

# **Pelican Group of Lakes Improvement District**

## **Board of Directors Meeting**

Wednesday, June 24, 2015

RMB Environmental Laboratories, Inc

Board Members Present: Doug Oksendahl, Larry Kohler, Jay Elshaug, Arlan Swenson, Bill Kelsven, Paul Horstmann

Board Members Absent: Doug Johnson, Ed Johnson, Suzanne Lervick

Others Present: Moriya Rufer, Fred Manual, Nikki Kupser (GMG), Mike Clemens (GMG).

The meeting was called to order at 7pm, and the meeting participants recited the Pledge of Allegiance. The Agenda was reviewed, and Oksendahl moved to approve the agenda and Kelsven seconded. The motion passed.

Nikki Kupser and Mike Clemens from Greater Minnesota Gas Company presented to the board about their plans for natural gas for Pelican Lake. Their company is focused on providing gas in rural areas. Gas lines are being laid along Highway 20 and the northeast corner of the lake this year. People that are interested in hooking up to natural gas should contact them.

Fred Manual attended the meeting representing the PLPOA board. He reported that the PLPOA board voted unanimously to approach PGOLID about taking on lake clean up day. There is 90% membership in the association, but everyone uses trash pickup day. PLPOA thinks it's fairer if PGOLID pays for it so that everyone who lives on the lake is paying for it. It usually costs \$7,500-\$8,000 per year. Some expressed concerns that PGOLID taking on this task would hurt PLPOA membership, as the trash pickup is a large draw for members. PGOLID decided to discuss this item more with PLPOA and learn more about what it entails. No action was taken at this time.

Bob Smart and Roger Stadum couldn't make it to this meeting, but Elshaug and Oksendahl met with them last Friday to hear their concerns about Provan Beach traffic and bring them to the PGOLID Board. The issue was discussed and no action was required. They reported that some progress is being made on the traffic at Provan Beach and PLPOA will continue e-communications to remind people about overcrowding.

PLPOA passed a motion to suspend muskie stocking until the DNR provides data to prove that stocking muskies does not harm other fish in PGOLID lakes. Oksendahl made a motion to support the PLPOA effort. Kelsven seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The April and May minutes were reviewed and minor corrections made. Kohler made a motion to pass the minutes and Kelsven seconded it; the motion passed.

Swenson gave the financial report. There is a bill for Houston Engineering for \$4,686.25 for the study on the Fish Lake Dam. Oksendahl made a motion to pay it, Elshaug seconded it and it passed. The Board reviewed and finalized the 2016 proposed budget to be presented at the Annual Meeting. Oksendahl made a motion, Kohler seconded it, and the budget passed.

Rufer presented the Lake Coordinator report. She requested the Board approve a one-time fee of \$90 to set up a stats report for the PGOLID website. Oksendahl made a motion, Swenson seconded it and the motion passed. Rufer reported that the DNR Shoreline Grant work was completed for the year and two new sites were successfully planted. She is seeing peak Zebra mussel veliger densities currently, which is 2 weeks earlier than usual. This is most likely due to the warmer water temps. The engineers have completed their stream survey for the Fish Lake Dam site and are going to start modeling water quantity now.

The Board discussed possible candidates for the PGOLID Board for the upcoming election. Rufer will post all the Annual Meeting information on the PGOLID website.

The meeting adjourned at 9:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Moriya Rufer