

Colon Township Lake Board Meeting Minutes

June 13, 2020

Colon Township Hall

1. Call to Order: Chairman Borgert called meeting to order at 10:02 AM

Approval of agenda: Correction to the agenda to add \$23.88 to Don Schneider for buoy repair.
Tenney/ Bell, all yes

2. Roll Call Board Members Present: Bell, Borgert, Crawford, Tenney. Absent Pangle, Wenzel.
3. Roll Call Advisory Committee Members Present: Bell, Borgert, Charles, Costello, Crawford, Camper, LeRouque, Schneider, Taylor, Tenney. Absent Dounes.
4. Approval of Minutes, May 20, 2020: Motion to table approval of minutes to 7/11/20 meeting by Crawford/Taylor, all yes.
5. Secchi readings: Long Lake 5' estimate, Palmer Lake 2'6" on 6/4, Lepley Lake not taken

6. Financial Report.

Balance 4-30-20	\$409,159.01		
		Income	Expenses
Assessments Paid 5-21-20		8,630.69	
Interest earned 5-29-20		81.80	
Mailing labels			25.00
PLM- Long Lake E. Milfoil treatment 6-3-20			13,686.75
PLM- Palmer Lake E. Milfoil treatment 6-3-20			18,975.00
Sturgis Media Group – Zoom meeting notice 5-13-20			78.70
Jim Crawford- Newsletter mailing			366.93
Don Schneider- buoy repair			23.88
Balance 5-29-20	\$417,846.50		

A motion to approve the 5-29-20 financials noting the mailing labels were already paid for was made by Crawford/Tenney, all yes.

7. New Business

- A. Advisory Committee report by Crawford. All information to be discussed at board meeting. Two advisory motions to be presented at appropriate time.
- B. E. Milfoil treatments completed on Long and Palmer Lakes 6-3-20. More acres treated than in past years. Several Riparian complaints about lack of treatment around their docs. PLM to investigate further. Crawford noted need for evaluation from GPS point 125 to GPS point 5 because of weed growth near the surface.
A motion was made to allow PLM to treat the Lepley Lake Channel when on site for evaluation as recommended by advisory committee. Tenney/Bell, all yes.
- C. Newsletter was mailed out noting postponed assessment due to COVID-19. Bell said village board acknowledged postponement with appreciation.
- D. Per Schneider most buoys are back in place. No additional repairs needed at this time. Schneider to move two additional buoys this week. Crawford to mark buoy location on a map for distribution to lake board at July meeting.
- E. Expanded algae permit for Palmer Lake not likely to be approved. PLM advised not to move forward with that request. PLM is moving forward with expanded permit request for Long Lake

and was told the permit has been moved on to fisheries and land resources for review. We hope to hear back in the coming week or two.

- F. Discussion about contract with PLM as weed applicator was had. Borgert indicated that longer contracts lock in better pricing and current proposal from PLM allows for either party to end contract with notice.

A motion was made to extend the contract with PLM for the next five years to coincide with the new assessment period. Tenney/Bell, all.

- G. DNR will not be stocking walleye in Long Lake this year because of COVID-19 shut down.

Discussion had about waiting for DNR to start again next year or paying for the stocking this year with the DNR to resume normal schedule in 2021. Benefits of stocking include Gizzard Shad control which was a recommendation in studies previously done to help with water quality.

A motion was made at the recommendation of the advisory committee to purchase 1,300 Walleye at a cost not to exceed \$4,000.00 for stocking in Long Lake. Tenney/Bell, all

- H. A request was made by Borgert for board and advisory committee members to join a committee to work on the new assessment district for next year. It is recommended that the committee have some members that are familiar with the village and township businesses. This item will be addressed again at the July meeting.

Additional discussion

Township asked about ability of the board to purchase buoys for the beach. The lake board charter is for water quality and enhancement and does not allow for such activity.

Discussion was had about possibility of using technology to broadcast/record future meetings to allow online viewing of meetings. Further discussion about the possibility of creating a website/Facebook page to post board information for viewing by the public.

July 3rd flares around the lake is back on. Flares for sale at numerous businesses around Colon.

Special thanks give to advisory member Taylor for help facilitating the May Zoom meeting.

- J. Motion to adjourn, Bell/Crawford, all yes

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 AM

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Crawford,
Colon Lake Board Secretary