

Minutes
Hayden Lake Watershed Improvement District Board Meeting
Thursday, May 23, 2019 6:30 PM
Hayden Lake City Hall 9393 Strahorn Road Hayden Lake

To-do items from 5/23 meeting:

- Lake Management – check out 2 sites of concern where construction may impact lake water quality
- Merlin – input on buoys?
- Leo – buoy shepherd, get an anchor design in place
- Geoff Harvey - put the approved draft budget into the press;
- Stephanie – put stuff in the package re moving our money to state accounts

In attendance:

Geoff Harvey (GH) – out-going board member; Leo Notar (LN) – in-coming board member; Corey Koerner (CK) – Hayden Lake Assistant Lake Manage; Mary Ann Stoll (MAS) – Communication & Public Outreach; Pat Lund (PL)– board member; Steve Meyer (SM), board member, chair; John Rupert (JR) - citizen

Call to Order 6:30 PM

Additions to the Agenda - none

Approval of Meeting Minutes of April 17, 2018 Board Meeting:

Moved to approve: PL; second: LN; approved.

Opportunity for Public Input:

John Rupert – N end Hayden – asks that all burning within the HLW be barred, minus recreational fire pits. Argument: cites family sickness and restricted activity due to smoke; has confirmation from former lands person that smoke comes into the north end and stays; contends that fire residue in the lake degrades the quality of the water and prompts Milfoil growth; claims authority due to experience changing out wood stoves. Evidence: the year after the prescribed burn in Mokins, the lake turned grey. Proposed solution: by regulation, prohibit burning unless the moisture content of the wood is below 20%; chipping is the option.

Feedback from SM – the District has no regulatory authority therefore cannot pursue JR’s objective; shared the District’s work with the county wrt buoys on the lake; reflected that while air quality is not on the District’s agenda, perhaps it should be; reminded all that the District is cautious about working to influence political issues.

GH – suggested that the smoke is not coming specifically from the burning in the watershed, but from region-wide fires; consulted w JR post meeting wrt relationship between air quality and water quality.

Treasure’s Report

- Review of April Financial Reports –

- Approval of outstanding billings: Public Comm. & Outreach (\$2920.80); Practical Accounting (\$87.50), SVL (X9D0197, X9D0308, X9D0529: \$330.00), USPS (\$80.00)

Move to approve: LN; second: PL; approved.

Lake Manager's Report - CK reported for Hayden Lake Lake Managers in Todd's place;

- Buoy installation project
 - Lake Manager, Sheriff, and rep from Mark's Marine identified 14 locations for buoy placement on the lake that would be instructive of the 200-ft no-wake regulation;
 - Merlin T (Mark's Marine) will distribute the GPS coordinates;
 - GH – buoy anchoring with eco-blocks and chain may increase costs
 - Sheriff asks for a certified navigation person to install
 - Proposed buoy placement: outcropping Windy Point, Chicken Point, Ross Point, every major outcropping, no further north than Henry's Point; 3 spots around English Point; one on the far end of Stoneridge; one by Bervins
 - These are "optimum" positions, more than the district is liable to afford
- Lake monitoring – BG monitoring on North Arm samples collected 3 times; added the mid-lake station, depth of 20 m; the Manta is working well.
- South shore monitoring is suspended; CK is working on compiling south shore data
- Dock collection – only one dock there now; probably a legacy from last year
- Construction concerns
 - E HL road, building underway at Hayden Haven well within the lake protection zone; just beyond Mile Post 6, seen from the road toward Orvis Road, silt fences are down; Lake Managers will investigate
 - Others?

Communication & Public Outreach Manager's Report

- Web site improvements – added reference/resource block to posts/pages; continue to work on SEO and "related" content connections; published 1 new page and 4 new posts plus FB posts (see May 19 CPO report)
- Other activities – 1 campaign email opened by 49% of distribution list; working with Jan W from Association on public education re buoy project

Old Business

- Draft Memorandum of Agreement: District and Kootenai County on navigational buoy permitting, placement and maintenance.
 - The county changed the language of the MOU. Per discussion, the District will accept the new language and employ vigilance wrt spending approvals to ensure its objectives for the project are met.
 - SM - Buoys and weed removal in the north channel are a separate project, not included in this MOU;
 - GH – the association agrees that this project addresses the main lake only, the north arm will be a separate project.
 - The MOU will be on the commissioner's agenda Tues 5/28; approval is expected.
 - If county confirms, what are the next steps?

- Apply to IDL (County Waterways) for buoy permits. Once permitted, Nick Snyder will oversee the contractor that the District hires
- Detail costs and negotiate the # buoys to fit within the District's budget
- Send email campaign (HLWID/HLWAI) to announce what's been done
 - reiterate the problem rather than announcing the solution
 - include a map of the approximate locations of the buoys
- Sheriff will decide where they will go in coordination w district
- Order buoys (HLWID); make sure they are marked with District insignia st sheriff's patrol can identify which are official (those with our stamp) and which are not.
 - PL – can we think about paying for some before the end of June to avoid the 100K audit?
 - GH – permit all 14 sites but pick and choose which to populate

Moved to approve all 14 buoy sites and request that they all be permitted: PL; second: LN; approved with discussion.

- JR (citizen)– expressed concern, wanting to prioritize heavy usage and safety locations
- SM – responding to JR's concern; we are trying to maneuver a proposal through the CCs based upon the concern that wake boats erode the shore and liberate phos thus degrading the water quality; safety is the sheriff's jurisdiction; we are at a point where the commissioners have endorsed this work

Appoint new directors from the election:

- Leo Notar, Pat Lund, Steve Meyer
- New four-year terms start 5/23/2019

Moved to accept/ adopt the new directors: PL; second SM; approved.

New Business

- Set draft FY2020 Budget (Action item)
 - Two new items – weed skimming, buoy acquisition and placement
 - Take from project planning, more for buoys, also may be able to take more from dock and debris
 - Next month – accrue buoy expense in this year
 - Merlin – input on buoys?
 - Leo – buoy shepherd, to get an anchor design in place

PROPOSED EXPEDITURES			
	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020
	BUDGETED	BUDGETED	PROPOSED
Administration	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$6,000
Lake Management	\$40,000	\$31,000	\$31,000
Lake&Surface Runoff Monitoring	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$15,000
Dock Removal	\$7,000	\$10,000	\$5,000
Project Planning	\$20,000	\$15,000	0
Communications & Outreach	\$15,000	\$31,000	\$31,000
Community Mini-grants & Landowner Incentives	\$15,000	\$10,000	\$5,000
Buoy Acquisition & Placement	0	0	\$25,000
Aquatic Weed Skim/Harvest	0	0	\$7,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$125,000</u>	<u>\$125,000</u>	<u>\$125,000</u>
ESTIMATED REVENUES			
The estimated Revenues for the Hayden Lake Watershed Improvement District for the fiscal period October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2019 is as follow:			
	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020
	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	PROPOSED
Property Tax	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000
TOTAL REVENUE	<u>\$125,000</u>	<u>\$125,000</u>	<u>\$125,000</u>

Moved to approve draft budget: LN; second: PL; approved.

- Advertise budget hearing meeting – GH will put this budget into the press; next meeting will be budget hearing, June 17
- Set next Board meeting date: June 17
- Appointed Officers:
 - Chair: Steve Meyer
 - Treasurer: Leo Notar

Moved to appoint board member roles as nominated: PL; second: LN; approved.

- Stephanie – put stuff in the package re moving our money to state accounts

Adjourn:

Move to adjourn: PL; second: LN; approved.