

LAKE METONGA ASSOCIATION
MEETING MINUTES

DATE: April 22, 2022 TIME: 1:00 PM LOCATION: Goeman Residence
PRESENT: Mark Truyman, Gary Goeman, Julie Janquart, Steve Parks, Gary Mueller

I. Agenda Approval

At the request of Gary Goeman (IX.A. Potawatomi Grant Discussion) and Mark Truyman (IX.B. WAL Membership) two items were added to the agenda under IX. *Additional Agenda Items*. A motion was then made to approve the agenda with the additional items by Gary Goeman, seconded by Steve Parks and carried by unanimous vote.

II. Secretary Report (Janquart)

A. 11-12-21 Meeting Minutes (Submitted Electronically) & Approval Vote

With there being no questions or corrections made, Steve Parks made a motion to approve the 11-12-21 Meeting Minutes which was seconded by Gary Goeman and carried by unanimous vote.

B. Membership Data Report

Julie Janquart reported that as of today LMA has 5 Business and 161 Individual Members for 2022. Of that total fourteen people are new members (not members in 2020 & 2021) and eight renewals (members in 2020, not 2021)

III. Treasurer Report (Elam)

A. Financial Report & Approval Vote

With Jim Elam not in attendance and no report received electronically prior to the meeting, this item was tabled to the next meeting.

IV. Aquatic Plant & AIS Committee Report (Mueller)

A. 2021 Fall Mapping Results

Gary Mueller indicated that the 2021 Fall Mapping results were a focal point during the online meeting held with representatives from the WDNR, Onterra and some LMA Board members recently when discussing the possibility of LMA contracting with Hamilton to do a treatment of EWM using a new, non-toxic chemical in Metonga. He explained the mapping results were instrumental in narrowing down the proposed area to Strawberry Bay. Julie Janquart expressed concern regarding the timeline for this project which resulted in a lack of DNR Grant funding as the application for this had to be in by November 1, 2021, to be eligible. Gary Mueller explained that if left untreated this year, history shows that it is likely to multiply in density and/or acreage before 2023. Julie also raised concerns about the Aquatic Plant & AIS Committee not being part of the ground-level planning. Mark Truyman indicated that we need to ask Onterra to complete the Fall Mapping in a timelier manner and suggested Onterra meet annually with the committee to discuss mapping results. Gary Mueller indicated that he would be meeting with the committee some time in the next week.

B. 2022 Strawberry Bay Milfoil Treatment: Formal Board Approval (Janquart)

After the online meeting with the DNR, Mark Truyman initiated an email asking all board members to cast a "yes" or "no" vote to approve a budget of \$40,000 for EWM Treatment project should the DNR give their final approval. **Subsequently, all board members returned a vote of "yes" for this project.** (See addendum for record of online voting.)

C. Strawberry Bay Milfoil Treatment Update

Mark Truyman provided to board members a copy of the 2022 EWM Control Monitoring Project Estimate, received from Onterra with the total cost coming in at \$32,855. Mark then explained that before the DNR can approve the project and award a permit, the chemical supplier (Hamilton) must post notification of the possible treatment in the Forest Republican and mail a notification to individuals with waterfront property near the proposed location, giving them 5 days to respond. Results of this notice become part of the application documentation to which the DNR will then make its decision regarding the permit. Mark then summarized a 3-year Warranty that LMA could purchase (\$1,500) on the proposed chemical and after a brief discussion of related details the board agreed that we would not pursue it.

D. 2022 Clean Boat Clean Water Grant & Hiring Update (Janquart)

After notifying the board six weeks earlier via email that Emma Eisenschink was resigning from the CBCW Coordinator position, Julie updated the board on the progress for program rollout and hiring process for inspectors and a new coordinator. Indicating that the job openings were posted in newspaper ads, an eblast and emails to area school counselors she said we have three confirmed inspectors for this summer but no inquiries regarding the coordinator position. With 12 to 15 hours of work dedicated to the CBCW program, Julie indicated that she has begun the work of preparing for this summer including the hiring process, employee paperwork and payroll preparation which may be submitted on a time sheet to the city as coordinator payroll. Board members encouraged Julie to submit the hours for payroll and thanked her for her efforts thus far. She will be placing another advertisement in the Pioneer Press for the coordinator position only.

When asked about the current rate of pay Julie indicated that it is \$11 per hour for new inspectors, \$12 for second-year employees and \$13 for the coordinator. Gary Goeman then showed the board an advertisement of Lake Lucerne's CBCW job openings with the hourly wage for inspectors as starting at \$13 per hour. After a brief discussion regarding payroll comparisons and the possibility of losing employees to Lake Lucerne for a high wage, **Gary Goeman made a motion to raise the inspector payroll from the current \$11 & \$12 per hour to \$13 and the coordinator payroll from \$13 to \$15 per hour. The motion was seconded by Steve Parks and carried unanimously.**

E. Other Updates

No other items for discussion

V. Fisheries & Habitat Committee (Janquart)

A. 2022 Bullhead Harvest Project Update

Julie summarized the minutes from a recent virtual meeting held on April 11, 2022, which included all committee members as well as Mike Preul, Mole Lake, and Greg Matzke, DNR. The committee focused on a summary of the 2021 program with Mike and Greg expressing gratitude for the work done by LMA and then the committee moved on to planning for 2022 spring/summer project. Greg Matzke informed the group that his DNR supervisors are requiring the volunteer application process again despite the request made by Julie Janquart to allow LMA to apply as an organization rather than individual permitting. Finally, the committee identified preliminary tasks that need to be completed in preparation for the *Bullhead Minnow Harvest* with individuals agreeing to handle different aspects of the plan.

B. 2022 Electroshocking Update

Mike indicated that his crew would hit the water immediately after ice-out to do the electroshock and harvest adult bullhead which will be given to the raptor centers in Rhinelander and Antigo with a non-publicized give away to individuals who contact him personally. He also explained that after electroshocking is done, he will be doing the walleye population estimate followed by a bass survey estimate which will yield data to determine project impact.

C. Mole Lake Fish Hatchery Donation

Mark Truymen reported that the contribution to the Mole Lake Fish Hatchery of \$7,500 approved in 2021 for electroshocking work will be presented to Mike Preul at an FCAL meeting to be held at the hatchery on Friday May 20, 2022, at 9:30am.

D. Other Updates

Julie Janquart explained that the committee asked Greg Matzke if posting signage labeling bullhead as a nuisance fish at each landing would be acceptable to which he responded that the association could do it, but the DNR cannot. With that clarification committee members agreed to pursue the idea. She then explained the committee was requesting a \$5,000 budget for the 2022 Bullhead Harvest program that the money will be used for incentives, mailing costs and sign materials. **Mark Truymen made a motion to approve a \$5,000 budget which was seconded by Gary Goeman and carried unanimously.**

VI. Outreach Committee (Parks)

A. Web Provider Change? (Elam)

With Jim Elam not in attendance and other board members unaware of details, Mark Truymen and Gary Goeman agreed to meet with Jim after this meeting and the discussion was tabled to the next meeting.

B. Newsletter Transition & Future Articles

Steve Parks informed the board that this will be his last year for serving as author/editor of the newsletter, confirming that he will finish out this year. He explained that he has begun the process of searching for a replacement and has reached out to someone at Nicolet College hoping to find interested students. Without success he did get the name of a graduate who freelances and will be contacting her soon. The board recognizes that finding volunteers to do this work is near impossible and that we will need to pay for this service, tossing around a couple of ideas for businesses in the area.

C. Website Update (Parks)

With Jim Elam not in attendance, this item was tabled to the next meeting.

D. Other Updates

Mark Truymen informed the board that the committee has a meeting scheduled for 4:00pm today and with event planning and clothing sales being the focus. Mark then explained that with most of her stock sold, Chris Ebben was working with a different vendor to purchase clothing to access a wider variety of apparel and in a timelier manner, requesting a budget of \$9,000 to purchase new stock for re-sale. **Julie Janquart made a motion to approve the \$9,000 budget which was seconded by Mark Truymen and carried unanimously.**

VII. Event Scheduling: Discussion & Tentative Dates

Annual Meeting:	Saturday, July 2, 2022, 9:00am (location pending)
Boat Parade & Picnic:	Sunday July 3, 2022, at Charlie's (time not determined)
Kentuck Festival Day:	Tentatively Saturday, July 23, 2022 (time not determined)
Art-in-the-Square:	September 24, 2022 (time not determined)
Weeds-n-Walleye Banquet:	October 1, 2022; 5:00pm to 9:00pm Mole Lake

VIII. Eagle Camera Repair (Elam)

Mark Truymen reported that the camera is working intermittently and that there is a pair of eagles living there with no eggs yet observed. He said the camera will need to be adjusted and repaired in the fall after the eagles vacate.

IX. Additional Agenda Items

A. Potawatomi Grant Discussion

Jason Headson, Town of Lincoln Chairman recently reached out to Gary Goeman to inquire if the board would be interested in applying for a \$10,000 Grant from the Forest County Potawatomi tribe and with that Gary invited him to attend the LMA board meeting. Calling in during the meeting and on speaker phone Jason explained details of the grant and gave a summary of how to apply. After a brief discussion board members agreed to pursue the grant and earmark the funds to defray the cost of the 2022 EWM treatment project. The initial grant application summary was then submitted by the board via email to Jason Headson immediately following the board meeting.

B. Wisconsin Association of Lakes (WAL) Membership

Mark Truymen informed the board that he had received the WAL Membership and asked for clarification regarding the amount of the payment as it is based on membership numbers. After Steve Parks gave a brief explanation of it and with membership forms still coming in, **Gary Goeman made a motion to submit a flat rate of \$300 to WAL, seconded by Julie Janquart and carried by unanimous vote.**

X. Adjournment

Julie Janquart made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Gary Mueller and carried with a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted by

Julie Janquart

Secretary

5-27-22

Date

ADDENDUM 4-22-22

wd: AIS Treatment

13 messages

Motion to accept the 2022 AIS Treatment Budget of \$40,000
7 Yes 0 No

mark truyman <mrtruyman@gmail.com>

Thu, Apr 7, 2022 at 8:04 AM

To: mark truyman <mrtruyman@gmail.com>, Gary Mueller <mueller@newnorth.net>, Gary Goeman <garygoeman@hotmail.com>, LMA Secretary <lmasecretary21@gmail.com>, Jim Elam <KME.jelam@gmail.com>, Don LeMaster <donlem1956@gmail.com>, Steve Parks <steveparks1207@gmail.com>

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From: <dtruy10303@aol.com>
Date: Thu, Apr 7, 2022 at 7:54 AM
Subject: AIS Treatment
To: mrtruyman@gmail.com <mrtruyman@gmail.com>

ACTION NEEDS TO BE TAKEN
2022 AIS TREATMENT

A few members of the AIS Committee and board met, per video conference, on March 18, 2022, with representatives of WDNR and Onterra.

That meeting was to discuss the possibility of treating approximately 13 acres in Strawberry Bay this year. To continue this process, we needed to obtain a treatment quote from our applicator, Schmidt Aquatics, which is \$26,181. Prior to that meeting, a budget of \$40,000 was set for the entire project. That amount is just for the treatment, as there will be additional expenses for DNR testing, Onterra testing, permits, etc. With those additional expenses, we feel we should still be well within our budget.

To keep this process moving, we need a vote from ALL board members to accept or decline the \$40,000 budget for AIS treatment in 2022. We need everyone to return email with your vote by Monday 4/11/22.

If you have any questions, please call me @ 920 676-6546 and I'll try to answer those.

Thanks for your prompt reply,

Mark Truyman

mueller@newnorth.net <mueller@newnorth.net>

Thu, Apr 7, 2022 at 8:35 AM

To: mark truyman <mrtruyman@gmail.com>, Gary Goeman <garygoeman@hotmail.com>, LMA Secretary <lmasecretary21@gmail.com>, Jim Elam <KME.jelam@gmail.com>, Don LeMaster <donlem1956@gmail.com>, Steve Parks <steveparks1207@gmail.com>

I vote yes.
Mueller

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DON LEMASTER <donlem1956@gmail.com>

Thu, Apr 7, 2022 at 8:35 AM

To: "mueller@newnorth.net" <mueller@newnorth.net>
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I vote yes.
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Gary Goeman <garygoeman@hotmail.com>

Thu, Apr 7, 2022 at 9:48 AM

To: "mueller@newnorth.net" <mueller@newnorth.net>

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This is Goeman I vote yes

Yea Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 7, 2022, at 9:35 AM, mueller@newnorth.net wrote:
Yes

I vote yes.

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Steve Parks <steveparks1207@gmail.com>

Thu, Apr 7, 2022 at 1:00 PM

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I vote yes

LMA Secretary <lmasecretary21@gmail.com>

Thu, Apr 7, 2022 at 2:14 PM

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I vote yes to accept the 2022 budget proposal of \$40,000 for the proposed ais treatment in Strawberry Bay. I do want to see direct committee involvement in the remainder of this process.

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mark truyman <mrtruyman@gmail.com>

Mon, Apr 11, 2022 at 7:18 AM

To: LMA Secretary <lmasecretary21@gmail.com>

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I vote yes.

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James Elam II <kme.jelam@gmail.com>

To: LMA Secretary <lmasecretary21@gmail.com>

I Vote with the majority...YES

Thanks

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