

**Approved Minutes - Approved 09/20/21**  
**Hayden Lake Watershed Improvement District Board Meeting**  
**Monday, August 16, 2021 7:00-9:00 PM**

Via Zoom:

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

Meeting ID: 828 0291 0437

Password: 412640



**To-Do Items from this meeting:**


- From 7/19/21 - TW - determine who the contractor is for the O'Rourke unpermitted construction - DONE
- TW - create an invoice for the broken Honeysuckle Bay buoy; LN send buoy costs to Todd
- MAS - draft an Orchids/Onions layout for review - DONE
- SM - send construction photos for Orchids/Onions consideration - DONE
- From 7/19/21 - ALL - post a wake impact report at <https://haydenlakewatershedassociation.com/boat-wake-complaint-registry-form/>; provide feedback regarding ease of use and relationship between data collected and new buoy placement criteria
- MAS - send map of Honeysuckle Bay with buoys to SM - DONE
- ALL - read K Kling's analysis of the law regarding buoy permitting and send comments
- LN, GH - identify the owner of the property above Yellow Banks Creek - DONE
- TW volunteered to recommend locations

**Call to Order:**7:06

**Attendees:** Steve Meyer (SM) - Board President; Kristine Bartz (KB) - Board Member; Leo Notar (LN) - Board Treasurer; Mary Ann Stoll (MAS) - Communication and Public Outreach manager, Geoff Harvey (GH) - Hayden Lake Watershed Association President; Todd Walker (TW) - Hayden Lake Lake Manager;

**Conflicts of interest:** none

**Review/Approve Meeting Minutes** from July 19, 2021

 Minutes July 19, 2021 HLWID Board Meeting - SM declared approved as written

**Opportunity for Public Input:** none

**Treasurer's Report**

- Review of July's Financial Reports - LN moves to pay payables; KB 2nds; all approved

Payee	Invoice	Function	Amount
Mary Ann Stoll	July 2021	Communciations	\$ 2,968.93
Watershed Management	July 2021	Watermaster	\$ 5,000.00
Practical Accounting Solutions	July 2021	Accounting	\$ 164.50
CDA Press	MC-750994-07312021	Budget Hearing FY21-22	\$ 162.40
AM Test, Inc.	121852, 122075, & 122438	Test	\$ 890.00

TOTAL INVOICES FOR APPROVAL: \$ 9,185.83

- Test results from AM Test - testing of 2 bays and mid-lake will run through Oct with associated billing.

**Lake Manager's Report**

- July - Aug issues:

- A Honeysuckle Bay buoy was damaged by a boater - TW will create an invoice to be sent to the rental owner.
- Low lake level resulting in difficult boat launching everywhere except Honeysuckle.
- Construction update
  - From 7/19/21 - TW - determine who the contractor is for the O'Rourke unpermitted construction.
  - Hosted MAS, Craig and George from KC Enforcement to observe construction.
  - O'Rourke Bay - Craig has red-tagged the site Steve called attention to.
  - Back of Windy Bay - construction halted on lot, drain field for septic not possible, site for sale again.
  - South of Moviden, Preston Bay - on the beach, owner installing vertical posts below the high-water mark; M Ahmer (IDL) will check it out; ;

### **Communication & Public Outreach Manager's Report**

- From 7/19/21 - MAS - physically post meeting notice at HL Library - done
- Project updates:
  - Honey Badger Community Awareness
    - From 6/21/21 - MAS - poster of Honey Badger cut plans in the lobby of the country club and revise BLOG post - see mock-up - done
  - FSR 437 Video
    - From 7/19/21 - send outline of FSR437 Video and estimate of cost - done
  - From 7/19/21 - MAS - poster of unpermitted construction on O'Rourke for Association Annual meeting - not done
- Promote Wake Reporting
  - From 7/19/21 - ALL - post a wake impact report at <https://haydenlakewatershedassociation.com/boat-wake-complaint-registry-form/>; provide feedback regarding ease of use and relationship between data collected and new buoy placement criteria - LN looked at it; GH and KB submitted posts
  - Recommendations - change "bow number" field to "identifying characteristics";
  - Outreach plan - send postcard with QR code linking to the reporting form
  - Reporting may be low due to low lake level thus less boating activity
- Communication campaigns - good responses from 2 campaigns with new sign-ons to dist list.
- Case-study
  - Syringa & Thistles (Orchids & Onions) - draft a layout testing the use of owner names, contractor names, property address, and/or mapped location.
  - County's response to K Kling's letter regarding legal authority of the County to enforce property laws - D Callahan understands the law and supports pursuing it, but BOCC has counseled Callahan not to proactively seek enforcement issues
  - If I remember correctly, Merlin & Karen Thykeson went through the permitting process to reinforce their shore. I think maybe they had to plant a willow at shoreline, too, for fish habitat.

### **HLWA Updates:**

- GH has requested chlorophyll data, to assess lake productivity, from Stephanie who receives the SVL results via USPS.
- Public Education plan - continue distributing cards at boat dock (Labor Day); send cards re wake reporting
- Successful fund-raising event via HL Yacht Club brought in many new members and significant contributions
- Honey Badger(HBP) - Forest Service (FS) response to HLWA's comments = the the Cabin Bottom project had addressed FSR208 (Ohio Match Rd fills); and FSR437 concerns (sedimentation from Upper Hayden Creek Rd) are passed to ID Panhandle Nat. Forest for prioritization. HBP has been

pared down to two trails to be installed by trail orgs and vegetation management. HLWA anticipates objecting to the plan based on inadequate plan of action for FSR437 and FSR208, offering to collaborate on repairing the situations if the FS will identify a timeline.

**Old Business:**

- From 7/19/21 - SM - attach buoy schematic to MOU for buoy installation amendment; return to N Snyder, KC Parks & Rec. - done, needs to be resent with an amended map.
- Future Buoy Permitting and Installation
  - Feedback from K Kling regarding HLWID role in buoy permitting per Idaho law: the HLWID qualifies to receive the permits directly; Kootenai County does not have direct or exclusive authority to engage in buoy permitting; the Sheriff has no responsibility per the law to identify buoy locations. Next: discussion w Mike Ahmer explaining why HLWID should be permittee, then go to BOCC.
  - Process for determining new buoy locations - continue discussion from 6/21
    - How will this summer's experience fold into criteria for new buoy placement? Absent feedback from boating public, TW volunteered to recommend locations; merlin's original map offers suggestions;
    - What information from wake incident reporting will inform decision-making re new buoy placement?
- Special Projects planning - set date and process for criteria and priority-setting workshop
  - Potential projects - FSR437 road relocation and more buoys, culverts, Yellow Banks creek restoration.
  - Is it the role of the HLWID to engage in creek restoration? The HLWID is concerned with the whole watershed. Creek restoration should improve fishery of the lake.

**New Business: none**

**Next meeting:** Sept 20, 2021

**Adjourn:** 8:29