

Meeting Notes Hayden Lake Watershed Association Inc.
July 28, 2020 Meeting Held In Zoom Platform

Board members present: Geoff Harvey, President; Jan Wilkins, Vice President; Barb Neal, Treasurer; Will Neal, Digital Communications Officer; Todd Walker and Gil Rossner. Absent: Gloria Lund and Chris Meyer. Attending Mary Ann Stoll. In our response to the COVID-19 health emergency and an abundance of caution, the meeting was conducted as a teleconference using the Zoom Platform arranged by Will Neal the Association's communications officer. A means was provided on the web-site to include public participation.

Meeting called to order at 6:32 PM

No additions or deletions from agenda

Agenda amended to add term "potentially" in reference to map of Sewer District.

Public Input: None

- Report on the Hayden Lake Watershed Improvement District Meeting:
 - District voted to approve post card billing; explained that District covering half of all printing and posting costs, while the second half coming from the District's grant to the Association.
 - District set to place buoys. Have all part as assembled but looking for contractor. Chosen contractor backed out when materials were not available for installation in a spring time frame; District steered towards Troy Sytke.
 - Reported to District that the South Shore Phosphorous loading report near completion. The Fall 2019 and Spring 2020 data incorporated. Data does not change low loading measurements in stark contrast to export coefficient modelling done by PHD. Loading did tick up in spring 2020 due to more precipitation, but still not significant.

Regular Business

- Treasurers' Report: Records of dues paid through Paypal and Quickbooks spreadsheets reviewed
 - Point made that activity of the Association is spurring membership participation.
 - Invoice for stamps by Treasurer not shown in records.
- Recorders Report: None
- Technology & Communication
 - Will Neal reviewed the wake complaint registry under development for the Association's website. Input was provided by Board members.
 - Will brought up the practice of the Association have service contractors on its website. It was explained this was a practice from many years past as a service to our members looking for services, but with no Association endorsement of these services.
 - The website "Next Door" now covers this service.
 - Moved that such listings be eliminated from the website, Jan Wilkins Second Barb Neal, Approved by voice vote.

Old Business:

- Boat Wakes
 - Fourth of July Weekend Flyer Distribution Follow up
 - 350 flyers put out at Honeysuckle and Sportsmans over the period
 - Very few (single digits) found by those searching the lots after each day
 - Noted that many had them on the inside of their windshields.
 - Gil put out 46 at Sportsmans the next weekend essentially running out before covering all the vehicles with boat trailers
 - Efforts to put flyers out at Hayden Marina have not been permitted by one manager, however the marina manager was distributing them to boats gassing up there.
 - A great deal of activity at Sportsmans likely due to weeds treated early this year.
 - Additional boat wake brochure distribution
 - New design developed by Mary Ann and Jan shown to Board
 - Board voice its preference for lighter front showing 300 feet excessive wake limit and circling bays that the new rules excludes from excessive wake use.
 - Board approved messaging, but wanted some reduction of verbiage on back of card and notice of annual Association meeting added.
 - Decided to mail again to lakeshore owners
 - Discussion of grant balance to pay for additional card printing and mailing, balance sufficient with enough buffer for another meeting of agencies and Districts.
 - Idea voiced to identify the rentals around the lake and possibly develop a poster that could be placed to inform summer tenants of these rentals.
 - Motion to approve the printing of another 1,000 flyers and mailing, Jan Wilkins, second, Barb Neal. Approved.
 - Wake Monitoring efforts
 - Complaint registry discussed above in Communications section.
 - Efforts to set up camera monitoring hit a snag in that it is wrong time of year to find planters to conceal the cameras.
 - Planter or some other cover necessary for cameras or theft a real possibility.
 - Pentagonal or hexagonal shape would allow mounting of two cameras to monitor boat passing and dock oscillation from wake.
 - Todd & Geoff will attempt build a suitable planter.
 - Criteria for a petition form to request additional legal navigational buoys was discussed.
 - Need to get nominations based on criteria and filter these to a specific proposal to the watershed Improvement District.
 - Criteria/Questions asked suggested
 - Can you show illegal encroachment?
 - How close is the nearest legal buoy?
 - Do you have proof like photographs or damage?

- How many docks in your area are affected by illegal wakes.
 - Geoff will draft an on line registry for nominations and send to Will and Board for input
- Honeysuckle Bay No Wake Zone
 - Introduction to petition reviewed; needs to be cut down to one page; suggest water quality information removed; point on county's dike responsibility retained.
 - Noted that we are trying to get a package to go to Craig Ely and others on the bay to lead local advocacy.
 - Noted that fourteen docks, so roughly fourteen owners around the bays.
 - Todd has talked with a person that wants to gather shore owner signatures
 - Revise intro to one page based on comment
 - Time frame to revisit this issue fall or early winter.
- Annual Meeting
 - Noted that we will have pre-registration just as we have for earlier Zoom Meetings.
 - Draft agenda discussed
 - Speakers, Notar or Meyer, Scaife and Davidson lined up, but not heard back from Klinkefus or Varner; Mary Ann will supply Klinkefus' telephone number since he does not respond to e-mail and we will invite Kim Holzer to speak. If that fails Gil will handle this portion of the presentation.
 - Suggested that Sate of Lake talk be shortened with water quality and education accomplishments highlighted. Then work on each issue highlighted in the introduction to each speaker, effectively spreading out Associations work and telling the audience the importance of each speaker's message.
 - Questions can be asked during pre-registration and these will be shared where appropriate with the speakers as they prepare. All questions during the meeting will be deferred to the end as necessary with a zoom meeting. Will Neal will direct those questions to the appropriate person.
 - Watershed Field Trip –Creation of a video
 - Jan has provided her pictures.
 - Unfortunately the Go-Pro video failed and the field trip was on one of our last rainy days showing the erosion and sedimentation. Video will be developed but it will need to await cooler wetter weather.
 - Will use a few of Jan's pictures to highlight FSR 437 as a problem, when introducing Ranger Scaife on Honey Badger

New Business

Discussion of Hayden Lake Sewer District (Executive Session)

- Questions have arisen about the name change from Recreational Sewer District to a Sewer District with the change in the District emphasis on providing sewer and not protecting the lake.
- Issue intensified by efforts to extend service beyond the District's boundaries by annexation. Jan Wilkins reported those opposing the Steele Development had the similar concerns. Went so far as to hire a lawyer but the Steele proposal went away at least for now.
- Board resolved to look into the name change. Specifically we know the case was made to a court of law that the District was over 50% developed with less than 50% rural or agricultural and over 50% of the served dwellings were full time residents.
- Simple inspection of the District map and comparison of that developed and that not calls these arguments into question.
- Board decided to make a public records request (PRR) for all maps, compilations of developed versus undeveloped acres, residency numbers and any other hard data developed by the District or its contractors that supports these conclusions.
- Request will be made tomorrow so data can be analyzed in advance of August 12th Sewer Board Meeting.

No Current or Emerging Issues identified

Meeting adjourned: 8:47 PM