

Lower Turtle Lake Management District

April 27, 2019 meeting minutes

Present: Steve Miller, Steve Stiles, Mary Jo Bonner, Hoyt Rose, Jim Gores & Sandra Scheps.

Absent: Gary Warner

18 land owners present.

Steve Miller declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 8:02 A.M.

Steve M. welcomed Hoyt Rose to the meeting. He is the new township representative.

Steve asked for approval of the October 13, 2018 meeting minutes as posted on the website, motion was made, second and approved.

Treasurer's report was read by Steve M. April 27, 2019 checking account balance was \$22,065.12. Total assets \$61,655.97. Motion to accept treasures report as read, 2<sup>nd</sup> and approved.

Dave Blumer gave an update on the grant. Part of the management program is to map Curly Leaf Pond weed every year. We can do this with volunteers in May or early June. It will take 3 to 4 hours 1 time during the season, about the same time each year and someone with a boat or pontoon. There would be a training time set up with volunteers. Sue R. said, if we don't get volunteers we would have to hire it done. Steve M. asked for volunteers. Deb & Ray Spring, Sue and Dean Rheingans, Jerry Dietzman and Steve Miller volunteered. A motion was made to have volunteers learn to map the lake for CLP, second and approved.

Continue the clean boats clean waters monitoring at the boat landings with volunteers or hiring. Steve feels we should get volunteers. Some discussion took place. A motion to hire someone for 100 hours for the CBCW was second and approved. We still need volunteers for this.

The shoreline assessment scoring on each property owners land has been completed. It was discussed on how to present this to the land owners. A station could be set up at the June meeting for people to see how their property scored. The shoreline restoration committee will mail the owners their page from the book with a cover letter. There are resources available for property owners to work on their shoreline/property and get some reimbursement of costs. There could be a Healthy Lakes Grant available to help with improvements or the LTLMD has a shoreline program available to help land owners make improvements.

Dave B. said the Healthy Lakes are due in Feb. and you have 2 years to complete. Steve thanked Dave for his report.

Sue R. reported the shoreline restoration will have more news after the June meeting. Sue R., Deb S. and Gary W. will work on a cover letter for the property owners when they receive their Shoreline Assessment score on their property.

Sue Rheingans then gave an update on water testing of the past summer and she reported that the phosphorus in Sept. showed an increase.

The welcome letter is done and on the website. If you have new neighbors print the letter and welcome them to the lake.

The signs that Gary W. and the Turtle Lake School students have been doing should be completed soon. There will be added information on Invasive species along with a sign that calls out the Buffer strip partnership.

Motion to pay Dale Scheps \$250.00 for the buffer they have voluntarily put in on 12 ½ Ave. second and approved.

There is a volunteer sign-up sheet for the Clean Boats Clean Waters at either boat landing or you can just show up and put in an hour or 2.

Hoyt and Steve M. will make sure the township landfill is open on second Saturday of each month thru October from 10 AM to 5 PM for brush, grass clippings, etc.

During the open forum Mary Jo thought of possibly getting a committee together to look at the industrial waste spreading. Jim Gores said he will bring it up at the Soil Conservation meeting about the winter spreading from cheese plants in the area. Jim will report in June.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 AM, second and approved. The next meeting is June 8, 2019

Respectfully submitted by Sandra Scheps, Secretary