

Wixom Lake Improvement Board
Meeting Minutes
June 8, 2016
Billings Township Hall

Meeting called to order by Doug Enos – 6:00 pm

Board Members Present: Wilma Thurston , Larry Woodard, Dennis McBride, Doug Enos, Robert Evans, Ray Drumright, Robert Kelley, Jim Leigeb, Sandra Aultman

Board Members Absent: none

Others in Attendance: Paul Hausler from Progressive AE; Jim and Scott from PLM Lake and Land Management Corp

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes:

Board members reviewed minutes from the May 11, 2016 meeting

Motion to accept and file minutes by Jim Leigeb and seconded by Robert Evans.

Board members unanimously approved the motion. Motion carried.

Correspondence: None

Paul Hausler provided verbal comments about complete lake survey conducted Wednesday June 8. To more effectively identify treatment areas in main lake, new GPS waypoints have been added to the aquatic plant survey map in offshore locations. The large treatments on 5/18 and 5/23 were effective. Lake water temperature ranged between 67 and 70 F during the survey. Celery growth is very dependent on water temperature with rapid growth starting in low 70F range. There are a few new spots in main lake showing growth of milfoil, pondweed, and celery. Some of the canals need polishing treatment for algae. A complaint from around waypoint 553 was received and area treated. Milfoil growth between GPS waypoints 457-465 and 193-195 needs treatment. Plan is to treat newly identified spots week of 6/13.

Paul provided board with a packet of information that included:

- 1) maps showing areas treated on 5/18 and 5/23
- 2) proposal for annual budget for 2017-2020
- 3) project work journal to date for 2016
- 4) map of southern portion of Wixom lake with offshore GPS waypoints

There was discussion about the 2017-2020 annual budget and project proposal. Proposed annual budget of \$278,500 is larger than current assessments and will require either drawing down of contingency funds or raising assessments. Larry Woodard made a motion to accept the budget proposal and motion was seconded by Robert Kelley. Board members unanimously approved the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion on assessments, appropriate amount of contingency funds to hold, and how to fund lake treatments for 2017-2020 ensued. Bob Evans made a motion to keep assessments at current level and use accumulated contingency funds to make up for anticipated annual shortfalls over the years 2017-

2020. Motion was seconded by Jim Leigeb. Board members unanimously approved the motion. Motion carried.

There was also discussion about changing / adding categories to the descriptions of assessed parcels. A motion was made to alter the description of 'Commercial w/Boat Slip Rental (11-50 slips)' to 'Commercial w/Boat Slip Rental (11 or more slips)' by Bob Evans. The motion was seconded by Dennis McBride. Board members unanimously approved the motion. Motion carried.

Beaverton high school will not be available for public hearing on July 23rd (alternate date July 30th) on the 2017-2020 budget proposal due to work on gymnasium floor. An alternate location is being sought by Bob Evans and he expects to have an answer during the week of 6/13. Notices must be published 20 days in advance and mailed 10 days in advance of hearing date. Since the July board meeting (July 13th) will be within the 20 day window for the hearing, Bob will set-up the meeting, arrange for public announcement, and notify board by email.

There was no financial statement update. Doug Enos shared that he signed an authorization to transfer \$34,221.49 to the WLIB account which is from assessments collected by Midland County for the current tax year.

Paul Hausler from Progressive AE indicated that he had an invoice for \$90,865.19 from PLM Lake and Land Management Corp for treatments on 5/18 and 5/23. Paul did not receive invoice in time to provide copies to the board but asserted that the treatments were effective and payment is appropriate. Jim Leigeb made a motion to pre-approve payment of invoice so that once it is formally received by the board treasurer it can be paid and not delayed until after the July board meeting. Robert Kelley seconded the motion. Board members unanimously approved the motion. Motion carried.

No public comment

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Robert Kelley, seconded by Wilma Thurston. Board members unanimously approved the motion. Motion carried. 7:05 pm.

Next meeting
Wednesday July 13th, 2016 at 6 pm
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Minutes submitted by Ray Drumright