

**Spring Lake Management District
Annual Meeting Minutes
June 24, 2017**

The Board meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Kevin Milliken. Other board members present were Secretary Pamela Stephens, Treasurer Arnie Wilke, Gary Walejko and Mike Kapp. A total of 26 lake district members, including the Board attended the meeting.

President Kevin Milliken summarized the 2016 Annual Meeting minutes. Darlene Boosted moved approval and Jim Stephens seconded. The motion was approved by the membership.

Treasurer Arnie Wilke presented the Treasurer's Report. He reported that we began the fiscal year with \$5,439.00. He itemized income totaling \$4,934.00 and expenditures totaling \$2,809.00, ending the fiscal year with a current balance of \$6,929.00. Marty Wilke moved to approve the Treasurer's Report and Darlene Boosted seconded. The motion was approved by the membership.

It was reported that the fiscal audit was done by Bob and Sue Tazalla. No discrepancies were reported.

Chair Kevin Milliken reviewed the proposed budget for 2017-2018. As previously noted, SLMD will begin the year with a balance of \$6,929.00. Projected income this fiscal year of \$4,700 , which includes special charges and an insurance refund, brings that total to \$11,629. Expenditures, which include annual dues, water analyses, weed survey/treatment, postage, insurance and carp weir repair, total \$7,837.00. This results in an estimated year-end balance of \$3,792.00. Following discussion of the budget item specific to weed survey and treatment, Mike McMonigal moved to approve the proposed budget and Darlene Boosted seconded that motion. The motion was approved by the membership.

Old Business:

Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Management and Carp Weir

Chair Kevin Milliken presented the need to treat Curly Leaf Pond Weed in the northern part of the lake. It was last treated in 2013. He also presented the eventual need to repair or replace the existing Carp Weir. He estimated a cost of

\$2,500.00 for the DNR permit and actual repair. Mike McMonigal moved to further explore the Carp Weir repair/replacement. Andy Jakubczyk seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the membership.

Results of AIS survey conducted on May 30, 2017

Kevin Milliken reported on the AIS survey conducted by Golden Sands. Eurasian Watermilfoil is sporadic, with thicker pockets under some of the docks.

Invasive Cattails and Canary Grass

The narrows was chemically treated for Invasive Cattails in the summer of 2016, and volunteers cut down the treated cattails in the winter. The water depth has not changed. Mike McMonigal stated that the Invasive Cattails were one of the reasons for originally establishing the lake district.

Canary grass is clogging Sucker Creek. Last summer volunteers hand pulled the weeds. There is another work day scheduled for July 1st.

Fish Habitat Improvement

Andy Jakubczyk reported on the Fish Crib project. A committee of volunteers met to plan the building of five or six cribs to be placed on the southwest side of the lake. DNR guidelines were followed. Dick Boosted had already built one crib and offered to build the rest. Once completed, volunteers placed the Fish Cribs in the lake. Andy offered pallets and instructions for members who are interested in building a fish crib for their lake area.

New Business:

AIS management for 2017-2018 hand-pulling EWM

It is hoped that hand-pulling of EWM with local divers and paid dive teams can continue control of the EWM.

Proposed action on narrow-leaf cattails and reed canary Grass

Narrow-leaf cattails will continue to be monitored. Immediate action to treat them is not expected during the 2017-18 fiscal year. Local residents are expected to

continue to manage and hand-pull reed canary grass in the Sucker Creek outlet of Spring Lake.

Friends of Spring Lake

Marty Wilke reported on the Friends of Spring Lake. She would like to see more of a sense of community. Nextdoor Neighbor web media links allow the community to expand beyond the management district. Next year, there will be a Town of Marion 4th of July parade. Friends of Spring Lake will attempt to tie in a picnic. Wilke discussed this year's garden walk which was to occur on July 29, 2017. Wilke plans to survey SLMD members asking what community would like to see, like picnic, boat parade, rummage sale(s). Friends goal is to engage each other and develop the community.

Clean Boat/Clean Water project may have volunteers on Saturdays at the Spring Lake boat landing reminding people to clean their boats to protect our lake and others.

Comments or Concerns

Mike McMonigal expressed an interest in having SLMD agendas and minutes sent to SLMD members. This was discussed at length. It was agreed that members who are interested in having this information supply e-mail addresses. Secretary Pam Stephens will be responsible for sending those out.

Board Election

Pam Stephens volunteered to continue on the SLMD Board for a full three year term. She was unopposed and was elected by the membership by unanimous acclaim.

The annual meeting was adjourned and a social hour with refreshments followed.