

The meeting of the Hayden Lake Watershed Association was called to order on March 21, 2012 by Chair Geoff Harvey at 6:37 pm at the Hayden Lake City Hall in Hayden Lake, Idaho.

In attendance: Bob West, Larry O'Leary, Barbara Neal, Gloria Lund, Mel Schmidt, Todd Walker, Geoff Harvey and Adrienne Cronebaugh of Kootenai Environmental Alliance. Donna Harvey was note taker in Chris Meyer's absence.

Larry O'Leary moved to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Barbara Neal seconded the motion; the motion passed.

There was no correspondence except for a question as to when the website would be up and running. Geoff said that Chris was working on the website.

Geoff passed around a picture of a sediment plume from the logging on the Hemlock Hills subdivision project.

Adrienne Cronebaugh of Kootenai Environmental Alliance (KEA) gave a short presentation on the Hayden Lake Project which began with a video made by Karen Hayes and which has now developed into a project with KEA. KEA is looking to install an artificial wetland and aerator at McLean's Bay. They tried for a 319 grant but didn't have enough agency participation so were scored low. However, they are looking to find donations to do the project at McLean's Bay and there are several residents of the bay that are interested in helping with the project. Another site for an artificial wetland and aerator is under the docks at Honeysuckle Beach. Adrienne said that Idaho Department of Lands and Idaho Department of Fish and Game are two agencies that are interested in the projects and have agreed to help with the artificial wetlands. Also Adrienne will work with Hayden Public Works to get this project in front of the Hayden City Council.

KEA is sponsoring a Hayden Lake Project event at the Hayden Lake Country on Earth Day, Friday, April 20 to raise funds. Cecil Hathaway and Karen Hayes have sent out 100 letters asking for contributions and support for the Hayden Lake projects. Tickets to the dinner are \$60 per person and the event is limited to 150 participants. Other ways to show support are by renewing your KEA membership, increasing your monthly or annual contribution, or making a special gift to the Hayden Lake Project.

Gloria Lund said that the association received \$475 in donations. Dr. Ambrose suggested that the association list all members who are not current with their dues on its website to serve as a reminder to those who haven't paid. Barbara suggested that a disclaimer be added that "if you have paid and you are not on the paid list please notify Gloria Lund. Gloria said that she included a little reminder on the newsletter to those people who have not paid this year.

Todd shared a history of the dike which Geoff is going to scan and send to all Board members. This item might also be posted as a reference on the web-site.

Todd suggested that in the spring the association should sponsor an informational event at Honeysuckle Beach. This could be an educational opportunity where residents could see the milfoil mats and possibly someone to speak about mussels and possibly even bring in a mussel washing station. This would get the group out in front of the public. Todd said the county will be selling mats for \$90. Adrienne said that she could get some media coverage for an event. Having a barbeque or some type of food event along with the educational event was suggested. June was agreed upon as the best month for this type of community event.

Clean Up day was discussed with the group deciding to focus on the Honeysuckle end of the lake this year. June was also targeted as a good time for this project. So far no one has seen much debris in the lake, but as the snow up high has not begun to melt, the water could rise significantly causing logs and docks to float into the lake. Joe Threadgill promised that his group would help with the clean up, but he was unable to attend tonight's meeting.

Hayden Lake Watershed Improvement District board member, Mel Schmidt said that Karen Hayes has decided she does not have the time to be a board member for the District. Mel said that the board is looking for another member. Several names were mentioned by board members as possible board members for the Watershed Improvement District Board.

Mel Schmidt asked for interested people from the board to speak to him concerning EMT service. Several members expressed interest. Mel will be scheduling a meeting with EMT officials concerning emergency response around Hayden Lake.

Bob West made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Barbara Neal seconded the motion; the motion passed and the meeting was adjourned by Chair Geoff Harvey at 7:34 pm on March 21, 2012.