



BALSAM LAKE PROTECTION & REHABILITATION DISTRICT

Monthly Meeting Minutes May 19, 2018, 8:30 AM

Polk Business Center Meeting Room

**1) CALL TO ORDER:**

- Tom Kelly called the meeting to order at 8:29 AM

**2) COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:**

- Tom Kelly, Rod Preble, Steve Rediske, Ray Sloss, Dave Mariani (teleconference)

**3) OTHERS PRESENT:**

- Patty Kabus (recorder)

**4) APPROVE AGENDA:**

- Dave motioned to approve the agenda, Rod seconded, all approved. Motion carried.

**5) APPROVE MINUTES:**

- Rod motioned to approve the April Meeting Minutes, Dave seconded, all approved. Motion carried.

**6) PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

- Paul Duxbury – Request to post draft of minutes following meetings, then approved minutes once they are approved. Board discussed, cost is minimal, good suggestion, will implement in May.

**7) TREASURER REPORT AND PAY CLAIMS:**

- P&L, balance sheet and budget for April were reviewed by the board
- Noted that the handicap porta-potty is not at the main beach. Steve will call to find out why and to make sure we aren't charged for it. Will also verify the regular bathrooms are open 24 hours a day.
- Bills presented for payment.
- Rod motioned to approve April P&L, Balance Sheet and Budget and payment of bills, Steve seconded, all approved, motion carried.

## 8) Water Quality

- East Balsam Study / McGlynn
  - Discussion around budget in regards to alum treatment.
- Sedimentation - Dredging / Preble
  - Requested a quote for sedimentation project to improve phosphorous levels.
- Healthy Lakes Native Plantings / Kelly
  - We did get the grant for the 2018-2019 project, with 17 participants.
- Aquatic Plant Management
  - CLP treatment / Preble
    - Matt went out Thursday May 17, said we are 3-4 weeks behind in CLP growth. Almost no CLP and it's at 1-2 feet. Coontail is growing a lot. Suggested 10-15 acres in East Balsam at most to treat for CLP but possibly none – still to be determined. Harvester could be used to cut the areas on the south end of the lake so treatment would only be on the northern edge.
  - CBCW / Mork
    - 3 fishing tournaments so far, program is up and operating, all 4 landings covered
  - Harvester / Preble
    - Had truck serviced, running well, transmission is seeping, not a significant issue. Need to keep an eye on it. Harvester has been prepped. Building apron not done yet, need to get it done as soon as possible. Bought a gas powered pump to wash the harvester while in the lake.

## 9) OLD BUSINESS:

- PINE ISLAND BAY PROPERTIES - first step is to add the three properties to the Balsam Lake District is to vote to petition to add them to Lake District.
  - Had to resend the information on the property to Chris, he will take it from here
- Resident Geese
  - Very few eggs found. No nests at the sewer plant. 53 eggs behind the bank and treated. No nests on 4 of the islands. Overall, very few nests or eggs this year. Not sure if a round up will even be needed this year.
- 2019 Budget
  - Began work on 2019 budget development.

- Summer Dockside
  - Some articles have come in, others still coming in
  - Add 3 people from Dave – Ulbrich, Huss, Mariani as well as 3 people from DNR – Alex Smith, Bill James, Cheryl

**10) OTHER REPORTS:**

- Village / Rediske
  - Food truck approved again for 1 day a week
  - Signs will be posted to block access to the gravel pit
  - Used street sweeper has been purchased
  - New signs to not feed wildlife will be posted
  - New trail behind beach has been completed
  - New person has been hired for public works, is really interested and educated in environmental science
- County / Mariani
  - WITC is going to open up a satellite campus in Balsam Lake (in the government center)
  - Searching for a new county administrator
  - ATV's now allowed on any county roads, ordinance has passed
  - Pope county has been awarded a broadband certificate to extend broadband in other areas

**11) NEW BUSINESS:**

- None

**12) FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

- Budget

**13) ADJOURN:**

- Rod motioned to adjourn, Steve seconded, all approved, motion carried.