

Colon Township Lake Board Meeting Minutes

June 11, 2022

Colon Township Hall

1. Call to Order: Chairman Borgert called meeting to order at 10:04 AM
Approval of agenda: Pangle/Tenney, all yes
2. Roll Call Board Members Present: Borgert, Crawford, Pangle, Tenney. Absent: Bell, Wenzel
3. Roll Call Advisory Committee Members Present: Borgert, Camper, Charles, Costello, Crawford, Tenney. Absent: Bell, Gentz, LeRouge, Newman, Schneider, Taylor.
4. Motion to approve minutes of May 14, 2022 meeting. Pangle/Tenney, all yes
5. Financial Report.

Date	Description	Expenses	Income	Balance
04/29/2022	Beginning Balance		\$ 375,560.86	\$ 375,560.86
05/01/2022	Assessment Credits		\$ 5,541.52	\$ 381,102.38
05/31/2022	J.Crawford (news letter)	\$ 366.95		\$ 380,735.43
05/31/2022	interest		\$ 82.34	\$ 380,817.77
05/31/2022	Ending Balance			\$ 380,817.77

BILLS SUBMITTED TO PAID

06/01/2022	PLM Weed control Long Lake		\$ 1,083.75
06/01/2022	PLM Weed control Palmer Lake		\$ 10,340.00
BILLS TO BE PAID:			\$ 11,423.75

Motion to approve the 6/11/22 financials. Tenney/Pangle, all yes

6. Old Business
 - A. Discussion had about the need for sediment testing before use of EutroSORB would start. EutroSORB could be substituted for Phoslock for Phosphorous treatment if approved by State of Michigan. Advisory committee recommended the board approve the sediment testing to be done by PLM as requested by SeaPro. Cost for PLM to do testing is approximately \$700.00 compared to SeaPro labs at about \$3,000.00.
Motion to approve sediment testing was made by Crawford/Tenney, all yes
 - B. Discussion had about map sent to board by PLM regarding possible Lilly Pad treatment in channel for homes on Walters Trail. PLM is proposing two channels on either side of the existing long dock that would allow access to the main channel. The advisory committee made a recommendation that the board approve PLM pursuing an expanded permit for treatment.

Motion to approve PLM pursuing expanded Lilly Pad treatment along Walters Trail on channel by Pangle/Crawford, all yes.

- C. DNR will stock four Walleye per acre (1,000 fish) on Long Lake this fall. DNR will allow the board to stock an additional one Walleye per acre, (250 fish). The cost for the additional stocking is \$3.65 per fish or about \$912.50. Because of small number of fish, the fish will have to be picked up and brought to the lake.

7. New Business

- A. Advisory report presented by Crawford. Bluegill and Walleye fishing reported as good. Clarity on Long Lake reported as five to six feet by Borgert. Clarity reported as 2.5 feet on Palmer Lake by Tenney. Several recommendations made to lake board, see minutes for those recommendations.
- B. Approximately two acres on Long Lake and 14 acres on Palmer Lake were treated for E. Milfoil by PLM on 5/31. Treatment was recommended after survey by Progressive A/E. Treatment was approved between meetings by email between board members. The treatment was done during the week so the one-day irrigation and swimming restrictions would affect the fewest number of residences possible.
- C. E-Coli samples were taken at all previously established locations on 6/7/22. All locations showed increased numbers of E-Coli. Three locations, Lindley Road, Outwater Road, and the M-86 bridge were above 300. Several other sites were questionable for swimming including near the dam. The Palmer Lake beach and Lake Street site were safe for swimming. Based on the numbers the advisory committee recommended the lake board increase testing to every other week at the sites with numbers over 300. The results were provided to the tri-county health department, but Zimmerman did not have time to review results prior to our meeting. Motion to increase testing at three sites over 300 was made by Crawford/Pangle, all yes
- D. Lake resident Frank questioned the boards reserve policy with concerns about the reserve balance the board is carrying. Crawford explained the boards has entered into a three-year contract with PLM on a phosphorous reduction plan. The cost of the project is about \$50,000.00 per year and is not a budgeted item. It is anticipated that the current reserve balance will be largely depleted during the course of the current special assessment. Crawford also expressed interest in creating a reserve policy.
Advisory member Schneider asked about treating Lilly Pads at the inlet of Little Swan Creek to help increase flow. Borgert explained that Lilly Pads can only be treated for access. In addition Lilly Pads are beneficial to the lake and should not be removed if possible. E. Milfoil in the area can be treated but initial survey by Progressive A/E did not reveal any need for treatment at this time.
Advisory member Gentz is going to move out of place buoy's in channel back into proper location. Buoy's are held in place by cement blocks and a heavy chain.
- E. Lake board meetings for 2022 scheduled for 7/9, 8/20 and 9/10. All meetings are at the Colon Township Hall at 10:00 AM with the advisory meeting just before at 9:00 AM unless otherwise publicized.
- F. Motion to adjourn at 10:31. Tenney/Pangle, all yes.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jim Crawford
Colon Lake Board Secretary