

Gravel Lake Association
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
Porter Township Hall
May 23, 2015

Called to order – 10:04am

Opening Remarks – none

Attendance – Cr DeSimone, Reed, M DeSimone, Pinkos, Brown, DeRosa, Flavin, Hochsprung, LaLone, McDevitt, McGreal, Rockwell, Roeder, Zwartz

Not in Attendance – Ca DeSimone, Dorsey, Kitzmiller, Paramski, Stogis

Approval of 10/18/14 minutes - moved by Hochsprung, seconded by Reed, approved

Approval of 4/18/15 minutes - moved by Reed, seconded by Brown, approved

Treasurer's Report – presented, we have a total balance of \$40,203.67

Officer's Reports

Secretary's Report – Thank you to Suzanne Reed for taking the minutes on 4/18

Editor's report – no report from the editor, not enough newsletters at this time

- Gebhard, Willow, and Huffs Landing did not receive newsletters (short about 120)
- Craig DeSimone asks that trustees please find someone to help distribute newsletters if they are unable to do it themselves.

Internet Ops – Newsletters are on the website, we will link the website to the Facebook page so people can access them.

- Only three people have used paypal so far, Janice will try having paypal available for the picnic so people can pay there
- Weed treatment updates are now on the website
- Shoreline information has now been added as well
- Facebook - we are only going to pull content that is profane, sexual, or unrelated

Fundraising – no update, Suzanne will contact Carlie about new tshirts for the picnic

Water Quality – Greg Garrett will now be doing CLMP, Arlene spoke with him about continuing this

Weed Treatment – We need to provide updated mailing lists, Craig asked the company to make updates on our Facebook page as well.

Buoys and Signage - We need a new buoy for the weed bed, Dan will buy the buoy and we will reimburse him.

- Dan and Tom would like to pass on buoys after this summer, a Zwartz kid might take on the buoys

Old Business

Public Access - Craig has a "Clean Boats, Clean Waters" poster he would like to put up at the public access, Suzanne is going to paper cars at the access with "Clean Boats, Clean Waters" stickers and information.

GL Stickers - We have decided to do stickers and not clings, these stickers will have a white background and blue lettering

Channel Dredging - no update

2015 Elections (incumbents: Brown, DeRosa, Roeder, Dorsey, Flavin, McDevitt, all executive officers) - we will have the election at the August membership meeting

Poker Run - This event will happen on August 8, volunteers are needed for docks and to help out in general, we also need sponsors for each dock (the names of the sponsors will go on the tshirt), ticket sales will still be at the Lalone's

- We will announce the Poker Run at the picnic

Water Quality consultants – Ken will follow up and find out what to do with the samples that fishermen collect (scale and stomach samples)

- Craig is still looking into SAD funding for our study

New Business

Membership Meeting and Picnic - Saturday, June 13: 11am meeting and noon picnic.

- Craig collected volunteers for set up and running the picnic and meeting.

Streeter Beach Walkway - Craig updated us on the conversations he's had with the township, he will post something with the final word from the township.

Seawalls - Craig updated us on the DEQ permitting requirements for lakeshore changes. Trustees were encouraged to be watchful that your neighbors are following DEQ guidelines and not compromising the lake with illegal lakeshore changes.

MLSA - Clean Boats, Clean Waters program was presented at the meeting.

- Many lakes discussed aeration as being expensive and not as positive as we thought, Tom Zwartz also gave us information based on his experience with it.
- Membership efforts were discussed at MLSA, many lakes do the same membership drives we do and have better results.

Other New Business – Fish stocking: the DNR needs results from our fish survey to continue stocking the lake, we intend to stock this year if the DNR will grant a permit (the fish survey will not be ready until after the stocking date)

Next BOT Meeting – Saturday, July 25th at 10am, Porter Township Hall

Announcements - none

Adjourned at 11:21am