

Lower Turtle Lake Management District
October 10, 2020 meeting minutes

Present: Steve Miller, Mary Jo Bonner, Gary Warner, Jim Gores, Hoyt Rose & Sandra Scheps
Absent: Steve Stiles
13 land owners present.

Steve Miller declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 8:02 A.M. We met outside in the parking lot with a temperature of 47 degrees.

Steve asked for a motion to approve the August 8, 2020 annual meeting minutes as posted on the website, a motion was made, second and approved.

Gary W. gave the treasurer's report with a beginning checking acct. balance \$17,540.75 with the Barron County August settlement & the AIS grant of \$7,269.19, less expenses of meeting material, insurance, shoreline restoration, & LEAPS for an ending balance of \$23,934.87, total assets with CD's is \$64,399.49. A motion was made and seconded to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Old Business

Shoreline Restoration-Sue Rheingans reported that 5 land owners have participated in the program with just under \$1000.00 being given out, mostly in trees and shrubs in the 35 ft. of the shoreline. They are hoping to do a program to get land owners to plant some grasses so they don't mow right up to the lake.

Water testing-Sue R. reported that the Chlorophyll was twice as high as it was a year ago. The temperature of the lake was also higher. It was noted that rainfall was up in July and August.

Organic Residue facility is still open. The township has cleared the area up so there is plenty of space at the site north of Turtle Lake.

The 2018-2019 CLP Planning project grant is completed. We applied the volunteer hours which included the water testing, monitoring at the boat landings, assessing the down trees in the water, Gary W. and Steve M.'s work. Sue thanked them for the work they did on the Grant.

New Business

CBCW grant-The district signed up to do 200 hours in monitoring, LEAPS did 150+ hours, volunteers did approximately 10 hours. The final grant proceeds will be prorated based on actual hours achieved because of COVID-19.

Renewal- There was discussion if we should apply for the grant for 2021. It is thought the deadline to apply is by Nov. 1st. After further discussion the following resolution was brought forward as a motion and second:

Lower Turtle Lake Management District requests grant funds under the Department of Natural Resources Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Grant program and hereby authorize Steven Miller to act on its behalf by signing and submitting an application for financial assistance: completing and submitting periodic reports, if needed and taking necessary actions to direct and complete Clean Boats Clean

Waters project. Lower Turtle Lake Management District will meet the financial obligations of the AIS program. Resolution was approved.

Curly Leaf Pondweed treatment-Summer 2021: There was some discussion about the safety of the wildlife, fish and the need to take action now to be ready in the spring when the treatment is applied. We would be looking at spraying it year by year. There are approximately 5 beds of CLP that are being monitored. A motion was made to proceed with CLP treatment in 2021 if the mapping shows we need to do it, seconded and approved with 1 nay.

Grass waterway payment 2020- There was a motion to pay Dale Scheps for the grass buffer strip for 2020, seconded and approved.

Open Forum- There was nothing new from the township or the county.

A motion was made and second to adjourn the meeting at 8:46 A.M. Motion carried.

Respectively submitted by Sandra Scheps, Secretary