

Portage Crooked Lake Improvement Association Special Board Meeting Minutes

7/26/2022

The purpose of the PCLIA is to preserve and improve the condition and quality of our lakes and the surrounding area. We strive to create a spirit of cooperation with all property owners on the chain of lakes.

Background for Meeting: From President Scott Maghan via email to the Board: *We had PLM Lake and Land Management perform an assessment of the milfoil we found and prepare a treatment program. I'm writing to you because the amount exceeds our budgeted amount of \$5,000 for AIS treatment. The estimate is \$12,717 plus a \$600 assessment fee. We will recoup \$2,500 of this from a grant through Crow Wing county. However, we also found more milfoil by the island after the assessment was done. At this time I don't know what the amount is to assess and treat the area by the island, but anticipate it could be in the \$4,000 range. This will require a budget of over \$15,000 which we must vote on.*

A five day written notice was given to the membership via email on 7/20/2022.

Attending via Zoom: Scott Maghan, Julie Maghan, Andy Larson, Joy Larson, Tom Kaufhold, , Kris Picken, Diane Lund, Lynn Bremer, Mike Stuber, Ken Stebbins, Patricia Stasney, Maureen Donovan, Tim Kensok, Rick Vaughan, Mary Phillippi, Rita Larson, Ann Tubbs, Jill Mertens, Linda Mlnarek, Steve Schmitz Don and Marge Hartung Ralph Maegi, Jean Anderson

Called to Order: Meeting called to order by President Scott Maghan at 5:00 pm. Quorum present.

Received an estimate for procellacor treatment for \$12,717.00 to treat patches found. Since estimate was received found additional patches by Crooked Lake Island and in Hanks Lake in front of the Seeler gues cabin. Tim Plude of the DNR will be here to assess additional areas and ability to treat with procellacor.

President Maghan asked whether we wish to increase our budget from \$5,000 to a larger amount to treat these sites?

Kris Picken asked what the additional patches would cost? Maghan estimated \$4,000. The association currently has fund of approximately \$50,000. We are also eligible for \$2,500 grant from Crow Wing County to recoup some of the costs.

Andy Larson moved, seconded by Mike Stuber authorize budget increase of \$20,000.00 to treat Eurasian Water Milfoil.

Discussion followed: Treatment may have to be done in two different stages. Have to wait for lily pads to die before treating in Crooked Lake, due to DNR restrictions. Other patches could be done sooner, depending on PLM schedule. May have to look at fund raising to continually treat. Bay Lake chooses different sections of the lake and treats with 24D to manage it. Will not kill it but make it manageable. Bay Lake uses 24D which is not as effective. Bay lake treats 7-9 acres a year.

Kris Picken informed that there are 400 lakes in CWC with Only 17 with milfoil. It is an option not to treat milfoil. According to Tim Plude you get a rapid increase in the growth over 5 years and then plateaus. Treating lakes may cause an aggressive increase initially.

Manually picking the weeds is too time intensive. Remove any floating weeds you see and put on dry land. Do not rake beaches where infestation happens.

Joy Larson moved to call the question. Stuber seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Andy Larson moved, seconded by Mike Stuber on original motion to increase AIS budget to \$20,000. Motion carried unanimously

Kris Picken motioned to adjourn at 5:22. Seconded by Tom Kaufhold. Motion carried.

Submitted by Joy Larson, Secretary