BMLID Annual Meeting Minutes - June 3, 2017

The meeting was held at the Dent senior citizens center and was called to order at 9:00 AM by chairman Don Beck.

The minutes of the 2016 annual meeting were distributed. It was moved by Keith Brokke and seconded by Tim Spiess to accept them as written, and passed unanimoulsly.

The treasurer's report was distributed and read by Rob Campbell. A motion to accept them was made by Roger Fenstad and seconded by Craig Johnson. This passed unanimously.

An update on ditch 25 was given by Don Beck. Kevin Felbaum, OTC ditch inspector, had been contacted, and he reported that the plan for the outlet has been drawn up by the county engineer and this has been sent to the DNR for approval. A question was raised as to what invert elevation was planned, and Don Beck agreed to ask the engineer.

Beaver activity at both the north and south ends has been noticed, but it appears that trapping has been successful so far.

Craig Johnson reported that the Comprehensive Lake Management Plan is in the final stages of development and is expected to be completed by the end of this month. It will be distributed by email and/or placed on the web site. He also announced that as part of the plan, he will be hosting an open house on June 24 at his house to demonstrate landscaping concepts.

The chair brought up the problem that we are having with the boat access ramp. The county is responsible for maintaining the ramp, but they are having great difficulty county wide with erosion at the end of the ramps due to "power loading" of boats on to trailers. There is no easy solution to the probem other than to avoid the practice.

Tim Spiess announced that he will be updating the directory.

Lori Beck reported on the nuisance properties on county road #35. She has contacted Doug Huebsch for direction. She has filed a complaint with the bureau of Land and Resources Management. Other avenues possible include checking in to criminal activity or public health violations.

Caterpillar spraying was discussed and appears to have been successful this year. Keith Brokke suggested that part of Engstrom beach road would not need to be sprayed in

the future as they do not seem to have a probem in his area. This will be communicted to the sprayer next year.

The proposed budget for the coming year was reviewed and discussed. There was a question as to what to do with the unused funds budgeted for fish stocking. It was moved by Roger Fenstad and seconded by Tim Spiess to increase the amount of fish stocking to match the budgeted amount. The motion passed. A motion to accept the budget was made by Rob Campbell and seconded by Ross Johnson. The motion passed unanimously.

Water testing was discussed. Junelle Christianson reported that the Secci disk readings this spring were 20, 20, and 21 feet at different locations, but were possibly falsly low because of overcast weather at the time.

Rob Campbell brought up some concerns that Pat McErlane has, as Pat was not able to attend the meeting. He had proposed the following amendment to the bylaws: "That none of the funds held in reserve by the BMLID be used for legal fees". The motion and the process by which the bylaws can be amended were discussed. It was noted that the board of directors had already voted against the motion unanimously. A vote of the membership present was taken, and the result by the number of properties represented was 33 to 0 against.

The question as to whether liability insurance for the BMLID is needed was raised. The chair and/ or board members will research this with the county.

Lori Beck made a request that fishermen respect the property owners and not throw trash overboard. Tim Spiess also noted yard waste being thrown in the lake, and advised owners not to do so. It was noted that Vergas has a landfill that can be used for an annual fee of \$40.

It was moved by Tim Spiess and seconded by Carol Myre to hold the next annual meeting on Saturday, June 9, 2018.

Current board members up for re election this year are Rob Campbell and Cyndy Wedryk who have both indicate a desire to remain on the board. No other nominations were received before the meeting. The chair asked for nominations from the floor, and none were offered. Jon Lundby moved that nominations cease and that a unamimous ballot be cast. Seconded by Barry Dresser. Motion carried.

Tim Spiess announced that the boat parade will be held on Sunday, July 2 at 2 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 AM

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Respectfully submitted,