

ISCCW Board Meeting Minutes

Approved - April 21, 2015

Ottawa Forest Visitor Center, Watersmeet, Michigan

Board Members Present: Kenneth Wendt, Dan Straszewski, Joe LoMastro, Greg Wenzel, Eugene Clark, Jeff Pytlarz, David Sherrill, and Bob Zelinski.

Guests Present: Barb Gajewski (Many Waters), Ian Shackelford (USFS), Jim Donlan (Langford Lake), Dale Sharpee (Moon Lake), Dave Lamoreaux (LVDLA), and Christine Scott (ISCCW Educator/PR Coordinator), and Kurt Behrendt, Mike Wienert, and Larry Grems (ISCCW Boat Washer Operators).

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 AM by ISCCW President Ken Wendt

Quorum was verified, with one proxy, by Ken Wendt.

1. President's Report: Ken Wendt reminded everyone of the upcoming ML&SA Conference starting on May 1st. He introduced Dale Sharpee, an ISCCW member from Duck Lake, who would be attending to take the CLMP course. He will take along our new Dissolved Oxygen (DO) Meter for training purposes. David and Carol Sherrill will go representing ISCCW.
2. Vice President's Report: No report.
3. Treasurer's report: Ken Wendt reported in Steve Wilkinson absence. Our starting bank balance on March 16, 2015 was \$91,570.21; receipts were \$12,800 consisting of 2% money pass along from Watersmeet Township of \$10,000 and Membership dues and contributions of \$2,800; disbursements were \$2,467.94 consisting of supplies for Bass Lake permit \$200, the YSI Pro 20 unit \$1,445.90, ML&SA Conference reimbursement \$539.84, and Many Waters \$282.20; leaving an ending balance on April 20, 2015 of \$101,902.34.
4. Finance Committee: No report.
5. Membership Committee Report: Ken Wendt reported in Diana Mehlhop absence. As of this date we have 396 paid members for 2015 with \$40,725.00 in dues and donations. We had good response to our "snail-mail" reminder that was sent out on March 3, 2015. Over 40 have renewed their membership since the last board meeting. We still have 85 that have not renewed. A thank you note was sent to the Watersmeet Township and the LVD Tribe for their support. In May Ms. Mehlhop will work on the town-ship wide mailing. Mr. Wendt and Mr. Clark will compose the letter. Help is needed for the assembly of this mailing.
6. Education/PR Committee Report: Jeff Pytlarz reporting:
 - A. BW Water Recovery System: Our water discharge requirements have been revised and we still need to establish our protocols for the use of the recovery mats. Mats are available but we do not have them yet. Boat washing operations are set to begin on May 15th.
 - B. SAC/Boat Washer Status: Two applicants were interviewed from SCA for the boat washing operation. One has accepted the position. This gives us a total of four washer personnel.

- C. Up-coming Educational Activities: Christine Scott is moving forward with her activities, including educational programs at the libraries and visitor center, scheduling training and educational meetings, and materials for the Lake Hopper program.
 - D. Other: No new information on the LVD Youth Program. Some reports of spear fishing but not by LVD Tribal boats. ISCCW has not been contacted to provide boat washing.
Ken Wendt reported that we have received the newly purchased DO meter. Protocols need to be developed covering its use. Some training is required. We need to establish a checklist for the equipment.
7. Many Waters/Biologists Report: Barb Gajewski reported that things should really pick up for the outdoor activities next month; otherwise they are involved in various activities such as the LVD Stakeholders Meeting and equipment preparation.
8. Approval of Reports and Minutes:
- A. David Sherrill moved approval of the all reports given with second provided by Joe LoMastro. Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.
 - B. David Sherrill moved approval of the minutes as amended with support from Joe LoMastro. Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.
9. Public Comments:
- A. USFS: Ian Shackleford reported the following:
 - i. He has received 1553 copies of the new WePIC Clean Boats Clean Waters pamphlet. He also has over 1000 copies of the 2013 version. He would like ISCCW to distribute these pamphlets.
 - ii. The April 7th modification to the USFS & ISCCW agreement was completed, providing \$16,814 for ISCCW in 2015
 - iii. The USFS will soon solicit bids for AIS surveys in 26 lakes and nine river segments in Gogebic, Iron, Houghton, and Ontonagon Counties.
 - iv. He delivered four metal "Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers" signs to CCROA. The remaining SAH items requested by partners should arrive soon."
 - vi. On April 15, Joseph Cousineau from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), in an e-mail, informed me that wash water from the boat washers could be discharged as close as 200 feet to a body of water. This is less than the 1000 feet that was previously communicated. MDEQ would like us to collect the wash water "if and when possible". A log must be kept of all our ground water discharges.
 - vii. He has ordered three new boat wash mats. Two heavy green ones from AIRE Industrial, similar to the older mats, but with higher foam walls. One slightly lighter mat being custom made by Jacquart Fabric Products.
 - B. MDNR: No Report:
 - C. CCROA: Greg Wenzel reported that he had no new information.
 - D. LVD TRIBAL: No Report.
 - E. OTHERS: Barb Gajewski inquired about the requirements of the bidding process for Langford and Bass Lakes. Ken Wendt stated and Ian Shackleford concurred that all the

Federal money for Bass Lake has been spent, therefore we need only conform to ISCCW protocols in securing bids for additional work in that lake. Two Forest Service RAC grants remain for Langford Lake, however. Ian noted ISCCW recently sought competitive bids for Langford Lake EW milfoil treatment, and could proceed with the same applicator in 2015."

10. Business Agenda Changes/Approval: Ken Wendt made a request as received from Treasurer Steve Wilkinson to place under 'News Business' a required resolution regarding 'Workers Compensation Exclusion for Directors & Officers'. Motion to approve the agenda made by Joe LoMastro with support provided by David Sherrill. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
11. Old Business:
 - A. LVD Match Funds: This is still an in-progress item; an invoice is needed before payment of the committed funds for 2014. Barb Gajewski and Ken Wendt to check on status.
 - B. 54th Annual Michigan Lakes and Streams Conference: There are some limited funds available for any Board Member interested, if you are interested in attending please see Ken Wendt.
12. New Business :
 - A. Workers Compensation Exclusion Resolution, Directors & Officers: Resolution to exclude all officers and Board of Directors from the Workers Compensation and Employers Liability Policy carried by ISCCW through the Lud Stoor Agency was read by Ken Wendt. After a brief discussion of explanation a motion to "ratify the resolution as presented" was provided by David Sherrill, seconds were provided by Joe LoMastro, Jeff Pytlarz, and Greg Wenzel. By a show of hands, all board members present voted aye (8), nay (0). Ken Wendt voted one proxy aye vote on behalf of Steve. Wilkinson. Total (9-yes, 0-nay).
13. Meeting adjourned at 9:46 am, next meeting May 19, 2015 at the USFs District Office.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Daniel Straszewski, Secretary