

Lloyd's Bayou Lake Board  
Business Meeting  
May 6, 2021

Members Present: James MacLachlan, Kim Crozier, Roger Bergman, and Joe Bush.  
Absent Dave Kauchek.

Guest: Rick Buteyn from Progressive AE attending for Tony Groves.

In attendance: members of the public, including Karen Chapel.

1. Meeting called to order at 3:30 p.m. by Jim MacLachlan.
2. Roll call of members and reading of minutes of the September 24, 2020 meeting.
3. Minutes approved on Motion by Roger Bergman, second by Joe Bush.
4. Treasurer Report: Joe Bush provided a synopsis of the financial report. Copies were provided to audience members. Joe stated that funds are still coming in from Township taxes to the Treasurer. He will update the financials when all are collected. The Board has a surplus going forward into 2021. The Board commented this is positive as we have outstanding bills and additional expenditures.  
**Action:** Treasurer Report approved on motion by Kim Crozier, second Roger Bergman. Report approved.
5. Report by Progressive AE Consultant Rick Buteyn. First survey will be May 17. No Board members are allowed to go on the boat due to Covid restrictions. Last spray was September 17, 2021. The first algae spray of 2021 will be before Memorial Day. The current algae permit is good through 12-31-22.  
Rick stated water levels are down; therefore, they are anticipating more plant growth. If they are native species, they can harvest. (PLM does the spraying and harvesting). Rick stated they will continue to survey May-August and see what grows. They are focused on invasive species. Rick warned that Starry Stonewort was found by PLM in the Grand River and tributaries. It is an algae species that creates mats that can grow very thick. If gets into Lloyds' Bayou, it can cost lot to treat and to harvest.
6. Additional Items:
  - i. Bill Borowski's inquiry about the launch ramp/dock installation timeline. Jim MacLachlan stated that the dock is sitting at the boat launch ramp and has been nicely

restored. It will be installed when the first cement drive in support's top is above the water level. The water level is checked every three days or so to see if the desired height has been reached, which may not be for a while. An audience member suggested the dock needs to be longer and put in farther.

ii. Karen Chapel's inquiry about weed island removal in the area of her kayak rental business. Karen stated the islands present problems for kayak launch and kayakers, and she has tried to move them. Karen proposed that the Board use its funds to remove the islands by her business. She contacted three companies (Grand Haven Excavating, Northern Pipeline in Spring Lake, and Dan's Excavating in Hudsonville) for quotes to remove and dispose of the islands. Karen offered that the islands can be placed on the cement pads on her property to dry out prior to removal.

Jim MacLachlan noted that after several years' frustration with this issue, this is an opportunity to get rid of some or all of the islands, as we now have a place to put them to dry out. Others have tried to move them. Water levels also affect the problem. Board discussed its authority and budget for removal of navigational hazards for the benefit of lake residents. The Board will look at the quotes and discuss the matter. Roger Bergman commented that it should be done sooner than later. Kim Crozier raised scope of the operation; are there other islands that need to be identified and removed?

**Action:** Provisional motion by Joe Bush to take in at least 3 quotes, Board will review estimates, discuss matter and cost, and subject to majority of Board approval, select a bid for removal of floating, not connected, nuisance vegetation from northeast corner (or wherever islands have moved to) of the Bayou; seconded by Roger Bergman. Motion approved.

7. Public comment: None.

8. Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, June 17, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

9. Adjourn. There being no other items on the Agenda or discussion from the floor meeting was adjourned on motion by Roger Bergman, second by Joe Bush. Approved.

Kim Crozier,

Acting Secretary/Pro Tem