Big Kandiyohi Lake Association Directors Meeting Minutes Zoom

Wednesday January 20, 2021 @ 6:00pm

Present:

Jerry Brustuen, Jerry Neubauer, John Neubauer, John Baumgartner, Bob Porath, Paul Wallert, & Janet Wallert.

Special guests: Duane Anderson-Kandiyohi County Commissioner, Krista Krupa – Kandiyohi County environmental specialist, Matt Summers – Wenck Assoc. environmental Scientist.

Absent: Steve Wood & Dave Peterson

Agenda Approval: Motion made by John B. 2nd by Bob P. Motion Carried. **Minutes Approval 10/21/2020 & 11/18/20:** Motion made by John N. 2nd by Bob P. Motion carried.

Financial Report: \$13,342.93 - current balance of checking account after \$1695.80 paid to Kandiyohi County for pilings. Financial report approval. Motion made by Janet W. 2nd by John B. Motion carried.

General Updates

Community Septic Assessment (Matthew Summers – Wenck)

Matt Summer stated the process of an assessment moving forward would be for the Big Kandiyohi Lake Association board of directors to discuss if we choose to move forward, Approval from Kandiyohi County Board of Commissioners, Contract signed, and then assessment could begin. We would discuss communications with lake property owners, informational meetings, voluntary property visits. Note-property visits will take place for those that volunteer and sign a property permission form.

Approval of Wenck's scope of work: Motion made by John B. 2nd by John N. Motion carried.

AIS/I-LIDS Report: Jerry B. stated that we had requested \$3900 grant money for the harvest of curly leaf pond weed from the AIS Task Force. The AIS Task Force Committee approved \$1950 – 50%. Previously the Lake Association Board of

Directors approved \$900 in operating cost for each I-LID in 2021. The actual cost is looking closer to \$1060 for each I-LID for operating costs. Jerry B. reminded us that the Lake Lillian Sportsman Club will help with some of the operating costs. Lake Wakanda Drawdown update: The drawdown started 11/09/20. As of 01/14/2021, the water level in Lake Wakanda was down 1 foot. Recently the water has been going out the outlet.

In-let and Out-let updates: Tim Johnson got a permit to sein game fish out of Lake Wakanda and transfer them into Big Kandiyohi Lake. The DNR will be at the sight during the transfer. Paul W. mentioned that Tim J. measuring the oxygen level in Lake Wakanda. When he started, the oxygen level was 10 parts/million. Now the oxygen level is 4 parts/million.

Johnson Slough Dredging: February 17th Association meeting agenda. Overland ditch cleaning-to and from Big Kandi Lake – Feb. 17th Association meeting agenda.

Sandbars – BK and LL Inlets: Water is finally going out the outlet. Sand bar by the outlet has washed away from the Lake Wakanda drawdown.

Board Self-Assessment Phase 1: February 17th Association meeting agenda.

Dumpsters Update: Three dumpsters delivered, located at Park East, Park West, and access on Northern Lights Beach. Use of dumpsters are monitored and are being used appropriately.

New Business

MN Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center (MAISRC): With the board of director's support, Jerry B. will be reaching out to MAISRC, to offer Big Kandiyohi Lake for research.

Cormorant Rule: Progress is being made at the State level in hopes that permits will be available in the near future to help control the cormorant population. Jerry B. renewed the permit for the harvest of Curly Leaf Pondweed.

Next meeting: February 17th @ 6:00 pm in person at Athmann's Inn in Bird Island.

Adjourn meeting: Motion made by Paul W. 2nd by Janet. Meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm.

Written by Janet Wallert, secretary.