study. They are also collecting water samples from near the top and near the bottom every two weeks throughout the summer and fall. Scott mentioned the carp and core samples should be taken soon.

Purple Loosestrife update: Purple Loosestrife has been pulled in the bayou for this year. Stacy will check with Mike to get a yearend report.

New Business:

Annual Meeting Review: All board members thought the annual meeting went well. A new goal was added for next year: Researching a water/weed skimmer.

There were questions during the annual meeting from Char Langowski regarding the cost of boat landing surveyors and their training. She brought forward concerns that some workers were sleeping on the job and the difficulty of adding value as they are not allowed to remove weeds from boats. Scott said that the Sherburne County Cola is working on supplying grabbers and simple tools at boat landings in the county. SWCD, BLCA and TLID all contribute money to the water guard program.

Todd brought up the comment from John Reber pertaining to the budget item (weed killing) and the fact that we are consistently over estimating budgets and wanted to see if the budget line item could be reevaluated. Todd suggested using some sort of half way point between the calculated full spend amount and actual utilization over the past two years. Scott was concerned we could run over budget. Todd suggested that amount maybe would approximate 87.5% if we had used say 75% of budgeted amounts over the past two years. Diane reported that line items were estimated with a 10% increase over prior years spend. Nancy questioned whether the 10% was needed on all budget items. Todd suggested on the boat landing that we contact the county and ask if anything more can be done. Todd said on both points/concerns that the citizens brought forward that we can and should do better. It was decided that we would look at this again closer to next year's annual meeting.

Tom Hahne questioned that we continue to spray the bayou. No one uses that area for recreation and he's wondering if it would be a more valuable use of our money to spray more in the larger three lakes. We decided we will contact James Johnson and PLM in the late winter and get their opinion on this.

Assessment Resolution: Barb read the 2024 assessment resolution that we will be sending to the county. This enables the county to assess TLID property owners \$80.02 on their 2024 property taxes. Nancy made a motion to approve the assessment resolution, Stacy seconded it - motion passes.

New Member Welcome: Barb welcomed our two new board members: Bob Sass and Doug Solem

Officer Selections:

Secretary - Diane made a motion to elect Nancy Hahne as secretary - Barb seconded it, no other nominations were made - motion passed.

Treasurer - Nancy made a motion to elect Diane Stangler as treasurer - Barb seconded it, no other nominations were made - motion passed.

Vice Chair - Barb made a motion to elect Stacy Strang as vice chair - Diane seconded it, no other nominations were made - motion passed.

Chair - Stacy made a motion to elect Barb Aaberg as Chair - Nancy seconded it, no other nominations were made - motion passed.

We adjourned at 6:50 PM