

**The Hayden Lake Watershed Association** meeting was called to order by President Geoff Harvey at 6:35 pm on July 17, 2013 at the Hayden Lake City Hall.

In attendance: Bob West, Joe Threadgill, Geoff Harvey, Todd Walker, Barbara Neal, and Gloria Lund.

Geoff asked that an item be added to the agenda at the end of the meeting.

**Correspondence:** Barbara said that she received an Email from Sgt. Higgins of the Kootenai County Sheriff's Office that he will attend the annual meeting at the Hayden Lake Country Club next Tuesday.

Barbara Neal made a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting. Gloria Lund seconded the motion; the motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Gloria Lund said that she had received \$445 in checks and \$780 from PayPal..

**Lake Report:** Todd said the lake has been free of most problems so far this year except for the milfoil spraying. In previous years, the recovery time that it takes to use your drinking water after the spray was 5 days. This year it was 12 days and some people were advised to not use their water 24 days. This is a long time to be without drinking water. Bob West said that only two people at his end of the lake use the lake water for drinking. He also said that the weeds in his area of the lake were within 1 foot of the surface this year. After the spray, the weeds were down to one foot off the bottom. The County hopes that this new spray will take the weeds back to the point where they can be harvested by hand next year. Chuck Hawley was mentioned as a possible speaker to address herbicide information on the new product being used in the lake this year on milfoil.

**Spring Dock Removal:** Joe Threadgill said that he removed one large dock from Windy Bay and it was a very difficult removal as it had metal around it and the metal was all twisted, plus the doc was rotten and so he had to dive to get the metal free below the surface and also pieces of the dock kept coming off so he had to dive in the water the retrieve them as he was towing the dock. There is another dock to be removed in Windy Bay but Joe was unable to tell which dock it was. Sheila Garry has a dock and Todd is going to give Joe the location of that dock. Presently, there are 3 1/2 docks to be dismantled in Mokins Bay.

**Old Business:** The Uniform Land Code was presented but was found to be too confusing. The county is having it rewritten to be more clear.

**Hayden Lake Watershed Improvement District:** There was no meeting this month. Cecil Hathaway and Steve Meyer talked with the county attorney. An election will have to be held to approve the budget. After the election is held, the District need not hold another election unless they exceed 3% of the original budget approved in the election. The District must come up with funds to hold an election. Todd said that if the Sewer District had to hold an election because someone resigned, then the Watershed Improvement District could "piggyback" on the Sewer District's election. Geoff has drafted a campaign strategy and submitted it to Steve and Cecil for the budget for the District. Todd said that the Sewer District had an affidavit written up that said basically that "the voter resides at XXX address and is a voter in Idaho."

**Membership Meeting on Tuesday, July 23 at the Hayden Lake Country Club:** Geoff will give the state of the lake talk first. He will incorporate information on milfoil treatment as Tom Woolf cannot make the meeting. Tom will ask the herbicide applicators to attend and answer questions. Darren Brandt will talk

about algae blooms, Sgt. Higgins will talk about law enforcement on the lake, either Steve Meyer will discuss the progress on the Watershed Improvement District, and Todd Walker may talk about some lake issues, such as construction around the lake and how that impacts lake water quality. The meeting is called for 6 pm to give everyone who wants to, time to set up their tables and/or displays with the main meeting beginning at 6:30 at the Hayden Lake Country Club on Tuesday, July 23. Todd said he thought the Country Club had a power point projector if someone needs it.

**Litter:** Geoff added this to the agenda. Last week he stopped on the a pull out near Mokins Bay and saw a large box off the side of the road. Upon investigation, the box was found to contain an old toilet. A great deal of trash is thrown on the roads and in the ditch around Hayden Lake, some members believe, by Spokane people who are not allowed to use the Kootenai County Landfill Station because they have Washington license plates. They also have to pay at the Spokane Landfill to dump anything. Geoff suggested the Association write to the county commissioners and suggest that Kootenai County issue a little sticker to out of state residents with their property tax receipt that would allow them to use the Kootenai County Landfill. Todd says he owns property in Clark Fork and when he gets his receipt for his property taxes, he receives a little sticker which allows him access to the Bonner County transfer stations.

**Shooting Range:** Joe Threadgill asked if the shooting range is still a problem. Geoff said he has visited the area several times since the last news article in the Coeur d'Alene Press and the area has been reasonably clean.

Joe said that the young people from Mivoden would probably be out around the lake cleaning areas again this year. The young people very much appreciated the letter the Association wrote thanking them for their work cleaning up the Clark Ditch.

Barbara Neal made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Joe Threadgill seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.