

**Approved on 2/21/22**  
**Hayden Lake Watershed Improvement District Board Meeting**  
**Monday, January 24, 2022, 7:00-9:00 PM**

Via Zoom:

<https://rebrand.ly/zoom-5d0c9>

**Meeting ID: 828 0291 0437**

**Password: 412640**



**To-Do**

- TW - assess additional sizes and quantities to be reprinted for the 2/21 meeting.
- TW - check if there is prosecution - on any of the past property issues.
- MAS - develop CdA Press article and distribute poster re Honey Badger Project
- MAS - draft Syringa and Thistle pages under HLWID site
- SM - talk to Berry McHugh, KC legal counsel, regarding KC pursuit of litigation re compliance with county ordinance
- KR and SM will meet w M Ahmer regarding buoy permitting protocol and legal support for direct permitting to HLWID
- MAS - document project prioritization and send to the board - DONE

These items are documented as ongoing strategies in support of future discussions and will not be tracked as to-do items:


- MAS - continue research to support potential projects: monitor lake inflows; Sheriff's boat; well monitoring; HL bathymetry;
- KR - continue research to support the potential project: lake carrying capacity
- GH - continue to monitor agency involvement in FSR437 remediation and elevate potential projects when timing and need permit

**Call to Order:** 7:00 p.m.

**Attendees:** Kristine Regel (KR), HLWID Treasurer; Steve Meyer (SM), HLWID Board President; Todd Walker (TW), Hayden Lake Lake Manager; Geoff Harvey (GH), HLWA President; Jan Wilkins (JW), HLWA; Mary Ann Stoll (MAS), HLWID Communication and Public Outreach Manager

**Conflicts of interest:** none

**Review/Approve Meeting Minutes** from Oct 18, 2021 – **approved as is**

 Draft Minutes October 18, 2021 HLWID Board Meeting

**Opportunity for Public Input:**

- City of Hayden's potential plan to reconfigure Honeysuckle boat launch
  - HLWID perspective - We recognize that the City of Hayden's objective is not to increase boater usage capacity; their objective is to reduce conflicts between boaters and beachgoers, which are escalating due to area growth leading to increased use of the Honeysuckle area by both pedestrians and boaters. The city is cognizant of the issues, concerns, and hazards associated with their proposed solution - building a boat launch adjacent to the spillway on the south end of the dike. They understand there is significant work involved in addressing each of them properly. The project has a 3-5 year completion horizon.
  - Issues of concern both in favor of and opposed to the proposal: traffic flow and traffic build-up; traffic impact on neighborhood safety; access to personal property; boater vs beach-goer interaction; safety concerns related to crowding; parking capacity vs need; impact on fishery; dredging vs. lake/aquifer interface; impact on no-wake-zone; flood

drainage/flood capacity; impact on or interaction with adjacent land conservancy; opportunity cost vs demand/need; safety; enforcement; adequate analyses - geotech, environmental impact, traffic;

- HLWA perspective - while acknowledging the conflict associated with the current configuration, the Association is concerned that adequate analysis will be undertaken to avoid unintended consequences or comprehend the true impact of implementation


### Treasurer's Report

- Review of Financial Reports from Oct-Dec - **KR moves to approve Nov and Dec reports; SM 2nd; all approve**

### Lake Manager's Report

- Oct-Jan activities, issues
  - From 10/18/21 - TW - recheck the lazy buoy at English Point - postponed until spring
  - From 10/18/21 - TW - install lake signs when they arrive; six signs total - pending
    - Hayden Marina - never put up the old ones; are interested; will resolve size and outdoor installation in the spring; will install smaller versions inside. They may use one HLWA's "make your wake" banner as well.
    - Sportsmans - F&G is debating installing a larger sign; the size and location of the existing sign is not visible.
    - Honeysuckle - sign is up;
    - Country Club - will install one;
    - The Falls - the original sign was not installed
    - TW to assess additional sizes and quantities to be reprinted.
  - From 9/20/21 - TW - Hire a diving company to cut off the log adjacent to the Gonzaga property shoreline significantly below the surface - DONE
    - GetWet Cost quoted = \$750.00 - action item - **approved via email in Dec; confirmed today**
    - Log cut near the lake bottom and tied to the shoreline for spring removal by HLWID.
    - HLWID will take responsibility for hauling to the spring debris collection site
- Construction update
  - From 9/20/21 - TW - check W Slope O'Rourke construction submitted plans for soil analysis and adequate erosion management plan. TW - the property sold to a new person who has not contacted the county. - delete
  - TW continues working with Craig Davis on county report re non-permitted construction.
  - D Calahan has permission from Commissioners to pursue litigation w/o commissioner intervention.
  - TW - check if there is prosecution - on any of the past property issues.

### Communication & Public Outreach Manager's Report

- Project updates:
  - Honey Badger Community Awareness - When should posters be put up (City Hall, Library) and an article be published?
    - Honey Badger Project Update - Forest Service (FS) will sign a decision notice regarding the HBP vegetation management which does not address HLWA concerns for FSR437 and Hayden Creek. These will be addressed via a separate process.
    - MAS - move forward with poster and article now, to include the FSR437 environmental impacts and remediation efforts. Objective: inform the public and manage expectations.
  - Syringa & Thistles -  Syringa & Thistles - How connected should S&T be to haydenlakewid.com?

- S&T to be sub-page within HLWID site
  - Focus is on site-disturbance practices - beneficial or detrimental; no owner or contractor names or other personally identifiable information
  - Goal is education regarding “best practices” vs “poor” practices
- Communication campaigns - Since October meeting, Oct 21, Nov 5; response rate above 40%
- Other activities
  - From 10/18/21 - MAS - send LN mailing address to all - DONE
  - From 10/18/21 - MAS - forward C. Richards’ letter to attendees - DONE
  - From 10/18/21 - MAS - send link to Annual Sinking of the Lake BLOG post to attendees - DONE
  - From 10/18/21 - MAS - communicate w S Hathaway/HLWA that a new buoy at Mivoden will not be proposed - DONE
  - Significant research regarding water rights and lake level since October.

#### HLWA Updates:

- Legal fund dedicated to code enforcement on HL. Proposal has been withdrawn. - J Wilkins
- From 9/20/21 - GH - find the cost of fish-friendly culvert installation - oversize the culvert with gravel in the bottom, sized based on low water - done
- Yellowbanks restoration - assessment complete; property owner notified but no response. Project is in BLM hands.

#### Old Business:

- How to address lack of enforcement on County’s part?
  - In spite of KC Enforcement efforts, environmentally damaging construction continues around the lake without builder/owner compliance or consequences
  - SM - talk to Berry McHugh, KC legal counsel, regarding KC pursuit of litigation re compliance with county ordinance
  - Pending KC legal’s response, may reconsider a letter to commissioners
- Honeysuckle Buoys
  - From 7/19/21 - SM - attach buoy schematic to MOU for buoy installation amendment; return to N Snyder, KC Parks & Rec. - resend with new map - DONE
  - From 9/20/21 - SM - check documentation, verify BOCC’s or Sheriff’s request for 3 vs 5 Honeysuckle Bay buoys. - Confirmed 3 buoys. - DONE
- New Buoys Proposal [Hayden Lake - Map of new buoy locations](#); [New Buoy Justifications](#)
  - From 9/20/21 - SM, LN - meet with Mike Ahmer (IDL) regarding proposed new buoy locations and HLWID permitting w/o BOCC involvement - transferred to KR, SM
  - Individual feedback from County Commissioners does not support a change in permitting protocol
  - KR and SM will meet w M Ahmer regarding buoy permitting protocol and legal support for direct permitting to HLWID
- Special Projects planning meeting Jan 24, 2022
  - From 10/18/21 - GH - send FSR 437 restoration plan to board - DONE
  - From 10/18/21 - ALL - draft proposed project descriptions using template (form) from MAS via [Project List, Form Link, Completed Descriptions](#) - board prioritized projects without complete descriptions - delete
  - MAS - document project prioritization and send to the board
  - Prioritized projects:
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**New Business:**

- Complying with ID Open Meetings Law - location, board attendance, logistics (wifi, presentation equipment), safeguards (restricted audience, masking, distancing, etc.) - discussed OML and decided the procedure is not safe and to continue meeting virtually.
- Appoint replacement for Leo Notar. Review election timeline and protocol - collect names; revisit next meeting.

**Next meeting:** February 21, 2022, 7:00 p.m. KR 1st, SM 2nd;

**Adjourn:** 10:22