

ISCCW BOARD MEETING
Approved – May 15, 2012
USFS CONFERENCE ROOM, WATERSMEET, MICHIGAN

Board Members Present: Dudley Pierce, Ken Wendt , Steve Wilkinson, Ruth Bozdech, Army Domanus, Fred Duerkop, Bill Rehling, Joe LoMastro, Jim Floriano, Bob Turnquist, Robert Zelinski, Will Buergey, Jeff Pytlarz, Margaret Marrs.

Visitors: Diana Mehlhop, Frank Puffer, Cheryl Pytlarz, Nina Fiorucci, Pat Oltz, Greg Wenzel, Barb Gajewski, Ian Shackelford.

President Dudley Pierce called the meeting to order at 9:07.

1. President's Report: Dudley reported a very unsuccessful boat/trailer washing operation during the tribe spearing season due to lack of interest on the part of the originally assigned game warden. This improved with the change of wardens towards the end of the spearing. Dudley is hoping for a generous donation from the tribe to ISCCW in the next 2% allocation.
Dudley is seeking more clarification and a possible exemption from the ruling that prohibits a Community Foundation from donating funds to another 501 (c) 3 when a member is active in both organizations.
2. Vice president's report: Ken Wendt reported all the filings required by the USFS (Duns, CCR and ORCA) have been completed and ISCCW is now certified with USFS.
3. Treasurer's report: Steve Wilkinson reported a bank balance of \$102,268.08 on April 17 with receipts since then of \$475.00 and disbursements of \$2,738.58 leaving a bank balance of \$100,004.50 on May 15, 2012.
4. Finance Report: Ken Wendt stated the contract for the education coordinator and boat/trailer washer personnel has been signed. Dudley Pierce has signed the services contract with the Ottawa Forest Service which will provide us an amount of \$14,300.81 and requires our matching expenditure of \$6,267.50.
5. Membership committee report: Diana Mehlhop said there are 353 paid memberships. The membership drive letter for the general mailing is ready and will be sent to the printer soon.
6. Education/PR committee report: Bob Turnquist stated the committee had met May 14 and many projects are in progress. An updated projects sheet was made available to members. The committee had investigated having signs made warning of the penalties for introducing invasive species into Michigan waterways from boats and boat trailers. The cost would be \$160 for 2 signs or \$240 for 4 signs. Nina Fiorucci, our 2012 Educator/Coordinator, was introduced.
7. Biologist's report:
 - Dudley Pierce reported for Bill Artwich. Bill has checked the following lakes. Thousand Island – No EWM; Chanel to Cisco – found CLP in some areas in Cisco Lake. Bill thought it may be too early to find the EWM growing.
 - Barb Gajewski reported she had attended a seminar in Wisconsin. One of the points brought up was it is not necessary to remove the root system when hand pulling EWM. The plant needs at least one leaflet to survive. A short discussion on hand pulling then took place.

8. Educator/Coordinator report: Nina Fiorucci reported 208 contacts by the boat/trailer washers were made during the opening of walleye season in WI and in MI. Nina will give further information under new business.

9. Approval of April 17, 2012 minutes. As there were no corrections, Bob Turnquist moved to accept the minutes as presented, supported by Arny Domanus and accepted.

10. Public comments.

- Ian Shackleford, USFS, reported the FS boat/trailer washer will be stationed on Lake Gogebic, Pomeroy Lake and in Iron County. He is currently working on a survey contract. GLIF is sponsoring several billboards on invasives; two signs will be in the Bessemer area. Ian also reminded everyone of the WIPIC meeting to be held on May 30, at 10:00AM, in the Sylvania Conference Room.
- Jim Floriano gave a report on new actions taken in Minnesota to combat invasive species.
- Fred Duerkop reported DNR will soon have signs posted at all DNR boat landings warning of invasive species.
- Arny Domanus will be meeting with Lisa Klaus at the Ottawa Interpretive Association's annual meeting on May 22.
- Greg Wenzel, liaison with CCROA, reported the permits to treat Thousand Island Lake and Clearwater Lake have been sent to DEQ. Northland College has been contracted to do a study of the chain, including surveying for invasive species using WI DNR protocol. Greg said the CCROA is working on setting up a web site. The web site address is [ciscochainroa.com] Ken Wendt suggested the ISCCW be allowed to link to their site. Greg will look into it.

11. Agenda changes/approval of changes. Under new business, add - A. Authorize additional check signer; and add - B. Work schedule. Changes were approved.

12. Old business :

A. Bass Lake/Langford Lake updates:

Bass Lake -Three bids were submitted to ISCCW for treatment in Bass Lake of approximately 20 acres. The permit will be applied for once the amount of growth has been ascertained. Arny Domanus moved that Cason& Associates bid be accepted, supported by Ken Wendt and approved.

B. Langford Lake – Barb Gajewski reported the water samples had been sent to the lab. She will obtain EWM plants for testing in mid June. Ian Shackleford reported PLM Lake Management will be helping on the lake management plan for Langford Lake.

C. LVD Update. Barb Gajewski reported Ted Ritter from Eagle River would be working with ISCCW concerning the EWM in LVD.

D. Cisco Chain Update. See Bill Artwich's report of May 5, 2012.

13. New business:

A. Approval of purchase of signs. Ken Wendt moved 4 signs at a cost of \$240 be approved, supported by Fred Duerkop, and approved.

B. Work schedule for May:

- Ken moved to hire Dennis Bolton as a boat/trailer washer, supported by Arny Domanus, and approved.

- Frank Puffer has some health restrictions from the doctor. Fred Duerkop moved to allow Frank to work under the doctor's restrictive guidelines, supported by Steve Wilkinson and approved.
 - Nina Fiorucci announced the boat/trailer washers would be at the BP station in Land O Lakes, Misery Bay and Thunder Bay over the Memorial Day weekend. Ken reminded Nina to suggest the washers move to another area if the area they are in is not active.
- C. Checking account signers. Steve Wilkinson moved to authorize Ken Wendt be allowed to sign checks for the ISCCW account and Will Buergey signature be removed, supported by Joe LoMastro and approved.

The next board meeting will be June 19, 2012.

Ken moved to adjourn, supported by Army, and approved.

Meeting adjourned at 10:37.

Respectfully Submitted by

Ruth Bozdech, Secretary