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Houghton Lake Improvement Board Regular Meeting Minutes August 22, 2017

Call to order by Chairman Deamud at 7:00 pm.

Members present were Jack McCauley, Matt Peterson, Keith Stiles, David Russo, James Deamud and Norm Fullmer. Rex Wolfsen was absent.

Alternates present were Lynn Baese, Gary Stefanko, Chip McCullough and Robyn Daniels. Dick Pastula and Howard Hatherly were absent. Chip McCullough filled in for Rex Wolfsen.

Motion by Mr. Stiles and supported by Mr. Russo to approve the minutes of the July 25, 2017 special meeting. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Motion by Mr. McCullough and supported by Mr. Peterson to approve the minutes of the June 27, 2017 regular meeting. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Motion by Mr. Russo and supported by Mr. Peterson to approve the agenda with the addition of a report by Mr. Stiles regarding the Beebe Island area. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Keith Stiles reported PLM had successfully completed the treatment and harvesting in the Beebe Island canal system. The Houghton Lake Sewer Authority accepted the harvested material at their facility. The board approved up to \$5000 for this project. The actual cost was \$2187.50.

Treasurer Fullmer reported the following bank balances as of 8/22/17. Checking \$41,404.66, Money Market \$401,662.21 and a CD balance of \$400,000. Year to date expenses totaled \$63,769.

RLS presentation-Dr. Scott Herron from Ferris State University gave a presentation on the benefits of wild rice to Lake Eco systems. Dr. Jennifer Jermalowicz-Jones reviewed the lake treatment efforts conducted by PLM in early August. She also presented to the board the results of resent testing for aquatic herbicide residue concentrations in Houghton Lake. Twelve locations were tested. Triclopyr and 2,4-D were not detected at any of the locations. At all twelve locations varying concentrations of copper and sulfate were detected. Also discussed was the North Bay harvesting project. An additional permit will be required possibly moving the project to the spring of 2018.

Motion by Mr. McCullough and supported by Mr. Russo to authorize HLIB to spend \$500 for the required permit. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Motion by Mr. Russo and supported by Mr. McCullough to table action on boat wash project until additional information can be gathered. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Motion by Mr. Fullmer and supported by Mr. Russo to reschedule the next regular meeting to September 26, 2017 instead of September 19, 2017 due to scheduling conflicts with some board members. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Motion by Mr. McCullough and supported by Mr. Russo to adjourn at 9:02 pm. All members present voting in the affirmative the motion carries.

Next Scheduled Regular Meeting
September 26, 2017
Lake Township Hall @ 7 pm

Respectfully submitted
Norm Fullmer
Secretary-Treasurer