

Perch Lake Owners Association (PLOA)
Board Meeting Minutes
July 3, 2016

Present: Dave Foster, Jim Novitski, Hal Petrimoulx, Tom Van Wagner, Tom Haight, Liz Quinn, Cliff Janiak and Carol Hicks-Brown

Absent: Bill Pence

Location; Foster Camp

Time: after Annual membership meeting

Dave provided everyone with a copy of the May 8th BOD meeting, his Presidents report, a spreadsheet of BOD members History and a calendar. The Agenda was approved as well as the Minutes. The Officers and Committee reports were covered in the Annual meeting and nothing more was added.

OLD Business:

- PLOA/NFS Boat launch Containment system take out was discussed. Take out scheduled for Thursday and Friday Oct 6th and 7th . We talked about taking more time to ensure no invasives are allowed to escape if there are any entrapped. Maybe scrubbing the boom in the water this year. Tom VanWagner has volunteered his pressure washer for cleaning the netting boom and Dave Foster has a backup if needed. We will use Tom Haight's water and generator with Cliff Janiak's generator as a back up.
- Board Member terms were discussed and the need to reelect the Treasurer, President and Historian, positions held by Hal, Dave and Cliff. All of which were reelected to the Board during the annual meeting.
 - Motion made by Dave Foster seconded by Tom Van Wagner for Hal Petrimoulx to maintain the Treasurer Position. Motion carried.
 - Motion made by Jim Novitski to keep Dave Foster as President was seconded by Liz Quinn. Motion Carried
 - Motion made by Liz Quinn for Cliff Janiak to keep His position as Historian was seconded by Dave Foster. Motion carried.

All other old business listed on agenda was covered sufficiently at the annual meeting.

New Business:

- The Bill for the Riparian Magazines which were distributed to members was \$130.
- The future of the containment system was discussed with the need to keep improving and making repairs if needed. There is a need for more Angle Iron and other costs that will be taken up at the Oct meeting. We should be looking into getting Grants to help with the costs. Jim also said that we should post on the website possible changes to the containment for all members to review and comment on.
- Our insurance coverage could go up next year because of federal changes.

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- Motion made by Liz Quinn to send Brian Cryst a Thank-you letter for his work on the web site. Seconded by Cliff. Motion approved unanimously.
- Jim asked for help to accomplish the lake weed testing at the south end of the lake from Tilot's Point to the westerly shoreline that is going to be done June 2017.

Jim Novitski made motion to Adjourn seconded by Tom Van Wagner. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted
Carol Hicks-Brown

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- Roll call for quorum: Bill Pence (Ole), Cliff Janiak, Dave Foster, Jim Novitski, Liz Quinn, Carol Hicks-Brown, Tom Haight, Hal Petrimoulx and Tom Van Wagner
- Adoption of Agenda
- Review & approve Board meeting minutes from May 8, 2016 Board meeting
- **Officers' reports**
 - President
 - Treasurer
 - Secretary
- **Committee reports**
 - Lake Management
 - Communications
 - Nomination Committee
 - Membership/historian
- **Old Business**
 - PLOA/NFS Boat Launch Containment system – discussion of spring 2016 installation and October 7, 2016 removal
 - Nexters' status – Hal
 - Perch River/Perch lake water level monitoring
 - Archivist/historian – still need to develop job description
 - Iron County-wide Lake Association and WePIC update
 - PLOA membership in Iron County Lake Association
 - Review attached Board member terms
 - PLOA Website
 - July 2016 Annual meeting items
 - Trans Superior Resources request for leases in Iron Co. comment period ended 5-31-16
- **New Business**
 - Trans Superior Resources request for leases in Iron Co. comment period ends 5-31-16
 - PLOA future – 1yr, 3yr and 5yr plan. How do we get funding to keep the containment system operating?
 - Additional Topics
 - Next meeting --- October 8, 2016 at which camp?
- Adjourn

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BoD Member	Last Elected to BoD	Current BoD Expiration	Current Officer Position	Elected to Office	Board Class effective (JUL15)	Officer Expiration	Status	Remarks
Petrimoulx, Hal	7/11	7/16	Treasurer	7/14	I	7/16	Active	Past president (2004 – 7/13)
Haight, Tom	7/12	7/17			II		Active	Communications Comm Chair
Hicks-Brown, Carol	7/12	7/17	Secretary	7/15	II	7/17	Active	
Novitski, Jim	7/12	7/18			III		Active	Lake Mgmt Comm. Chair
Pence, Bill	7/12	7/17	Vice president	7/15	II	7/17	Active	
Quinn, Liz	7/12	7/18			III		Active	Past treasurer (7/10 – 7/14)
VanWagoner, Tom	7/15	7/18			III		Active	
Foster, Dave	7/11	7/16	President	7/15	I	7/16	Active	Past Secretary (7/11 – 7/13)
Janiak, Cliff	7/11	7/16			I		Active	Outreach/membership Comm. Chair
Crowe, Dave	7/09	7/12					Retired 7/12	
Madsen, Al	7/09	7/12					Retired 7/12	Past Vice President
Scanlan, Ed	7/09	7/12					Retired 7/12	
Bissey, Mary	7/08	7/11					Retired 7/11	Past Secretary
Read, Terry	7/08	7/11					Retired 7/10	Past treasurer
Treankler, Carl	7/08	7/11					Retired 7/12	Past Vice president
VanWagoner, Janet	7/12	7/15					Retired 7/15	

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May 8, 2016

Present: Dave Foster, Bill Pence, Jim Novitski, Liz Quinn, Hal Petrimoulx, Carol Hicks-Brown, Jim Van Wagner, Cliff Janiak

Absent: Tom Haight

Location: Foster camp

Time: 10:00 AM

Adopted May 8, 2016 Agenda (attached) Motion by Jim seconded by Hal, approved

Our meeting began with a conference call with Brian Cryst about our new web design. He acknowledged concerns from Hal and Jim from his May 4th e - mail. Items discussed was:

- A member's only page where we could have a signup sheet for containment system inspection and post pictures.
- Who do we get things to and who screens? Board as a whole - Dave or Cliff final –
- E mails not responded to within one week will be counted as approved.
- Keep specific to the lake
- Have a useful links page (agency's like DNR)

The Board gave approval for Brian to go ahead and launch.

Minutes: no objection to the October 3rd 2015 Board meeting minutes.

Officers' Reports:

President's Report: (attached)

Dave shared how well the installment went and shared concerns about opening day when we can expect up to 50 boats being launched that day. The Forest Service will be there along with volunteers from PLOA. A Volunteer sign- up sheet to monitor the containment system will be presented at the annual meeting until then Cliff, Quinns, and Jim will take care of it.

Board Membership: Dave, Cliff, and Hal all volunteered to stay on the Board.

Treasurer:

Hal informed us that the Administrative account has a balance of \$2,311.61 and the 501c3 account has \$8,732.25 and explained the online fees shown. Liz asked if there was any responses from the reminder letters she sent out and yes one member responded with payment as they had forgotten.

Secretary:

Nothing to add to the posted reports than to thank everyone for the hard work put into the projects that benefit everyone on the lake.

Dave made motion to accept the Officers reports seconded by Liz – carried.

Lake Management Report:

- Lake Testing:

Jim showed a brochure (containment system with lake map) he had made and gave out at the Boat landing. They went real fast and being they are expensive he wondered about its value. Maybe a sign at the boat landing with reference to the website would

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suffice. He turned in his expenses for the various lake water tests and the \$52.50 for the brochures which did not have prior approval by the board. Liz made motion to reimburse Jim for the brochures seconded by Cliff. Motion carried.

- Containment Area

There were a few minor problems, none recorded. The thought of a camera was biggest issue and we decided not to put it up unless there becomes a problem with vandalism. We have camera ready to go. There will be increased Forest Service Monitoring especially on opening day.

The installation went well noting things to tweak in the future.

Interest in project:

Jim attended the MLSA conference and gave a presentation on the containment area and accepted the prestigious *Riparian of the year award* for our association. It will be displayed at the annual meeting. Be sure to check it out. We are proud of our group that worked so hard to obtain such an honor for our association.

The containment area was featured in articles in the "Riparian" Magazine and Vilas county newspaper. Other lake associations have requested information, more Wisconsin entities interested than Michigan?? We have informed all agencies (FS, DNR-WI & MI, GLIFWC, County & State)

Suggestive Plans for improvement

- a. Pursue granting funds - Hal will help Jim to apply
- b. Brushes for entrance
- c. Altering water chemistry for "boat dip"
- d. Add longer throat to ent/exit
- e. Add air wash system to enhance containment
- f. Rent a power washer for removal

Insurance

Send policy to Jack Tobias at Okum Insurance for review. Dave will look over, make comparisons and make recommendations

- Contacts and visits

GLIFWC -- Indians want to plant Wild Rice in North Bay – they need to get permission from the Sensenbrenners who own the surrounding property. Perch Lake has tested high in Mercury. Caution should be taken and fish over 20 inches should be avoided.

MI DNR -- Mining threat; there are applications for permits to mine in Iron County that we should be aware of and it is our belief that the environmental process is sufficient to protect us at this time and that we must realize that mining is a way of life in this area.

Interesting newsletter article with pictures of weeds on trailer parked at boat landing on Perch Lake.

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Forest Service Is unable to help with funding but they are working on improving 4 wheeler access.

Iron County Lakes and Streams partnership is a way to get more eyes on area lakes.

- a. Continued effort to expand CLMP
- b. Expanding outreach program to area lakes (handout)
- c. Instituting meander lake surveys of area lakes
- d. Collecting local agencies survey data and sharing with members and associated agency

We will have a Dive at the boat landing this summer and will discuss at the annual meeting weather or not to do a follow up Plant survey to compare results.

Nominations Committee:

Bill Pence has been trying to recruit members to accept a position on the board and noted that most have agreed to continue serving.

Membership /Historian:

Cliff informed us that there was no impact on the letters that was sent out and that we have probably reached our maximum membership. He is working on the histories of the properties on the lake and is interested in getting information from the Riparian's on when they became owners, etc.

Hal made a motion to spend up to \$150 to buy the Riparian Magazines for all Riparian's. seconded by Cliff Unanimously carried. This magazine has a wonderful article and pictures of the containment system.

Old Business:

Nexter status; Hal did some research on what other Associations have done he chose 3 for reference. He also comprised a potential application of membership Alternatives to PLOA "nexter" membership. Dave will send out this information so the members will have a chance to review and comment at the annual meeting.

We will continue to monitor Perch Lake /Perch River water level.

By-law revisions adopted at the 7-4-15 annual meeting have been incorporated into by-laws amended July 2015

Dave made motion to donate \$50.00 to the Iron County Lake Association 2016 membership, Cliff seconded - motion carried.

New Business:

PLOA website is in the process of being updated by Brian Cryst

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Dave will draw up an agenda for the annual meeting and send out for comments

PLOA future was discussed. How will we get funding and to keep the containment system operating? Maybe pay someone to put in and take out?? What is our maintenance budget?

Insurance for 2016 will be due in July. Dave is checking existing company for premium quote and compare Steward vs Okum.

Hal moved to Adjourn Dave seconded – motion carried

Have a great summer
Respectfully submitted
Carol Hicks-Brown

President's Report for PLOA JULY 2016 Annual & Board Meetings

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Summer Treasurers Report 2016

(activity since last report)

	Administrative Account		Withdrawal Detail	501C3 Account		Withdrawal Detail
	Deposit	Withdrawal		Deposit	Withdrawal	
Starting Balance	\$ 2,311.61			\$ 8,732.75		
April		\$ 3.00	online fee			
May	\$ 220.00	\$ 40.00	transfer of donated funds	\$ 40.00		
June					\$ 267.50	water quality supplies Iron Co. Lake & Stream
					\$ 50.00	Partnership
					\$ 831.00	Liability insurance
Current Balance	\$ 2,488.61			\$ 8,123.75		
Penidng Expenses		\$ 24.72	copying costs	\$ 84.14		cable ties for net
		??	D&O Insurance			

NOTE: PLOA fiscal year is Jan - Dec. Dues are payable July - June.

Spring Treasurers Report 2016

(activity since last report)

	Administrative Account		Withdrawal Detail	501C3 Account		Withdrawal Detail
	Deposit	Withdrawal		Deposit	Withdrawal	
Starting Balance	\$ 2,077.61			\$ 8,161.25		
Sept	\$ 120.00					
Oct					\$ 3.00	online fee
Nov	\$ 60.00					
			\$80 transfer to 501c3, \$100 MLSA			
Dec		\$ 180.00	fee	\$ 580.00		
Jan	\$ 60.00	\$ 3.00	online fee		\$ 3.00	online fee
Feb	\$ 180.00	\$ 3.00	online fee		\$ 3.00	online fee
March						
April	statement not yet available			statement not yet available		
Current Balance	\$ 2,311.61			\$ 8,732.25		

Fall Treasurers Report 2015

(activity since July report at annual meeting)

	Administrative Account		Withdrawal Detail	501C3 Account		Withdrawal Detail
	Deposit	Withdrawal		Deposit	Withdrawal	
Starting Balance	\$ 1,619.17			\$ 18,468.00		
June	\$ 100.00			\$ 136.12	\$ 10,442.00	containment net purchase
			\$3984.56 transfer of donations to 501c3 account, \$162 to Jim Novitski for CLMP			
July	\$ 4,835.00	\$ 4,146.56	expenses	\$ 4,184.56	\$ 4,416.00	\$426 for Lud Stoor Liability Ins., \$3990 to Jim Novitski for containment expenses
						\$50 to Iron Co. Lake & Streams Assoc., \$119.68 to Margo Janiak for containment volunteers
August	\$ 120.00	\$ 450.00	D&O insurance	\$ 400.00	\$ 169.68	food
Sept	statement not yet available			statement not yet available		
Current Balance	\$ 2,077.61			\$ 8,161.25		