

2011 ANNUAL ISCCW MEETING - AUGUST 6, 2011 - 2 PM

Unapproved

President Dudley Pierce called the meeting to order at 2:05

1. Welcome and Opening Remarks by ISCCW President Dudley Pierce
 - a. Dudley praised the members and board for superior work.
 - b. Dudley introduced the new educator/coordinator, Kathy Peterson: the biologists, Barb Gajewski and Bill Artwich: and the boat washers, Marv Schwinn, Frank Puffer, and Nina Fiorucci.
 - c. Dudley stated that, since studies show that most area boaters are now familiar with the various forms of AIS, the continuing direction of ISCCW would be toward invasive species control with a focus on the boat washing operation, including amassing information from the people using the boat washers, and aiding in the funding of treatment for invasive species.
 - d. Lastly Dudley commented on how ISCCW was contacted by the LVD tribe prior to the annual spring spear fishing asking that the boat washers be available during the spearing season. ISCCW was happy to cooperate and we washed many boats as they came off lakes known to be contaminated with invasive species.
2. Introduction of Officers and Directors

Dudley introduced the officers and board members most of whom were present. Ken Wendt, Vice President; Steve Wilkinson, Treasurer; Ruth Bozdech, Secretary; Will Buergey, Past President; and Directors Arne Domanus, Jim Floriano, Joe LoMastro, Bill Rehling, Bob Zelinski, Fred Duerkop, Dean Challed, Jim Okraszewski, Jonathan Swindle and Bob Turnquist
3. Secretary & Membership Committee Declaration of Members in attendance and by proxies for meeting Quorum Requirements

Membership chairman, Diana Mehlhop announced twenty-four memberships had at least one person in attendance and that forty-eight returned proxies had been verified for a quorum of seventy-two voting memberships. The twenty-five member quorum had been met in accordance with our bylaws.
4. President's Report.

In addition to his opening remarks Dudley reminded members to review the three Michigan legislative bills (Senate Bills No. 508, 509, and 510) as presented by Senator Casperson and to write letters to the Senator expressing their thoughts and comments concerning the subject matter. Copies of the bills were available at the meeting. A member asked if we could format a "boiler plate letter" on the web page or develop a generic email. After discussion it was agreed that neither would carry as much weight as individually formatted letters. It was decided that a list of "talking points" would be developed and placed on the web page for everyone to reference as they prepared their own letters.
5. Treasurer's Report.
 - a. Steve Wilkinson reminded the members the fiscal year for the ISCCW ends June 30th each year while our membership is based on a calendar year.
 - b. Steve presented the end of year balance sheet with supporting detail. As of June 30, 2011, the fund balance was \$86,339.00.

6. Membership Committee Report
 - a. Diana Mehlhop reported that Total Membership is now 363.
 - b. Diana also thanked Ken Wendt, Alan Piel, Watersmeet Township, USFS and Joe LoMastro for in-kind donations received.

7. Education Committee Report
 - a. Bill Rehling stated that the committee plans to have laminated invasive species sheets available for boaters to take with them on the lakes.
 - b. Bill said the “fish tape” donation boxes have been very successful and the committee will be placing more of them.
 - c. Bill added that the committee continues to work to come up with new ideas to educate the public about invasive species.

8. Finance Committee Report
 - a. Ken Wendt presented the amended budget as approved by the board for approval by the members and reviewed the changes, and reason for them, with those present. The majority of the changes were due to the DEQ forced delay of the Bass Lake treatment project.
 - b. A motion to approve the budget was made by Jim Reiels, supported by Dave Huddleston and passed unanimously.
 - c. Dudley asked for a motion to add Item 8a to the agenda – Approval of the 2010 Annual Meeting Minutes. Motion was made and passed by unanimous consent.

- 8-a. Approval of the 2010 Annual Meeting minutes.

Ken stated that there are two corrections to be made to these minutes. Under Item 7 - New Business, Election of directors change “The following directors have been suggested by the board and have agreed to serve another 3 year term” to read “The following directors have been suggested by the board and have agreed to serve a 2 year term” and also under Item 7 -New Business, Election of directors change “Steve moved to accept the nominations, second by William Charaf and approved unanimously.” to read “Steve moved to nominate all listed and accept the Nominations, second by William Charaf and approved unanimously.” A motion was then made to approve the minutes as corrected, seconded and approved by unanimous consent.

9. Election of directors

Due to the fact that he was up for re-election as a Director, Dudley asked Ken to handle the election process.

 - a. Ken read the list of candidates as suggested by the board. The following candidates were put forth for two year terms; Dudley Pierce, Steve Wilkinson, Will Buergey, Ruth Bozdech Fred Duerkop, Bill Rehling, Bob Turnquist and Margie Marrs. The following candidates were put forth for one year terms; Renee Shurr and Jeff Pytlarz.
 - b. Ken asked if there were any additional nominations from the floor. After three calls and hearing no additional nominations Ken asked for a motion to close the nominations and to accept the slate of candidates.
 - c. Joe LoMastro moved to close the nominations and to nominate all listed for the terms listed. Motion was seconded by Will Buergey and the motion passed by unanimous consent.

10. Presentation of Director Approved Calendar Year 2011 Budget and Operating Plan.
A short discussion of each item in the plan followed with reiteration of the necessity for change due to the Bass Lake treatment delay.
11. Member Ratification of Budget/Operating Plan
A motion to ratify the Budget/Operating Plan was made by Arny Domanus with supported by Joe LoMastro and approved by unanimously consent.
12. Discussion of Board Recommended Dues Levels for 2012 Membership Year
 - a. Dudley stated that the Board's recommendation was that the membership dues remain the same. Arny Domanus moved to approve the board's recommendation with supported by Joe Lomastro, approved by unanimously consent.
 - b. Ken asked for and received a voice agreement from the membership present to allow the Board to look into the potential of establishing "lifetime memberships"
13. A motion to adjourn was made by Joe LoMastro with supported by Dan Straszewski and approved.

Respectfully submitted by

Ruth Bozdech, secretary