

ISCCW BOARD MEETING
Approved - June 19, 2012
USFS CONFERENCE ROOM, WATERSMEET, MICHIGAN

Board Members present: Bill Rehling, Fred Duerkop, Arny Domanus, Will Buergey, Ken Wendt, Jim Floriano, Bob Turnquist, Joe LoMastro, Jeff Pytlarz, Steve Wilkinson, Renee Shurr, and Margaret Marrs.

Visitors: Diana Mehlhop, Bill Artwich, Nina Fiorucci, Barb Gajewski, Jeff Cherney, Cheryl Neumann, Jim Reiels, Sandra Butelewski, Daniel Straszewski, Greg Wenzel, Frank Kuchevar, and Ian Shackelford – USFS.

Vice President Ken Wendt opened the meeting at 9:01.

1. President's Report: None. Absent.
2. Vice President's Report: Ken gave a letter to Nina Fiorucci received from CCROA, inviting her participation in the CCROA picnic.
3. Treasurer's Report: Steve Wilkinson reported a bank balance of \$100,004.50 on May 14, 2012 with receipts since then of \$1,351.00 and disbursements of \$5,059.60 leaving a bank balance of \$96,295.90 on June 18, 2012.
4. Finance Report: Ken Wendt – none.
5. Membership Committee Report: 35 new members are recorded as joining due to the recent mailing. The total membership is 392. With the memberships turned in at the start of today meeting the total is now over 400. Diana thanked the people helping with the mailing on May 31.
6. Education/PR Committee Report: Bill Rehling reported 4 new signs are finished he has collected \$165 from the fish tape donation boxes. Will Buergey has been contacted and suggested the ISCCW co-operate with Sprecher Brewing Co. Inc. promotion at the Forest Lake Country Store on July 7 and 8th. Jim Reiels announced that there is an article ready for publication.
7. Biologists Reports:
 - Bass Lake Treatment Update: Barb Gajewski reported she had done a pre-treatment survey on May 30 of five acres on Bass Lake. She also asked Nina Fiorucci to contact the Watersmeet High School to organize an education session with the students.
 - LVD Update: Bill Artwich presented maps of the LVD infestations which were mostly CLP. The information has been shared with Ted Ritter, the Wisconsin contact concerning the border lakes. Bill said he had surveyed Tamarack Lake in June and there were no invasive plants in the lake Ken Wendt suggested a meeting of LVD, the tribe and the Watersmeet Township supervisor be held. A discussion followed and the decision was made to hold a meeting with Rob Anderson, resort owner, Ted Ritter, the tribe, Ian Shackelford, Michigan DNR, Wisconsin DNR and ISCCW concerning the management of CLP and EWM in LVD. There are 4 public boat Landings, resort landings and private landings on LVD. Ian Shackelford said the FS will hand pull in front of FS land.
 - Cisco Chain Update: Greg Wenzel thanked Bill Artwich for making an unscheduled survey of plants that will be treated June 20. Greg noted people on the chain are becoming aware of the problem of Invasive species but are not very interested in doing anything about them. Bill put out buoys to mark the spots for treatment. Steve Wilkinson made a motion to pay Bill for the time spent on the special survey, supported by Will Buergey and approved.

- General Comments: Duck Lake has been identified as a “Model for effective EWM management”. Ken Wendt asked for a history of the Duck Lake Association protocol. Jeff Pytlarz offered to get a copy to Ken. Jo LoMastro reported 5 acres of EWM had been treated on Duck Lake under the water column format. They used 990 lbs. of Navigate. Joe also said new regulations will take effect in 2016 that EWM samples must be sent in for a DNA reading to check for hybrid EWM.
8. Education/Coordinator Report: Nina Fiorucci reported 147 boats/trailers had been washed of the 371 boats encountered with 417 people being contacted. LVD had the most traffic and most of the boats were from Wisconsin. Nina will be holding educational sessions at the Land O Lakes public library June 26th and July 24 for children. A coloring contest will be held. Steve Wilkinson made a motion to award prizes of \$25 first prize, \$15 second prize and \$10 third prize. The motion was supported by Joe LoMastro and approved. It was announced the 4th of July parades would be held July 1 at 10 AM in Watersmeet and July 4 at 12 PM in Land O Lakes. Our boat/trailer washer will be in both parades pulled by Frank Puffer
 9. Approval of May 2012 Minutes: Arny Domanus moved to approve the minutes as corrected, supported by Joe LoMastro and approved.
 10. Public Comments: Ian Shackelford, USFS, announced the new billboard on invasive species has been put up in the Bessemer area. They are still working on erecting a sign near Iron River. Ian also said the Forest Service boat washer is available for use by the ISCCW where ever they choose. The FS will be hand pulling EWM at Lake View Desert on July 10.
 11. Agenda Changes/Approval of the Agenda: There were no changes to the agenda. A motion to accept the agenda as presented was made by Arny Domanus, supported by Joe LoMastro and approved.
 12. Old Business: Ian Shackelford gave a Langford Lake project update reporting that PLM is working on a lake plan for Langford Lake; John Skogerboe will do a special AVAS plant survey as required by the DEQ; and, Barb Gajewski will be pulling EWM samples in June to send to a lab for testing.
 13. New Business:
 - A. Bass Lake Financial Help Request: Renee Shurr announced the Bass Lake Association is active and has 10 members at the present time. Ken read a letter from Shirley Hibbeln stating that was still upset about the bill left owed to EnviroScience for the last survey done after the weevil planting several years ago. She said she had not received any help from residents or ISCCW. Ken Wendt suggested the ISCCW help with the outstanding bill. After a spirited discussion Margaret Marrs made a motion that, due to the unique circumstances of the Bass Lake situation, a contact should be made with EnviroScience to negotiate settlement of any outstanding bill by ISCCW up to a maximum payment of \$1200.00. The motion was supported by Arny Domanus and approved. Renee Shurr and Dan Straszewski presented a request to the ISCCW to pay \$170.00 for a water test which did come back negative. A discussion was held. Arny Domanus moved the BLA approach their members and other residents once more for these funds and return to ISCCW with a new request if they are unsuccessful, supported by Joe LoMastro and approved.
 - B. Annual Meeting Preparations: Slate of directors. Ken asked the directors present if they would be willing to serve another term. The following directors agreed to serve, Arny Domanus, Jim Floriano, Joe LoMastro, Jeff Pytlarz, Renee Shurr and Ken Wendt. Ken will talk to Bob Zelinski to see if he wishes to continue on the Board.
 14. Adjourn to Closed Executive Session: Ken Wendt reported he thought he could resolve the situation and a closed session was not necessary.

15. Return to Open Meeting: Not necessary (see Item 14)

16. Adjourn: Ken moved to adjourn, supported by Jeff and approved.

The next board meeting will be July 17, 2012.

Respectfully submitted by:

Ruth Bozdech, secretary