3 Lakes Improvement District

TLID

Minutes from meeting of:

November 6, 2023

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

Guests: Tom Hahne, Shelly Alger-Peyton

Call to Order at: 6:00 PM

Adoption of Agenda: Motion by Nancy 2nd by Diane pass

Changes - none

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Stacy 2nd by Diane pass

Changes - none

Financial Report:

Bills paid: Water logger \$10.00, insurance \$457.20

Account Balance: \$66,963.90

Motion by Todd 2nd by Bob pass

Officer Reports:

Chair: working on yearend report (with Scott's help).

Vice-Chair: no report

Secretary: no report

Treasurer: no report

Advisor: no report

Old Business:

Watershed Plan 2024: No recent meetings - they meet approx. every three months. The good news is that the Briggs Lake Chain is a priority as they move forward.

James Johnson Update: James completed the point intercept survey for Rush, he sent the report to Barb. She will forward it to all board members and make sure it goes on the web. Julia is scheduled to have a point intercept survey done next summer.

Alum Feasibility Study: All water testing is complete. The core samples are expected to be done this year by Stanek. The carp survey will take place next summer. We should be receiving the findings this winter on the alum feasibility study data that has be collected this year (minus the carp population study). Shelly mentioned that the BLCA has asked Steve McComas, the lake detective, back again in March or April to help us better understand our findings. Scott presented a invoice for \$455.61 to cover his cost for shipping and mileage in regards to the water sampling. A motion was made by Stacy to write a check to Scott for \$455.61, seconded by Bob...the motion passed.

Website Updates: Doug has updated a few things and will continue to. Board members should take a look at the website and contact Barb with changes or corrections. She will forward to Doug. Barb asked Doug to put last year's End of Year Report on the web, she will forward it to him.

2024 TLID Goals: Stacy will update the dates for next year and make sure it gets posted on the web.

Other:

Stacy talked a bit about the process of applying for grants and what needs to be done to collect them. She has some follow-up paperwork to complete on a DNR grant for weed spraying - she needs the invoice from PLM, Diane will send that to her. The grant is good for spraying Curlyleaf Pondweed on Briggs and Rush. Stacy needs to close up the following three grants: Point Intercept for Rush, Loosestrife and the Education grant. Stacy will also continue to check into grants for next year and watch for deadlines.

Doug has been researching ways to skim the floating algae clumps that have shown up in the recent years mostly on Briggs. It can be pretty expensive. The companies that do it say that local farmers really love to use this in their fields. More to come...

Todd questioned if we are sending 1099's out to some of the businesses we pay during the year. Diane said she will check on this. Todd said he would be willing to answer any questions she may have.

New Business:

U of M AIS 101 Courses: These courses are available to board members if they are interested. A couple of the courses include AIS Management and AIS Identification and they are online. The courses run about \$175 per person. Doug,

Shelly and Todd showed interested in taking a course. Scott recommended the AIS Identification class. We had a grant last year for education and didn't use it. Stacy needs to finish with paperwork close that out.

Barb shared info about a program which encourages being good lake stewards. Check out their website and take a short quiz to see how well you are protecting Minnesota's lakes and steps you can take to improving your impact on the environment. The website is: mnlakesandrivers.org

We adjourned at 6:50 PM