

BMLID ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES JUNE 9, 2018

The meeting was called to order by vice chairperson Jim Yost at 9:00 AM

Board members present were: Jim Yost, Rob Campbell, Roger Fenstad, Craig Johnson, Jon Lundby, and Cyndy Wedryk.

Board member absent: Don Beck

The minutes from the annual meeting from last year were read and approved unanimously.

The treasures report was read by Rob Campbell. Motion to approve was made by Fenstad and seconded by Lundby, and the motion passed unanimously.

The proposed budget was distributed and discussed. It was noted that our reserve fund is where we wanted it to be when the LID was formed, so that we are now budgeting only enough for ongoing expenses and, therefore, our taxes will be going down. It was moved by Campbell and seconded by Fenstad to approve the budget. The motion passed unanimously.

A presentation was made by Jim Wolters, MNDNR area fisheries supervisor. He reports that our lake was surveyed in August of 2017 using both gill nets and trap nets. A copy of that report is enclosed. His assessment is that our fish numbers are satisfactory, and the DNR plans on continuing stocking every other year, including this year. He has recommended that the BMLID also continue alternate year stocking, and to catch up for last years inability to stock, we could either increase our stocking for 2019 and 2021 to 300# (up from 200#) , or we could stock this fall with yearlings in addition to what the DNR does this year.

Craig Johnson discussed using our \$5000 grant from the Freshwater Society to encourage landowners to plant trees to help stabilize the shoreline, especially in the hard hit north beach area. The program would provide 2 , 3 to 5 foot trees per property at a cost of \$15 per tree. The rest of the cost, including planting, would be covered by the grant. The first 2 trees would need to be within 15 feet of the normal high water mark, but can be elsewhere in subsequent years. Sign up will be in Feb, 2019, with further information on the web sight. It was moved by Bill Hager and seconded by Roger Fenstad to approve this funding, with first prioritizing trees to the north side, then to other areas.

Craig also announced that he will reschedule his lakeshore management open house at his house, which was cancelled last year because of the storm, to Sat, June 23rd, 10 AM to 1 PM.

Roger Fenstad reported on lake elevation data. Our ordinary high water level is 1354.9 feet (1988 datum) , the current level is 1353.7, and the weir height is 1353.1.

Jon Lundby reported on the Mn aquatic invasive species educational program. The board has previously approved covering expenses for a volunteer to attend. Craig Johnson agreed to do so.

Junelle Christianson reported on our water quality testing. Our May Secchi disc reading was 26 feet, compared to last years reading of 20 feet. The OTC water quality testing results were handed out and discussed and will be placed on the web site. Of note is the fact that our calcium level is "moderately suitable" for zebra mussel growth.

A request for a volunteer to the OTC COLA was made, and Vern Tomanek kindly agreed to do so.

Election of board members was discussed. Craig Johnson is up for reelection, and Roger Fenstad, after many years on the BMLID and lake association boards, has decided to retire. Prior to the meeting, one person, Lonnie Lowe, agreed to run. Nominations from the floor were solicited, and no one applied. It was then moved by Fenstad and seconded by Bill Kipley, to close the nominations and accept Craig Johnson and Lonnie Lowe as directors. This passed unanimously.

The boat parade will be at noon on July 4th. Those interested in registering should contact Jeff Dostal at 701-367-6846. Gift certificates to Spankies of \$100, \$50, and \$25 will be awarded to the top 3.

The next annual meeting will be on Sat., June 8, 2019.

Meeting adjourne at 10:10 AM

Respectfully submitted,

Rob Campbell, Secretary/treasurer