

**Half Moon Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District
Spring Board Meeting – May 28, 2016**

Location: Ellen Butler's cabin

Time: 1:00pm

Agenda:

1. Call to order – called to order by John at 1:05
2. Roll call – John Weber (Chair), Bud Ericksen (Vice Chair), Ellen Butler (Treasurer), Dave Balestri (Secretary), John Briegal (Fisheries), Dan Leh (CBCW), Harlen Hegdal (Township).
3. Approval of previous minutes: Dave had sent minutes right after the September 2015 meeting. Motion by Harlen to approve; seconded by John B; approved.
4. Committee Updates:
 - a. CBCW: Dan gave update on I-LIDS camera at boat launch:
 - Costs \$1,800 per summer to install and un-install (can't be connected during winter because modem doesn't work in -20 degrees)
 - We own the modem, the cylinder, and the camera, but not the software
 - We don't really use the info, other than to know how many boats are put in
 - We could use the money to staff kids at the other landing on weekends
 - It's mostly just a deterrent
 - It's sometimes hit
 - Question: should we continue to use it? Discussion: maybe put it there but don't connect it
 - John Weber made a motion to terminate software agreement but to keep the equipment installed year-round so that in the future we may potentially re-activate it and to reserve the right for the Board to turn the camera on and off at will. Seconded by Bud. Motion carries.
 - b. Township: Harlen reported on lights. Polk-Burnett is going to change all streetlights to LED. Last year, we set aside \$1,000 for cones. Harlan recommends we keep the money set aside in case we still want to buy cones. Discussion: maybe remind people via Loon Lines or annual picnic to consider your neighbors and put up a cone.
 - c. Fishing: John B reported that we were stocked last Fall.
 - d. Conservancy: John W reported that they did a burn last Fall and planted wildflowers last Saturday. John recently mowed the trail. There is discussion about buying additional land adjacent to the Tamarack Bay conservancy.
 - e. Treasurer Report: Ellen reported on this fiscal year (July 1 – June 30) finances:
 - At fiscal year beginning 7/19/15, the checking acct. balance was \$6,935.91.
RCU checking acct. balance as of 5/28/16: \$23,233.81
Expenses: \$13,624.45
Income: \$29,402.35
 - largest expenses are CBCW and annual meeting (~\$7,000 and ~\$2,000, respectively)
 - John B motioned to approve Treasurer report; Bud seconded; motion carried
 - f. Newsletter: discussion of who will contribute articles. Send newsletter materials to halfmoonlakeloonlines@gmail.com within the next week or so. Discussion: Ellen discussed about how advertising in the Loon Lines pays for the fireworks, which aren't really a district function. Harlen mentions possibility of a separate checking account for the fireworks fund. Costs are about \$3,500 for fireworks and \$300 for insurance. John W mentions possibility of setting up a

- LLC for the fireworks. Harlen will look into. Might also be able to transfer responsibility to Township, since they run the show. John W will put it on the agenda for the annual meeting.
- g. Fireworks: Ellen reported that fireworks are Saturday, July 2 with rain-date of Sunday, July 3. John W said we need to recruit volunteers for fireworks committee.
 - h. Lake maps: Arnie K has been working on it. Will hand out updated versions at annual picnic.
5. Old business:
- a. Annual meeting: meeting date is July 16.
 - Catering company: Gandy Diner (same as last year). Somebody needs to take care of the duties that Dan Leh typically does (clean tables, bring ice, etc.) because Dan won't be there this year. John W will have the boys take care of that.
 - Coolers, ice, pop, water: John W
 - Popcorn popper, popcorn, etc.: John W, John B, Bud
 - Speakers: Chris Shneider
 - Picking up food and setting up: John W typically does it; we should find somebody who typically isn't at the meeting. Maybe Charlie, maybe Sam Butler.
 - Tent rental: both tents are reserved.
 - Plan B for weather: Harlen will reserve Milltown fire hall
 - Speaker(s): possibly Jim Miller or Cheryl Clemens – Deer Lake conservancy guy/gal; Ellen will contact Cheryl. Looking for 15 minutes. Maybe an update on ticks and Lyme disease by Chuck
 - Signs: John W ordered some new signs.
 - Voting and ballot count:
 - b. Expiring board positions: John W's and John B's are expiring. Open to re-upping or recruiting new members. Maybe Arne K. Maybe Bob Kutchell.
 - c. Getting buoys placed: have 2 remaining buoys to place 200 feet from shore. We have chain and anchors. They need decals, which need to be put on 48 hours in advance. John W will place them next weekend, with Harlen's and/or Bud's help.
 - d. Lakes Conference: John has info; not much interest.
 - e. Who can vote at annual meeting? John found rules; he'll publish in Loon Lines letter.
6. Adjourn: motion to adjourn by Dave. Seconded by Harlen. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 2:30.