

## ISCCW Board Meeting Minutes

Draft – January 19, 2016

USFS District Office, Watersmeet, Michigan

Board Members Present: Jim Donlan, Joe LoMastro, Margaret Marrs, Stan Mlynarczyk, Jeff Pytlarz, David Sherrill, Dan Straszewski, Ken Wendt and Steve Wilkinson

Guests Present: Barbara Gajewski, Pat Hilbrech Diana Mehlhop and Ian Shackelford,

The meeting was called to order by ISCCW's president, Jeff Pytlarz at 9:02 am.

A quorum was verified by Jeff.

1. President's Report: Jeff Pytlarz deferred his report until later.
2. Vice-President's Report: No report.
3. Treasurer's Report: Our bank balance on December 15, 2015, 2016 was \$90,675.83; receipts were \$5825.00. Disbursements totaled \$1,744.60. Disbursements included workmans' comp. and liability insurance \$1351.00, Michigan Waterfront Alliance membership \$200.00 and Many Waters LLC \$193.50. This left a balance on January 19, 2016 of \$94,756.23. A written report with details was circulated to all board members present.
4. Finance Committee: We are expecting contributions from Watersmeet Township of \$15,000 and tribal 2% money in the amount of \$10,000.
5. Membership Committee Report: Diana Mehlhop informed the group that that ISCCW has 322 members paid up through 2016 donating a total of \$24,890.00
  - a. Renewal notices for the 2016 membership were sent out in early November. To date, 276 members have renewed. 134 members have not yet renewed. Renewals continue to come in to our P.O. Box. Snail mail reminders will go out in March.
  - b. Two of our members died in November (Norm Ellenberger and Roger Benson).
  - c. This month's report includes the year-end report for 2015 and a year to date report for 2016.
6. Education/PR Committee Report: Jeff Pytlarz reported that Christine Scott has indicated that she will not be in our employ next season. We do not have a replacement. Ken Wendt suggested that we approach Christine to continue limited duties at home for a set fee while we find a replacement. In addition to the educator position we need one more boat washer.
7. Many Waters biologist Barb Gajewski reported:
  - a. A MDNR permit renewal request for Threatened and Endangered Species on EWM management lakes Bass and Langford has been made.
  - b. WDNR has updated match forms for their Surface Water Grants which will apply to the match work by the ISCCW for the Lac Vieux Desert WDNR AIS control agent.

- c. The abstract regarding EWM management using fluridone proposed to the Wisconsin Lakes Convention was not accepted.
8. Approval of Reports and Minutes:
  - a. There was a motion to approve the reports by Ken Wendt with support given by Margaret Marrs. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
  - b. There was a motion to approve the minutes by Ken Wendt with support from Joe LoMastro. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
9. Business Agenda:
  - a. Motion to add Langford Lake funds request to the agenda by Dan Straszewski with support from Joe LoMastro. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
10. Public Comments:
  - a. Ian Shackelford reported: Ian is working with Jeff Pytlarz and David Sherrill on a large invoice to the USFS for 2015 ISCCW work and year-end reports for our two agreements. The USFS will not seek an herbicide application for EWM control in Crooked Lake in 2016. We will again rely on snorkeling and hand-pulling from June to October. Ian ordered a lighter boat washing mat from Jacquart Fabric Products, to be provided to ISCCW. The Bond Falls Implementation Team is inviting grant applications for projects within the Ontonagon River watershed, due February 1. Ian will be gone on an assignment to the Klamath National Forest in California for four months, February to June. He will be available for questions, and will keep Jeff posted on who will be covering his duties while he is gone. He is seeking other USFS staff to attend ISCCW meetings; fisheries biologist Holly Jennings will come to **two** meetings (**March and April**). District Ranger Norman Nass has retired; acting District Ranger Tony Holland remains in place. Sometime in 2016 the USFS will hire a new District Ranger.
  - b. CCROA: A grant was awarded for a "Clean Boats, Clean Water Ambassador" by Wisconsin DNR. This person will staff the Palmer Bay landing on Big Lake this summer.
  - c. LVD Tribe: No report, however, the tribe is viewed as a very important stakeholder in our efforts. Some discussion ensued on how to bolster this relationship. Perhaps personal contacts with tribal leadership.
  - d. David Sherrill shared with the group that streams can also be subject to invasion by non-naturally occurring species and Watersmeet has many streams. He suggested that ISCCW should be monitoring streams as well as lakes.
11. Old Business:
  - a. Jeff Pytlarz went over the budget, clarifying some items and identifying the impact of future grants where applicable. There was a motion to approve the budget as amended with the contingency that the budget may be modified pending approval of GLRI or RAC Grants.

12. New Business:

- a. Langford: Jim Donlan offered a list of expense items for future Langford Lake projects. This list was prepared by Many Waters LLC. After discussion a motion was offered by Ken Wendt with support from Steve Wilkinson to increase the Langford Lake Budget Line Item from \$750.00 to \$3500.00. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote

13. Meeting adjourned at 10:11 am. Next meeting February 16, 2016

Respectfully Submitted,

Daniel M. Straszewski, Secretary