

LAKE METONGA ASSOCIATION  
MEETING MINUTES

DATE: November 12, 2021

TIME: 9:00 AM

MEETING TYPE: BOARD

SPECIAL

LOCATION: Gary Goeman's Home

PRESENT: Mark Truymen, Gary Goeman, Jim Elam, Steve Parks, Julie Janquart (Virtual)

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**I. Agenda Approval**

Steve Parks asked that the Newsletter be included under *VII.D. Other Updates*. With that request Gary Goeman made a motion to approve the agenda with the additional item included which was seconded by Steve Parks and carried by unanimous vote.

**II. Secretary Report (Janquart)**

**A. 9-9-21 Meeting Minutes Approval (Submitted electronically)**

One correction was made by Steve Parks indicating that under *X. Outreach Committee Updates*, it should indicate that Don Le Master (not Steve Parks) would contact the county to learn if the south landing would be opened to property owners for the removal of pontoon boats in the fall. With this correction made Jim Elam made the motion to approve the minutes which was seconded by Steve Parks and carried by unanimous vote.

**B. Membership Contact List Modifications**

Julie Janquart informed the board that she had met with Chris Ebben, Outreach Committee to look at some possible modifications to the LMA Contact list spreadsheet which would enable Chris to easily gather information for the Outreach Committee in their effort to recruit new individual members. Julie explained that with her minimal experience with spreadsheets and after reviewing the possible changes with Chris she recognized several benefits to making the suggested changes informing them that she and Chris will work together closely with all future contact lists. With Chris understanding the importance of guarding individual's private contact information, Julie feels working with Chris will lead to increased membership!

**III. Treasure Report**

**A. Financial Report & Board Approval**

Jim Elam provided a verbal treasure report which included account funds and a summary of only a few checks written since the last board meeting including the \$12,400 contribution (hand-delivered by Gary Mueller) to Forest County for the Veteran's Campground project which was approved at the previous board meeting. A motion to approve the treasurer report was made by Gary Goeman, seconded by Steve Parks and approved unanimously

**B. Alternative Investment Options (Elam & LeMaster)**

With the two C.D.'s up for renewal in December, the board decided to table this topic from the previous meeting to enable exploration of possible options for generating more funds through increased interest rates in lieu of renewing the C.D.'s at a lower interest rate. After a review of current interest rates on C.D.'s and comparisons to money market account rates, the discussion moved toward needing to keep funds accessible for possible larger expenditures in 2022 which a C.D. would inhibit. Also, board members discussed the possibility of decreasing the number of fund accounts if the C.D.'s are not renewed. Gary Goeman made a motion to consolidate funds in the Membership and Square Saving Accounts along with the two C.D.'s into a new money market account. The motion was seconded by Steve Parks and carried by a unanimous vote.

**IV. 2018 Management Planning Grant: Reimbursement Paperwork Update (Truman)**

Mark Truymen reported that he, Jim Elam and Steve Parks met two weeks prior to this meeting to determine what financial transactions needed to be documented and submitted to the DNR for the final Grant Reimbursement Request. Jim Elam then indicated that all but one record had already been sent to Josephine Barlament, Onterra. Mark then informed the board that he and Julie Janquart would be meeting November 13, 2022 to finalize the list of *In-Kind* hours completed by the Planning Committee, LMA Executive Board, Mark Truymen, Steve Parks and Julie Janquart, which will then be submitted to Onterra as well, completing the list of required records.

**V. Aquatic Plant & AIS Committee (Mueller)**

**A. 2021 Fall Mapping Results**

A copy of the 2021 EWM Fall Mapping and a brief summary of the results was sent by Onterra to members of the LMA board, which will be shared with LMA members and the general public through the upcoming newsletter and website. Board members acknowledged that there were no significant changes or increased number of locations which was positive considering we have not done treatments in the last three years. Julie Janquart mentioned that the only notable change she saw was in the area of increased density at locations that already existed.

### **B. Spring Milfoil Treatment**

With Gary Mueller unable to attend this meeting, Mark Truymen provided a summary of Gary's information regarding a new non-abrasive chemical treatment at a cost of \$1,500 per acre that had been done on Silver Lake which is apparently determined to be effective with less negative impact on native plants, etc. He then indicated that Gary Mueller is planning to contact Eddie Heath of Onterra for assistance in petitioning the DNR for a permit to treat a pre-determined 20-acre area to do a test of its effectiveness.

### **C. Clean Boats, Clean Waters Grant (Janquart)**

Julie Janquart reported that the LMA application for the 2022 CBCW Grant of \$8,000 which was due November 1, 2021 has already been approved by the DNR. She went on to explain that an update pertaining to funds expended for the 2021 CBCW Grant reimbursement could not be reported at this time as she was awaiting a copy of the final bill from the City of Crandon. Julie reminded the board that the actual reimbursement amount will be less than other years due to the closure of the south landing.

### **D. Other**

No other discussion

## **VI. Fisheries & Habitat Committee (Janquart)**

### **A. Mike Preul Meeting Summary**

Julie Janquart explained that she had met with Mike Preul at the Mole Lake Hatchery approximately three weeks earlier to update him on LMA's (Fisheries & Habitat Committee) *Bullhead Reduction Program*, discuss the DNR Walleye Survey results, and discuss planning for next year. Julie explained that she prepared a summary sheet with all information related to the work completed this summer including the Mueller Bullhead Minnow Collection Program data to share with Mike Preul, the LMA board and F&H Committee (Attached as an Addendum). Mike felt that the reproduction of walleye in Metonga is in good shape but next year it is critical that we continue the plan for long-term impact. With that said, Julie reported to the board that he is committed to electroshocking next year and was very pleased with LMA's efforts this year.

### **B. Electroshocking / LMA Contribution Approval**

Gary Goeman reported that word was out that the Lake Lucerne Association was planning on donating \$5,000 to Mike Preul's work on their lake and FCAL would be donating \$1,000 as well. After providing the above summary, Julie Janquart indicated that the total expenditures thus far for the Bullhead project was \$2,496.22 out of the \$10,000 approved earlier this year. Julie Janquart then made a motion to approve the expenditure of \$7,500 to Mole Lake Hatchery for 2021 Electroshocking, Bullhead removal and Program Planning Consultation for a total 2021 expenditure of \$10,000. The motion was seconded by Steve Parks and carried with a unanimous vote.

### **C. DNR Walleye Survey Discussion**

With the 2021 fall survey results received from Greg Matzke, DNR Biologist and forwarded electronically by Julie Janquart to all board members prior to this meeting the discussion proceeded. All board members agreed that the implications in these positive results confirmed that the investment in Bullhead Removal Project undertaken this year had a very favorable impact on the Walleye population warranting continuation of this program and sharing details with LMA members in the upcoming newsletter and on our website.

### **D. Other Updates**

No other topics discussed

## **VII. Outreach Committee (Parks)**

### **A. Possible Web Provider Change (Elam) Tabled from last Meeting**

Jim Elam indicated that the person his business has contracted with for website work is a local individual by the name of Greta Williams and her son at a cost of \$120 to host. When asked about details pertaining to hourly expense for routine site updates, etc. Jim indicated that he would be meeting with and learning these details in a meeting later in the day. With that information yet being sought, the decision to change to a different service provider was tabled to the next meeting.

### **B. Website Renewal Fee**

Steve Parks reminded the board that the software fee to *Word Press* was due soon to which it was decided that Jim Elam would learn later today from Ms. Williams if this software would be compatible with software used by her then determine the need to pay the *Word Press* invoice.

### **C. Other Updates: Newsletter (Added in I. Agenda Approval)**

Steve Parks indicated that he would be working on the newsletter in the next couple weeks summarizing some of the articles he hoped to include and indicating to individual board members specific topics he would like them to address in brief articles to be submitted as soon as possible.

## **VIII. Possible Fundraiser for Mike Preul's Program (Truymen)**

With the approved motion to contribute \$7,500.00 for 2021 Electroshocking to Mole Lake Hatchery under VI.B. (above), this topic was not discussed.

**IX. Eagle Camera Repair**

Jim Elam indicated that he found someone who agreed to climb the tree, pull down the camera for repair and subsequently put it back up. The intention will be to get the repair done as soon as possible with winter weather on the way and the eagle pair already beginning some nest repairs.

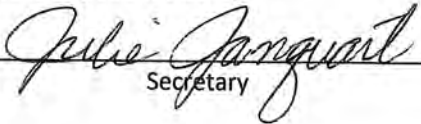
**X. Additional Agenda Items**

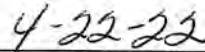
No other topics were added.

**XI. Next Meeting / Adjournment**

The next meeting will be tentatively set for sometime in March by Mark Truymen.

Respectfully submitted by:

  
Secretary

  
Date

# **ADDENDUM TO NOVEMBER 12, 2021 BOARD MEETING**

## **2021 FISHERIES & HABITAT COMMITTEE REPORT BULLHEAD HARVEST PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

### **ESTIMATED HOURS**

3 – 1.5 Hour Meetings x 6 committee members	27
Program and document preparations (JJ & GR)	80
Collection Program advertising preparations (outreach)	30
Collection Program team hours (recorded)	34
Harvest, storage and delivery time (approximation)	80
Committee communication time (emailing)	<u>8</u>
<b>TOTAL HOURS</b>	<b>259</b>

### **EXPENSES**

Mailing to property owners	\$110.00
Forestry Suppliers (Dip Nets & Replacement Nets)	\$434.38
Redemptions @ Collection Dock (Certificates)	\$290.00
Drawing Payout (Certificates)	\$400.00
Collection Workers (Certificates)	\$210.00
Hahn Printing (Dock Signs)	\$235.77
Nets (Seign & Fry Nets)	\$618.32
Newspaper Advertising	<u>\$197.75</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$2,496.22</b>

### **HARVEST APPROXIMATION**

June to July 17:	8 ¾ Gallons @ 200+ per tablespoon	= 400,000 to 500,000 Fry
July 18 to August 14:	14 ¾ Gallons @ 21,000 per gallon	= 360,000 to 500,000 Minnows

**\*\*Note:** *The Estimated Hours and Harvest Approximation are likely higher totals as individuals indicated willingness to harvest fry and minnows but were unwilling to report their harvest amount for a variety of different reasons.*