

DRAFT Hayden Lake Watershed Association, Inc. Minutes for 5.16.12  
Hayden Lake City Hall, Hayden Lake, Idaho.

- I. Meeting was called to Order at 6:35pm. Board members In attendance are Geoff Harvey, Todd Walker, Bob West, Larry O'Leary, Barb Neal, Gloria Lund, and Chris Meyer.
- II. Suggested changes to the agenda.
  - a. None
- III. Correspondence received
  - a. Multiple website comments pleased with the new site and the information available.
  - b. Letter from Tom Woolfe of the Idaho Department of Lands– He hopes to get out on the water this week to assess the aquatic plant community on Hayden and will be providing an update as the survey is completed. Zebra/quagga mussels sampling will be done this summer and is expected to start shortly. Tom is hoping to have Association help to post notifications for the summer weed treatments.
- IV. Review of minutes from 4.18 meeting
  - a. Motion to approve by West, second by Neal. Passed unanimously.
- V. Presentation from Members / Meeting Participants
  - a. None
- VI. Officer reports:
  - a. Treasurer - Lund
    - i. Dues are still lagging this spring, a reminder to all board members to be sure your dues are current. She asked the Secretary to please remind the membership on the next e-mail blast to renew their membership.
  - b. Secretary's report - Meyer
    - i. New website up and running, lots of positive comments. Please continue to provide input and updates as you work with the site and identify opportunities for improvement.
    - ii. Would like to work with Lund to set up PayPal account for electronic donations. Meyer to investigate the costs and fees associated.
    - iii. Lund suggested that we publish those members who are current on their dues and use this as a method to encourage others to renew.
    - iv. Suggestion was made to stop publishing formal newsletters and simply print excerpts from the website. We acknowledge that some of our members are not computer people and probably will not be so we need to provide them information in a printed form.
  - c. Lake Manager's Report - Walker
    - i. Some phone calls about weed mats, Walker has been re-directing these calls to the Idaho Department of Lands. Walker worked through a sample weed mat request and was able to learn quite a bit about the process. Permits are required for up to 5 mats installed on a lot. A diagram of the dock area and weed mat application is required to certify the permit. Five 10x10 mats are legal on one property and they must be moved after 60 days. This timing allows 3 locations be covered by one mat during one permitting season (May 1 through Oct. 1.) This requirement to move the mats is intended to prevent siltation and weed growth on top of the mat. Evidence is showing on Lake Pond O'reille that this method can kill the weeds for 2+ years.
    - ii. Walker described a process for making the weed mats in bulk and suggested that the Board might consider making them in bulk and then selling them to the

public to help offset the costs for Walker to help administer the program. Costs are estimated to be minimal for the weed fabric and 2" PVC pipe frame and this would continue to provide weed mats for our members to install.

- iii. The lake cleanup is scheduled for June 21<sup>st</sup> this year, thanks to Camp Mivoden for their support of our efforts. If members have a dock that they would like to be disposed they should call Todd Walker at 771-0525 to confirm that this cleanup is an appropriate candidate for this disposal method.

d. President's Update

- i. Boyd sedimentation issues have been cleaned up and there is a hearing scheduled for June.
- ii. Harvey mentioned that there is a substantial amount of trash that has accumulated at the gun range and it is in our watershed.
- iii. Motion by Neal to send a letter from the HLWA board to the USFS describing our desire for the USFS to discipline the gun range users and improve the trash situation. Second by O'Leary. Passed unanimously.

VII. Old Business

- a. Website is up and running and is open for comments and is a big improvement over the previous efforts. Meyer proposed that we offer our website designer Hilma a \$50 annual retainer to help backstop his efforts to manage the website. The board agreed. Meyer will pass along Hilma's invoice to Lund for payment and extend the offer of a retainer relationship.
- b. Summer cleanup – Scheduled for June 20<sup>th</sup> (21<sup>st</sup>?) of this year, Walker will confirm the date with Camp Mivoden.
- c. Hayden Lake Awareness Fair efforts –Harvey distributed a sample poster draft and asked for picture submissions if any board members have some. The poster is intended to be used at our summer event and to help publicize the good efforts that the Association is doing to protect the lake (boat launch locations, other public access points.) The proposed date is for Saturday, July 7<sup>th</sup> from mid-morning through mid-day. Walker will ask the City of Hayden for permission to use the beach.
- d. Fee District Update – Steve Meyer reported that he and Mel Schmidt have convinced Cecil Hathaway to become the 3<sup>rd</sup> member of the group. The three are meeting on Monday to begin to move the District forward.

VIII. New Business

- a. None

- IX. Motion to adjourn by Lund, second by Meyer. Meeting adjourned at 7:52pm.