

**Half Moon Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District
Fall Board Meeting - Meeting Minutes
September 5, 2020**

Bud Ericksen called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m. The meeting was held at Bud's lake cabin on Half Moon Lake.

Board Members present:

Bud Ericksen
Ellen Butler
Doug Ebeling
Jim Benike
Bob Cutshall

Board Members absent:

Mike Dau

- I. Approval of the meeting minutes from the Annual Meeting held on July 18, 2020
 - A. Jim Benike made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted
 - B. Bud Ericksen seconded the motion
 - C. The motion was unanimously approved
- II. Treasurer's report
 - A. Ellen Butler presented the Treasurer's report
 - B. Doug Ebeling made a motion to accept the report
 - C. Jim Benike seconded the motion
 - D. The motion was unanimously approved
- III. Loon Lines newsletter
 - A. Kim Butler is resigning as the editor after this fall's newsletter.
 - B. Ellen continues to look for a replacement. If one cannot be found, we may need to hire someone to do this. Ellen will pursue both options.
 - C. The board indicated that they would like to continue to publish this twice a year
- IV. Boat ramp repairs
 - A. No agreement has been reached yet with either the Township or the Village on how to split the costs of constructing a new boat ramp or whether a new ramp is even necessary. Bud will continue his discussions with them.
 - B. Bud floated the idea of the Village/Township deeding the boat ramp to the District and the District would then take over the maintenance and repair issues and costs. The plan would be for the District to charge a nominal fee to use the boat ramp.
 1. The preliminary response from the Township was that this was an idea worth considering. The preliminary response from the Village was "no."
 2. There is a concern by the board that charging to use the ramp might encourage people to use the other two public access points on the lake. That would create traffic and parking problems. We also have no one at these points to check the incoming boats for aquatic invasive species.
 - C. The deadline for submitting for a DNR grant to help pay for the new ramp is November 1st. Bud will continue to work with Ed Klein complete the grant application paperwork.

V. Invasive plants

- A. We got some of the yellow iris plants marked this year, but didn't get them sprayed in time. So we are delayed for another year.
- B. Jim Benike will work with John Weber so that we get this work done in 2021.
- C. Bud Ericksen made a motion to authorize Jim to spend up to \$4,000 to hire Northern Aquatics to work on this project. The work would involve marking yellow iris infestations and then treating them with a DNR approved pesticide. Bob Cutshall seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.
- D. We also discussed having Barr Engineering do another invasive plant survey in 2021. Jim will contact them and get a proposal from them to do this work.

VI. Boat cleaning station

- A. Doug Ebeling continues to have discussions with the equipment manufacturer. There may be a cost savings if we make a down payment on the equipment this year.
- B. Doug has also been talking to Polk County and the Wisconsin DNR about this.
- C. The grant submission deadline to the DNR is November 1st.
- D. Doug made a motion that he be authorized to spend up to \$1,000 for professional services to help complete the grant application paperwork. Jim Benike seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- E. A minor item that Bud will need to follow up on is to secure permission from the Village and Township to install the boat cleaning station on their property.

VII. CBCW

- A. The boat inspectors at the landing are scheduled to be done for the year on Labor Day.
- B. Ellen will contact John Weber about having them work weekends into the fall.

VIII. 4th of July celebration

- A. Lori Leh has agreed to work with Ellen on this for next year's celebration.
- B. The board felt that doing the fireworks the same day as Bone Lake would be best.

IX. Fishing

- A. Doug stated that there would be no stocking of walleyes this year. The DNR only does this every other year.

X. 2021 Board Meeting Schedule - (tentative)

- A. Spring - May 29
- B. Summer - June 26
- C. Annual meeting - July 17
- D. Fall - September 4

XI. Meeting adjourned

- A. Doug Ebeling made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:36 a.m.
- B. Jim Benike seconded the motion
- C. The motion passed unanimously

Submitted by,

Bob Cutshall
Secretary

**Half Moon Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District
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Finance Report

As of 9-4-2020

Royal Credit Union bank (RCU)

*RCU Bank checking account

Royal Advantage Plus ...5669 \$ 38,277.53

RCU Business 18 month Certificate

Maturity 9-30-20 (3.10%) ...6048 \$102,716.69

Business Money Market (.65%) \$ 10,122.35

...6311

Savings account ...7985 \$ 5.14

TOTAL \$ 151,121.71

*RCU Fireworks account

Royal Advantage checking ...7175 \$ 1,269.86

*3,000.00 loan from District for fireworks 3 years ago is paid off now.

Respectfully submitted by Ellen Butler, Treasurer