

Approved Minutes 10/17/22
Hayden Lake Watershed Improvement District Board Meeting
Monday, Sept 12, 2022, 6:00-8:00 PM
Via Zoom:

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

Meeting ID: 828 0291 0437

Password: 412640

Todo


- SM - SM-identify best legal counsel to provide support to the KC enforcement sub-committee
- MAS - assemble a database of code violations, photos, narratives, and dates
- JW - check which violations have been referred to the prosecutor's office
- HLWA - form sub-committee re KC enforcement of SMA and construction/erosion ordinance
- SM - have conversations with the new commissioner(s) and share HLWID/HLWA concerns, giving the opportunity to respond, possibly in favor of stronger enforcement.
- SM/KR - join the HLWA/USFS collaboration on FSR437 and shooting pit, mtg on 9/22
- MAS - scope potential public outreach re Blue-green Algae
- KR - email J Varley re weed survey results
- MAS - investigate the cost and influencing factors (resolution, format, data size?) associated with producing shoreline video
- Investigate bill pay and statements from FIB can allow visibility into actual cash flow into and out of the account


Attendees: Steve Meyer (SM) - Board President; Kristine Bartz (KB) - Board Member; Mary Ann Stoll (MAS) - Communication and Public Outreach manager; Todd Walker (TW) - HL Lake Manager; Jan Wilkins (JW) - Hayden Lake Watershed Association Board President, Geoff Harvey (GH) - HLWA President Emeritus, Jim Hamm (JH) - resident

Call to order: 6:07

Conflicts of interest: none

Review/Approve Meeting Minutes from June 20 and July 21, 2022 – **SM moves to approve as is; KR 2nd; all approved**

 **Approved Minutes June 20, 2022 HLWID Board Meeting**

 **Approved Minutes July 21, 2022 HLWID Board Meeting**

Public Input:

- Welcome Jim Hamm, attending to gain an understanding of HLWID work and proceedings.
- GH - has published the '20-'21 Lake Monitoring Results report incorporating Darin Brandt's input. Mokins Bay - Chlorophylls increase as the bay drains, indicating the rise of blue-green algae. While the growth is not reflected in bio-volume/mass, we do see it in Chlorophylls.
- GH - has done an analysis of the TMDL implementation plan implementation: phos/yr has fallen to 4.9 ug/lt, attributable to many factors, including HLWID projects plus changes in land usage in the watershed. The lake has improved; it's not water quality limited; we're doing things right. Caution: the watershed is going to change in ways that will increase the phosphorus, i.e., new tree harvest. Attention to water quality must continue, and actions identified to keep water quality good.

New Business:

- Enforcing SMA and Erosion prevention ordinances - what's next?
Both the HLWID and the HLWA are concerned about the severe impact that erosion from construction sites and runoff from managed shoreline areas can have on Hayden Lake's water quality. These two sources of sediment and nutrients into the lake are governed by Kootenai County ordinance. Within this discussion, attendees cited barriers to effective protection of the lake from these sources.

Barriers:

- insufficient constituent awareness of enforcement issues, and empowerment to influence enforcement;
- BOCC-related issues: inadequate support of the KC Enforcement division; reluctance to enforce relevant laws beyond issuing stop-work orders; BOCC perspective of governance vs environmental protection vs personal property rights;
- KC Planning and Enforcement-related issues: insufficient staffing; inadequate civil engineering expertise; limited by BOCC-imposed constraints on prosecution of code violations;
- KC Prosecutor's Office-related issues: insufficient staffing;
- Law and Best Management Practices-related issues: ambiguous laws and easy-to-foil BMPs
- HLWID and HLWA-related issues: unclear expectations, roles, & responsibilities of each org; ambiguous enforcement failure case history data; unknown legal perspective re citizen dissatisfaction w elected official performance of duties

Resolutions:

- HLWA will form a sub-committee/joint task force, to include representation from HLWID (SM or KR), and reps from other waterways and environmental groups that are similarly affected.
- SM - have conversations with the new commissioner(s) and share HLWID/HLWA concerns, giving the opportunity to respond, possibly in favor of stronger enforcement.

Treasurer's Report

- Review of Financial Reports from Jul, Aug '22 - **SM moves to pay and ratify; KR 2nds, all approved.**

August 15, 2022				
Payee	Invoice	Function	Amount	
Davis Excavating	Inv. 0021 - Dock Removal	Dock Removal	\$ 24,005.00	Paid on 07.29.22
Practical Accounting Solutions	Inv. HLWID.06.22	Accounting	\$ 262.50	
Practical Accounting Solutions	Inv. HLWID.07.22	Accounting	\$ 203.00	
Mary Ann Stoll	July 2022	Commuications	\$ 2,138.85	
Watershed Management	July 2022	Management	\$ 3,775.00	
Eureka Water Probes	Inv. 56563	Testing Equipment Repair	\$ 1,880.96	Paid on 08.06.22
Bluejay Industrial, Inc.	Inv. 028844	Bouy	\$ 2,782.02	Paid on 08.06.22
TOTAL INVOICES FOR APPROVAL:			\$ 35,047.33	

September 12, 2022				
Payee	Invoice	Function	Amount	
Go Daddy	.com Domain Renewal	Commucations	\$ 20.17	Paid 08.22.22
Practical Accounting Solutions	Inv. HLWID.08.22	Accounting	\$ 168.00	
Mary Ann Stoll	August 2022	Commucations	\$ 2,344.95	
Watershed Management	August 2022	Management	\$ 2,825.00	
AM Testing	Inv. 129129	Testing	\$ 440.00	Revised and received on 09.12.22
AM Testing	Inv. 129130	Testing	\$ 440.00	
ICRMP	Renewal 10.01.22-09.30.23	Insurance	\$ 1,889.00	
TOTAL INVOICES FOR APPROVAL:			\$ 8,127.12	

- Ratify renewed Independent Contractor contracts - **postponed until Oct mtg.**
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HLWA Updates:

- Annual meeting Sept 23 - format will be vendor-table-style, centers, w reps from 5 agencies.
- 437/shooting range - The HLWA has been working in committee with the Forest Service to 1) decommission 437; 2) close the shooting range or put it under management and mitigate the flow of sediment and contaminants out; 3) replace #13 / 13 culvert on Ohio Match Rd. FS is awaiting KV funds. HLWA would like to repair these issues before further pollution drains into the lake. Asking HLWID to fund this work now rather than awaiting KV funds based on:
 - Timber harvest (therefore KV Funds) projected for '25/'26.
 - Testing did reveal Pb in surface water coming from the shooting range.

Resolutions:

- Due to the urgency of the threat of heavy metal contamination from the shooting pit, HLWID preliminarily approves funds to protect water quality in Hayden Creek tributary. NOTE: ask about KV funds for reimbursement since federal land, federal problem, and federal funds will become available
- HLWID will consider replacing culvert #13 but needs to get bids.
- Sheriff's Marine Division conv - seeking dedicated boat on HL next year; requesting financial support to fund seasonal officers to staff the boat; HLWA proposes to do fundraising for a trial year to see if private funding has a positive impact, provided KCSO agrees to enforce wake regulations and the boat and officers are on the lake full-time.

Lake Manager's Report

- July-Sept lake activities, issues
 - From 1/24/22 - TW - re ordinance signage for lake entry points - follow-up with The Falls, check-in with Fish & Game, Country Club, and Hayden Marina.

Sign Location	Details	Update
Hayden Marina	4 signs, one on each gate, one by gas pump; size TBD by staff	Joe is in agreement; negotiating locations
Honeysuckle	1 large sign in place, no replacement needed	---
County Club	CC has new sign; needs to be installed	new sign installed
Sportsmans	looking for alternative location	no alternative; small sign will remain on kiosk
The Falls	1 sign between ramp and dock	Todd to install Board President, Ken Hollenback, 208-625-7567

- o From 5/16/22 - TW - check with F&G and neighbors for alternative sign locations at Sportsmans - none available - done
- Construction update
 - o From 6/20/22 - TW - check on details of County information/evidence associated with Kent property SMA violation - done
 - o No activity requiring updates to Lake Manager's report or KCE Hayden Lake Report

Communication & Public Outreach Manager's Report

- Project updates:
 - o 3-D model - progress made understanding the data-to-model process; need expertise in GIS-required pieces of the process; approach NIC;
- New items
 - o HLWA Annual meeting - MAS will table at the meeting with info re buoy installation, bathymetric mapping, native weed management
 - o BG Algae public outreach - MAS will pursue scoping a public event involving PHD, DEQ, etc.; potential outreach early summer

Old Business:

- Buoy Installation - TW update - anchors have been staged for 2 weeks; buoys and parts have been in Frey possession for some time; Frey started installation today, anticipates completion tomorrow.
 - o City of Hayden's buoys are not a uniform distance from the shore; it is their responsibility/jurisdiction to rectify that.
- Filling open board position - SM, KR-todo-meet in October with 3 interested parties
- Shoreline Video Archive - need to update the archive; need to detail cost and ponder intrusion or privacy issues.

Adjourn: 9:13

Next meeting: Oct 17, 2022, 6:00 p.m.