# Half Moon Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District Minutes - Annual Meeting - July 21, 2018

- 1. The meeting was called to order by John Weber at 10:09 a.m. John introduced the officers in attendance. They were John Weber- Chair, Ellen Butler- Treasurer, Bob Cutshall, and John Briegel- fishing. Bud Ericksen and David Balestri were unable to attend. John confirmed the posting of the 2017 annual meeting notices they were published in the Loon Lines, on the HML website and attached to today's meeting agenda, as well in the Polk County Ledger and 3 public postings.
- 2. A motion was made by Merv Christopherson to approve today's agenda. The motion was seconded and carried.
- 3. John then reviewed the voter eligibility rules.
- 4. New lake property owners then introduced themselves. They were:
  - a. Doris Morrison
  - b. Jennifer and Dave Loeffler
  - c. Steve Witt
  - d. Pat and Rita McKee
  - e. Tom Raische
- 5. Harlen Hegdal then spoke on behalf of Chris Nelson, Polk County Supervisor. There was nothing new to report from the county.
- 6. Kim Butler then spoke about her running for the local Wisconsin Assembly seat.
- 7. Jim Bieneke gave a brief presentation about invasive buckthorn that is present on the north side and east side of the lake. Kim Butler requested that Jim write a brief article about this matter and she will publish it in the Loon Lines.
- 8. Jeremy Williamson, a water quality specialist with Polk County Land and Water, summarized a study that showed the presence of invasive plants in the lake. Jeremy stated that he wasn't overly concerned about this and that the lake was "in good condition." Jeremy also mentioned that the County has been working with farmers regarding education about row crop chemical runoff into watershed areas. Half Moon Lake has one farmer that may be a candidate for this type of conversation. Jeremy announced that Polk County Land and Water will be having a seminar again this year, perhaps August for invasive training and education.
- Ballots were handed out for voting on two individuals who have been nominated to be board members; Bud Ericksen (continuing member) and Bob Cutshall (new member). Both were elected to three year terms on the board.
- 10. Ellen Butler gave the treasurer's report (which was included in the handout). Kim Butler made a motion to accept the report. The motion was seconded and the motion was carried.
- 11. Dan Leh gave the "Clean Boats and Clean Water" report.
  - a. We have paid individuals who regularly check boats going in and out of the lake at the main boat landing. We also have a 24 hour camera at the same location.
  - b. Dan summarized a study done on the lake that showed the presence of the following invasive plants; curly leaf pondweed, yellow iris and reed canary grass.

- c. The lake clarity reading "secchi" this year was 16', a level that has been more or less constant for the past 20 years.
- d. Eric Johnson stated that we need volunteers for invasive weed monitoring.
- e. We also need a resident volunteer to do a phosphorous study. Patrick Mckee was "volunteered" to help or do the the water quality sampling for the DNR, as they are now permanent residents of the District
- 12. There was a brief discussion about all of the debris generated from the 4th of July boat parade and ice fishing in the winter. It was requested to have the board review this situation and spend district funds, if necessary, to resolve the problem. A comment was made from the floor that per the sheriff, the water balloon fight on the lake will no longer be allowed.
- 13. Pat Mechelke gave the loon report.
  - a. Two pairs of loons on the lake. The north pair has 2 babies.
  - b. We need to replace the loon nesting platform. Doug Ebeling will do this.
- 14. John Briegel gave the fishing report.
  - a. Walleye fishing is improving.
  - b. About 5,000 walleye fingerlings are stocked every other odd year in the fall.
- 15. Harlen Hegdal gave the township report.
  - a. We need to repair or replace the boat landing ramp. Grant money may be available to pay for part of this.
  - b. There was a concern raised about significant amounts of high speed traffic (in a 35 mph zone) on County Road G on the north side of the lake. Harlen will look into this matter.
- 16. Kim Butler gave a brief report about the Loon Lines. She will continue to be the editor.
- 17. Joe Lonsky gave an update on the district's website (www.halfmoonlake.net).
- 18. Ellen Butler gave a brief report on the Half Moon Lake Conservancy.
  - a. The Conservancy currently owns two pieces of property; one on Harder Creek and the other along Tamarack Bay.
  - b. The Conservancy is currently looking at acquiring one additional piece of property near Tamarack Bay.
- 19. Pat McMahon gave a report on the 4th of July activities.
  - a. This year's events were very successful.
  - b. We are looking for a volunteer to run a 4th of July committee for next year. Sheila Waldoch will consider chairing next year's 4th of July events.
- 20. Alex Trapp gave a report on the Kids Water Ski event. This year's event will be held on August 4th, first Saturday in Aug. at 11:00 in Breezy Bay.
- 21. The 2019 budget was presented (same amounts as 2018). Dan Leh made a motion to approve the budget. It was seconded and the motion was carried.
- 22. Old business
  - a. We went through the process and secured the necessary permits to deal with the goose feces problem but didn't need to implement it because there have been very few geese on the lake this year.
  - b. There have been no changes in the shoreline zoning regulations this year.
- 23. There was an advisory vote to direct the board to deal with the yellow iris problem. ?? made a motion. It was seconded and the motion carried.

- 24. Melissa Lonsky suggested that we have a cabin tour/progressive dinner cruise on the lake. Anyone interested in this should notify Melissa on the HML website.
- 25. There was a motion to adjourn the meeting at noon. It was seconded and the motion carried.
- 26. The next annual meeting will be at 10:00 on Saturday, July 20, 2019.

# Notice 2018 Annual Meeting Half Moon Lake Protection & Rehabilitation District

Pursuant to Section 33.30(2) Wisconsin Statutes and the Bylaws of the Half Moon Lake Protection & Rehabilitation District, the annual meeting and budget hearing will be held at:

Place: Half Moon Lake public beach, (200th Ave) East of highway 46.

Time: Saturday, July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 at 10:00am (Sign in table begins at 9:00am)

#### Agenda

1. Call meeting to order

- 2. Approve minutes of last year's annual meeting
- 3. Chairperson and committee reports
- 4. Treasurer's report
- 5. Presentation and submission of the annual audit
- 6. Report on consideration of projects or other actions
- 7. Review and approval of proposed budget

January 1, 2019-December 31, 2019

#### Revenues

Tax Levy 29,225 Lottery Credit 309 Interest 87

Total Revenues

29,621

#### Cost of Operations

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Capital Fund-	10,000
Lake Management- CBCW beach monitoring	12,800
Info & Education- newsletter, annual meeting and lunch	6,421
Administration-	600

#### Total Expenditures

29,821

### Non-Lapsable Capital Fund

Balance on May 21, 2018 96,907.12

## Proposed 2019 Tax Levy

Operating Budget Tax Levy

29,821

- 8. Approval of corresponding tax levy-
- 9. Election of commissioner
- 10. Old business
- 11. New business
- 12. Adjourn meeting