

Colon Township Lake Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
May 11, 2024
Colon Township Hall, Colon, MI

1. Call to order by chairman Taylor at 9:00 AM
2. Roll call members present: Bell, Borgert, Camper, Crawford, Taylor
Absent: Charles, Costello, Schneitter, Tenney, Newman, Gentz
3. Motion by Crawford, second by Bell to nominate Tenney as lake advisory committee secretary. All Yes, motion carried.
4. Discussion was had about lake advisory committee members. Borgert recommended asking A. Kiss to join the committee. Borgert told Taylor he would pass along the contact information for A. Kiss.
5. Motion by Crawford, second by Camper to approve minutes from April 13, 2024 meeting. All Yes, motion carried.
6. Discussion was had about the newsletter that was emailed out prior to the meeting. Borgert asked for a couple of minor changes. Taylor said he will make the changes and prepare the document for Crawford to print and mail. Motion by Borgert, second by Bell to approve the newsletter, with changes, for mailing. All Yes, motion carried.
7. Taylor notified the board that the previous watershed/lake studies were scanned and saved to the website for public viewing. Taylor noted that many of the lake conditions present today are similar to the lake conditions in the studies dating back to 1976.
8. Borgert noted good walleye fishing with some bass being caught as well. The relatively warm water has allowed the crappie and bluegill to start spawning earlier than usual. Crawford stated he has had some good luck fishing for walleye and bass as well.
9. No Secchi readings taken yet this year. Borgert stated Long Lake had about 4 feet of clarity by Secchi disk from his dock. Bell thinks Palmer Lake clarity is closer to 2 feet based on his observations. Crawford agreed but there was no Secchi reading taken on Palmer Lake.
 - a. Borgert reported the water temperature was 65 - 70 degrees.
 - b. There was no report about stump or log issues. Crawford noted that the stump markers that are usually in the channel going towards the Long Lake bridge from Palmer Lake are not in place.
 - c. Borgert read the E-Coli results from the 4/22 samples. All levels are low and in the acceptable range. The next samples will be taken on 5/15 by Borgert, Tenney, and Bell.

d. No public comments

10. Motion by Crawford, second by Bell to adjourn the meeting at 9:29 AM. All yes, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Crawford
Acting Chairman