

ELIA Board meeting minutes October 31

Call to order John Schott at 8:30 AM

Present: John Schott, Jake Gerend, Rob Sellinger, Mark Hollick , Sue Staum, Bill Easom, Randy Boeldt, Tom Nelson, Nancy Hanlon, Henry Jung

Approval of minutes from last meeting after corrections to the treasurer report

- Total on hand in Western Union Corporate bond \$20,000
- Boating patrolling largest expense at \$3,450

Motion to approve minutes Tom Nelson

Seconded by Randy Boeldt

Treasurer Report Henry Jung

- Checking \$13,689.44
- Lake management \$1,459.92

Motion to approve Randy Boeldt

Seconded Mark Hollick

Weed Report Nancy Hanlon

Brian came up in early September and checked out the entire lake. He determined that the patch of EWM in the boat landing bay was too deep for a treatment to be effective at that time. It will be needed in the spring. There will also be a need to treat curly leaf pondweed. He felt that the treatment this summer was effective in cutting back the growth of the EWM in Neuses Bay and Sheboygan Bay. He was also impressed that native northern water milfoil was taking a strong hold in the lake. This will help to keep EWM from spreading.

He had no easy answer for the algae island that reappears in Sheboygan Bay. He thought that perhaps something coming up with the spring water was feeding the algae. It seems that removal by hand is going to be an ongoing effort for the residents of the area. It has been effective for controlling it.

New invasive in Southern Wisconsin - Starry stonewort has been identified in lakes in West Bend and Milwaukee area. It is a plant-like algae and similar in appearance to chara which we already have in EL. It is abundant in Turtle Bay. We

will watch for workshops this winter on identifying it and how to combat it. Right now there is no approved herbicide that is effective.

Grant for Boat landing inspector – The grant is being completed and turned in to the DNR by the end of November.

Hours worked 91 @\$12/hour = \$1,092

Our responsibility should be \$273 or 25% of the total expense with the DNR covering 75% of the expense

The data is entered in SWIMS although I did not find it to be user friendly.

The board approved Nancy applying for another clean boat/clean water grant for the summer of 2016.

Buoys

The buoys were removed 3rd week in Sept. Rob prefers 1st week in Oct.

Removal process was slick and they are stored at Camp Brosius.

5 damaged buoys will need to be replaced.

ELIA pays 1/6 of the price as State pays 1/2 and the other half is split 3 ways by the Village, the Town and ELIA. This is a great savings since Randy got the Village and Town involved in the expense.

Membership

Our present membership list is 182 and we have 161 paid. Sue Staum sent 29 letters to unpaid members and received 11 more payments. There are a few that will be personally contacted. We will receive a current membership list. We are encouraged to add names of people that might be encouraged to join. They will receive letters next spring.

Waibel Creek

The proposal from the county has been stalled by the Chapel property. The original proposal was to locate the proposed filter bed on Chappel's property, north of Cty A. There are a number of other elements in the proposal that would continue to be moved forward but the siting the filtration bed now needs to be assessed based on siting this feature on the south side of Cty A.

New business

Rezoning – There is a property owner in the Sharps Resort that is requesting the village to rezone his property to R2 so he may include an apartment in his new house. ELIA is not in favor of this change but will not take a stand at this time. Sharps and the Sheboygan Bay property owners have spoken against this change. They are the stake holders in this discussion. The request has been refused but the owner is requesting a public hearing and another vote. You will receive an email when the public hearing is set. You may want to let your representatives on the board of trustees know what your opinion is on this matter.

ELIA - is not involved in the lake path discussion. John Schott has been involved solely as a lake property owner.

Businesses as members- Mark Hollick will approach local businesses in the spring with a pitch to show them the advantages of becoming a member of ELIA.

Meeting Adjourned

Motion by Tom Nelson

Seconded by Jake Gerend

Meeting adjourned at 9:45