

Comfort Lakes Association Board Meeting
September 2, 2021 6:30 pm
Via Zoom
Minutes

President Jeanine Hansen called meeting to order at 6:30 pm

Members present:

Jeanine Hansen
Mike Motzko
Dick Berglund
Sharon Sill
Tom Hobday
Dave Freemore
Bill Keilty
Jackie Anderson

Members Absent:

Mike Crepeau
Chris Roche

Guests:

None

Approval of Agenda

The agenda had been emailed to members prior to the meeting. One item was added to the agenda. Mike moved to accept the amended agenda; Tom seconded. The amended agenda was approved.

Secretary's Report

Minutes from the August 5, 2021 meeting had been emailed to Board members for review prior to the meeting. Dave moved to approve the minutes; Bill seconded; Minutes were approved.

Treasure's Report

Dick presented the Treasurer's report, which had been emailed, to members prior to the meeting. As of September 2, 2021 we have 64 paid members for 2021, which is the highest number of members in the Association's history.

Balances in accounts as of 9/2/2021 are:

General Fund \$ 9,288.55;

Walleye Stocking Program \$ 0.00;
Milfoil Treatment Program (\$1,082.40). *
Total Balance: \$ 8,206.15.

*While the Milfoil Treatment Money is maintained in the same account as the General Fund, for bookkeeping purposes it is monitored separately. The negative amount was taken from the General Fund balance to pay for Aquathol K, but will be replenished (for bookkeeping only) by anticipated DNR/CLFLWD grants and any milfoil treatment designated donations.

Bill moved to accept the treasurer's report; Dave seconded; Treasurer's report was accepted.

We discussed removing the ability to pay dues on line whether via PayPal or credit card. This has been only used two to three times so it is deemed not worth the cost or effort. Jeanine moved to remove the use of PayPal and credit cards for payment of dues; Tom seconded. Motion passed. Sharon will contact Eric Schmidt to have these options removed from the website.

- **CLFLWD AIS Grant Update**

The AIS grant is still in process but on the agenda for the CLFLWD meeting on September 9, 2021. The administrator is in favor of it and a motion will be made to approve the grant money. Jackie anticipates it passing. If it does pass, the money should be available immediately thereafter to lake associations, including CLA.

The lake grant is expected to be a separate grant program from other CLFLWD grants and will be ongoing. Each of the major lakes in the CLFLWD could get up to \$ 15,000 per year. If received, CLA would use the money to pay for the ProcellaCOR treatment by Lakes Management.

We have enough funds to treat with ProcellaCOR through Lake Management even if we do not receive funds from the CLFLWD. Payment must be made to Lake Management within 30 days of treatment. They are waiting to hear from us as to when to treat. Mike moved that we pay Lake Management from the general fund for the ProcellaCOR treatment if we do not get a grant from CLFLWD. Dave seconded. Motion passed. Jeanine will contact Lakes Management to set up the treatment as soon as possible. Members will be notified with an update on Facebook, the website and via email given there has been a delay from the July intended treatment date.

- **Annual Membership Meeting October 7**

Working Agenda:

1. <https://www.mprnews.org/story/2018/08/29/quiz-can-you-identify-the-invasive>
Use this as an opening quiz
2. AIS Treatment update
3. Lakeshore Buffer Zone – Angie Hong is confirmed to speak
4. Watershed – including information on lakeshore plant reimbursement program
5. Wake Boat Study Research Update – Jeff Marr, project lead of the Healthy Waters Initiative, is confirmed to speak.

We will start advertising the annual meeting the last two weeks of September via flyers, Facebook, emails and the website.

- **Mapping of Lily pads and Milfoil**

This needs to be done soon for permit applications next year. Bill has the GPS ability and offered to do it. Jackie will contact Mike from the CLFLWD to see if there is equipment or personnel from the watershed that could be of help. Any other board members who can help should contact Bill.

- **Update on DNR Grant Money**

Jeanine submitted paperwork today. We should be receiving a minimum of \$1,800 and possibly up to \$ 2,050.

- **Leaves in the lake from last fall/spring**

Some lakeshore homeowners are dumping leaves into the lake, which is terrible for the lake. We need to educate people about this. Anyone seeing this happen is encouraged to speak to the homeowner, or if they don't feel comfortable doing that, contact Jeanine and she will do it on behalf of the Association.

Jackie moved to adjourn. Dave seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Next Meeting is the Annual Meeting, October 7, 2021, at 7:00 pm.
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