

**Lost Lake Protection & Rehabilitation District**

**1st Quarter Meeting Minutes**

**January 4, 2018, 7:00 p.m. St. Germain Community Building**

**1. Call to Order:** Commissioner Heeler called the meeting to order (in absence of Ulett) at 7:05 p.m.

**2. Roll Call:** Quorum was established:

Present:       Heeler, Truppe, Ritter, Anderson, Guckenber, Eckerman

Absent:       Ulett (but on speaker phone)

Others Present: Webb Southwick, Paul and Kathy Novorolsky, Dick and Julie Greely, Kent Henschen

**3. Approval of October 5, 2017 Meeting Minutes:**

On motion by Anderson, second Guckenber, minutes of the October 5, 2017, 4<sup>th</sup> qtr meeting were approved.

**4. Treasurer's Report:**

Truppe presented Treasurer's Report stating District had \$21,135.62 in checking account as of 10/05/17, and he has since written five checks totaling \$1,103.68 for District bills including Business Connection (2), M Anderson, J Ulett, and WI State Lab. The district also received a check for \$5,877.36 from the Town of St. Germain to cover 20% of cost for 2017 spring herbicide treatment to Lost Lake. The checking account balance as of 01/04/18 is \$25,900.30.

**5. Review/Action on Current DNR Grants and AIS Activities**

**a. AIS/Early Detection & Response Grants for CLP and EWM**

**I.** Discussion/vote on 2018 herbicide treatment: Based on Onterra's recommendation that CLP treatment occur for several years after initial treatment and in conjunction with more CLP being found in last year's treatment area, Ritter made a motion, second Eckerman, that the District seeks competitive bids and a DNR permit to treat with herbicide the same area as last year. Motion passed unanimously.

**II.** Lake –wide aquatic plant survey: Onterra has requested to perform a lake-wide aquatic plant survey during the summer of 2018 to better map AIS and other plants growing in Lost Lake. This cost (about \$3K) is outside of current grants, but Onterra believes they may be able to get some grant money to cover its cost. Motion by Anderson, second Truppe, to approve up to \$3,000 District cost share for a lake-wide plant survey by Onterra. Motion passed unanimously.

**III.** Post-herbicide water sampling: Due to increased scrutiny anytime herbicides are used to treat AIS, it was recommended by Onterra that the District continue its post-herbicide water sampling program (at a cost of apprx \$2,500 for state lab testing). Last year's testing showed that except in the area of CLP treatment the herbicide was too low of a concentration to harm other aquatic plants in the lake or Lost Creek. On motion by Eckerman, second Guckenber, the motion to continue with the water sampling if an herbicide permit is approved was approved unanimously.

**b.** Lake Planning Study: Onterra is compiling results of just completed lake-wide property owners survey. About 40% of property owners completed the survey, and Onterra will share the results with all stakeholders later this year once all reports are finalized.

**c.** 2017 and 2018 CBCW Grants: Heeler reported that Lost Lake volunteer boat inspectors had completed 80+ hours of inspecting boats in 2017, therefore all of the \$3,000 spent on 2017 UW-O inspector interns will be reimbursed to the District via DNR grant. As the District is participating in another CBCW grant for 2018, a motion by Truppe, second Ritter, would authorize Treasurer Truppe to write a check to UW-O in amount of \$3013.34 for 2018 CBCW intern work. Motion passed unanimously.

**6. Authorize \$1,000.00 payment to Sayner-St. Germain Wildlife Club:** The Wildlife Club is the holder of the lake-improvement escrow account that the District pays into with District funds being matched by Town of St. Germain Room Tax money. On a motion by Anderson, second Truppe, motion to authorize \$1,000.00 paid to Sayner-St. Germain Wildlife Club passed unanimously.

**7: Commissioner Concerns (Boat Landing/Others):**

- a.** Anderson discussed Vilas County's proposed use of a AIS boat cleaning station with power washers located at lakes in the county. Currently the proposed unit would be located at county lakes where the invasive species spiny water flea is located (currently Stormy, Star, and Trout Lakes.)
- b.** As follow-up to the bidding process for 2018 herbicide treatment, Commissioner Eckerman who has 30 years procurement work in private sector agreed to team up with Chairman Ulett in working on bids.

**8. Public Comments:** Paul Novorolsky brought up the problem of parking at the Lost Lake boat landing when other vehicles and trailers are not properly parked.

**9. Next Meeting:** The next meeting of the LLPRD is scheduled for Thursday, April 5, 2018, to be held in the St. Germain Community Building at 7:00 p.m.

**10. Adjournment:** On motion by Anderson, meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Heeler--Secretary