

MINUTES
ISCCW BOARD MEETING June 19, 2018
WATERSMEET COMMUNITY CENTER, WATERSMEET, MICHIGAN

Board Members Present: Jeff Pytlarz, Greg Clark, Jim Donlan, Dan Straszewski, Ken Wendt, Arny Domanus, Larry Grems, Yvonne Stone, Joe LoMastro, Steve Wilkinson, David Sherrill and Stan Mlynarczyk. Board Members represented by proxy: Gene Clark (Ken Wendt is the proxy holder).

Guests Present: Denise Fautleroy, Larry Thomasson, Barb Gajewski, Diana Mehlhop, Carol Mason Sherrill and Ian Shackleford.

Meeting was called to order at 10:01am by Jeff Pytlarz, during which a quorum was confirmed by Jeff.

1. President's Report: None
2. Vice President's Report: None
3. Treasurer's Report: David Sherrill reported a Bank Balance as of May 15, 2018 is \$144,785.43. Receipts: Memberships and contributions of \$1,572.00. Disbursements were as follows: Salaries, \$4,697.90; Mileage, \$1,180.91; Boat Washer Parts, \$320.00; Many Waters LLC, \$200.80; Office Supplies, \$109.17; Printing, \$79.00; Educator Expenses-Tablet, \$431.96; Educator Expenses-Conference, \$226.90; Educator Expenses-Boat washer supplies, \$87.75; Educator Expenses-Supplies, \$86.04; Educator Expenses-Parade Candy, \$83.07. Total Disbursements were \$7,503.50. Bank Balance as of June 19, 2018 is \$138,853.93.
There is one approved grant – MISGP for \$37,225.00. Ken Wendt reported that Jen Ricker just got word that they are processing payments now. Jen may receive the payment in 7 -10 days; she will then forward our share to us. We should have the funds before our next meeting.
There are three pending grants – RAC Langford and LVD Lakes for \$25,238.08; GLRI Participation Agreement 2017 for \$2,288.09; GLRI Participation Agreement 2018 for \$24,700.00.
4. Finance Committee Report: Last month, Ken Wendt reported that Michigan DNR announced a \$3.6 million grant program for 2019 for projects up to three years in duration. Ken received projects from three of our partner groups and has submitted a PRE-PROPOSAL REQUEST totaling \$110,700.00:
 - a. CCROA - \$41,400.00 which includes a 30% match
 - b. Iron County Lakes & Streams (Mike Golas):
 - i. \$55,500.00 to employ an educator for 3 years, includes a 19% match.
 - ii. \$5,800.00 to survey and develop a 1, 3 and 5 year Lake Plan for Ice Lake, includes a 21% match.
 - c. ISCCW - \$8,000.00 to host and plan the 2019 Western U.P. Invasive Species Conference, includes a 74% match.

We will hear back in possibly mid-July if we are accepted to submit a FULL PROPOSAL due by mid-September with approval or non-approval prior to end-of-year.
5. Membership Committee Report: Gene Clark is absent from this meeting and his comments are read into the Minutes. Membership activity since the last report on May 15: We processed a total of 4 memberships, with this month's contributions totaling \$350.00. Total proceeds to-date are \$45,441.55. Total memberships for 2018 are 415: 398 Class A and 17 Class B. Non-Member Donors remain at 23. There are now 61 un-renewed members from 2017. Membership reports are now being prepared for the Annual Meeting on August 4th.
6. Education Committee Report: Denise Fautleroy's report:
 - a. Boats inspected – 678; Number of people contacted – 1385; Number of boats power washed – 252.
 - b. I attended 1 day of the Partners for Watershed Restoration (PWR) at Camp Nesbit on June 5th. PWR is a collaborative effort of Federal, Tribal, State and local agencies, academic institution non-profits and citizen groups to accelerate watershed restoration throughout central and the western UP. There were many interesting presentations and was networking opportunity that helped get our name out to these professionals.
 - c. Video filming and interviews are moving forward. This will be a year-long process.
 - d. Thursday night Programs at the Ottawa Visitor Center have begun.
 - e. 4th of July Parades are coming together. The Watersmeet picnic and parade will be on June 30 this year. Volunteers needed. Sign up at Nordine's.
 - f. All of the "swag" for the Landing Blitz has arrived ... largest box yet!

- g. On Saturday, July 7th, I will have a table at the Ottawa Historical Days at the Ottawa Visitor Center. There will be 3 speakers and many interesting displays ... please attend if you're free.
 - h. Since the coaster idea was not widely approved by the Board, other options have been explored. The price on the Fish Tapes has come down considerably so that would be a possibility: 500/\$590.00/\$1.18 each; 1000/\$770.00/\$.77 each; 1500/\$1020.00/\$.68 each. Topic added to New Business.
7. Many Waters Biologist Report, Barb Gajewski:
- a. Langford, Thousand Island and Morley Lakes are scheduled to be treated this week by PLM.
 - b. GLIFWC is scheduled to be on LVD the week of June 18th to conduct early season EWM and CLP survey work.
 - c. Early season monitoring and diving on LVD began the week of June 11th. Diving efforts took place mainly on the south shore due to high winds.
 - d. Four permission slips (out of nine total) have been returned for diving on Crooked Lake.
8. Motion to approve the Reports was made by David Sherrill and seconded by Steve Wilkinson; motion carried. Motion to approve the Minutes was made by David Sherrill and seconded by Arny Domanus; motion carried.
9. Motion to approve the Agenda was made by Ken Wendt and seconded by Dan Straszewski; motion carried.
10. Public Comments:
- a. USFS Botanist, Ian Shackelford reported:
 - i. Thank you for providing a boat washer and staff for the Ontonagon Fishing Derby on June 9.
 - ii. We began snorkeling and pulling Eurasian watermilfoil in Crooked Lake on June 14. Weather permitting we will return July 5.
 - iii. Ian shared two Clean Boats Clean Waters first aid kits from the Lake Gogebic Improvement Association.
 - b. MDNR representative, James Peace: Not present; No report
 - c. CCROA representative, Eugene Clark: Not present; No report
 - d. LVD Tribal, Roger LaBine: Not present; No report
 - e. Other:
 - i. Ken Wendt shared an article printed in the ML&SA Newsletter written by Scott Brown titled *An Open Letter to the Michigan State Waterways Commission* which highlights the need for funding from our state government for aquatic invasive species management.
 - ii. Jeff Pytlarz recently visited Arbor Day Farm in Nebraska City, NE and commended the work done by the Arbor Day Foundation.
 - iii. Carol Mason Sherrill reminded everyone that terrestrial species need to be addressed too. Watch for yellow iris as it is in bloom now. Bull thistle is also one to watch for.
11. Old Business:
- a. Langford Lake: Barb Gajewski – Langford is being treated this week.
 - b. Bass Lake: Barb Gajewski – Bass Lake will be mapped and a permit was submitted for DASH.
 - c. Annual Meeting Committee: Denise – Postcards are being designed to be sent to all ISCCW members inviting them to our August 4th meeting. We will serve hotdogs and beverages. McCormack's Cisco Chain Marina has donated a 1-day rental of a pontoon boat to cruise the Cisco Chain (\$200 value). I was not able to come up with a free speaker.
 - d. Conference July 23rd at George Young: Ken Wendt – everything is all set to go; flyers are being distributed and Ken asked that everyone take a few and help with the distribution; ad will go in the Ottawa Shopper and Iron County Reporter.
 - e. LVD: Discussed previously.
12. New Business:
- a. Milfoil Study Financing: Barb Gajewski will be working with Montana State University to do a study of the genetic impact on AIS after treatment on Michigan lakes. They want to determine if resistance develops after chemical treatment. The Michigan Invasive Species Grant (MISGP) covers most of the cost but she is asking for an additional \$700 of RAC funds to help offset the costs. The money is available so no board action is required.
 - b. New Power Washer: Jeff Pytlarz – Our oldest power washer went to Green Bay for service and it was determined there was a burner issue. Since we have an aging unit (bought in 2008), Jeff feels it might be time to buy a 4th boat washer. We would then have a backup unit when one of our washers is down for

- maintenance. He got a price of \$9899.00 from the dealer in Green Bay, which is good through June 30, 2018. Ken Wendt pointed out that the Tribe recently ordered two units (one permanent and one portable) and maybe we could borrow one of theirs. Some felt it would be best to buy our own unit. Steve Wilkinson made a motion to purchase a new boat washer, expenditure not to exceed \$10,000.00. Arny Domanus seconded the motion. 11 voted "yes". 2 voted "no". The motion carried.
- c. Dive Scholarship Award: We've received 3 applications for the Scuba Scholarship. One we feel lives too far from our area to be a viable applicant. The remaining 2 are good applicants for the three dive scholarship awards. One is Noah Miller, who is in high school and a recent graduate of Conserve School. The second is Jeffrey Manhardt, who is in his 60's and managed a resort on Crooked Lake. Arny Domanus made a motion to award one scholarship to Noah Miller. Steve Wilkinson seconded. Motion carried. Jeff will contact Jeffrey Manhardt to further review his qualifications.
 - d. 2018-2019 Board of Directors: Jeff Pytlarz indicated we may have some openings on the Board next year. Three names were submitted for possible inclusion: Charlie Schiltz, Dave Dalbec and Carol Mason Sherrill.
 - e. Fish Tapes: Discussion centered on how many fish tapes should be ordered (500, 1000 or 1500). A motion was made by Ken Wendt to order 1500 fish tapes at a cost of \$.68 each. Dan Straszewski seconded. Motion carried.
13. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 10:56am with a motion from Dan Straszewski, seconded by Larry Gremis; motion carried.
14. **NEXT BOARD MEETING, July 17, 2018 USFS DISTRICT OFFICE AT 10 A.M.**

Minutes respectfully submitted, Diana Mehlhop, for Eugene Clark, Secretary