Gravel Lake Board of Trustees Meeting – September 20, 2014

Called to order at 10:05am

Opening Remarks – Welcome Melissa DeSimone as the new intern secretary

Attendance: Craig DeSimone, Suzanne Reed, Melissa DeSimone, Janice Pinkos, Dave Brown, Ken Hochsprung, Jen Kitzmiller, Greg Kitzmiller, Kevin LaLone, Jim McGreal, Arlene Rockwell, Carole Roeder, Carlie Stogis, Fran Earl

Approval of minutes from June/July/August 2014 – motion to approve by Carlie Stogis, seconded by Ken Hochsprung, carried

Treasurer's Report presented by Janice Pinkos and copy of report presented to president

Officers' Reports

Secretary Report – Kathy Brooks resigned as secretary for personal reasons, thanks to her for all her years of service, Melissa DeSimone will take over as intern secretary

Editor – all material was due to Jamie Paramski last Sunday for the upcoming Gravel Laker Issue Internet Ops. – Jim McGreal would like the results of the 4th of July activities and photos of those activities for the newsletter and website, Carlie Stogis will check for the Fun Run and Parade results as well as photos from these events

- Carlie Stogis would like to start selling t-shirts on the website via PayPal before the holiday season

Fundraising – Carlie Stogis has new t-shirt ideas and would like to use PayPal for payments

- Social results: profit for the event was \$185, the board would like to continue the social next year – Carlie Stogis, Suzanne Reed, and Melissa DeSimone will work on the social for 2015 and we are looking at 7/25/14 as the date for next year

Water Quality - Dave Brown

Weed Treatment – no report or concerns

Buoys/Signage – weed bed buoys are out but channel buoys are still in at this time

Old Business

Public Access clean-up day – October 4, 2014 at 8:30am

- We will put up a Facebook event and post about this
- Jen Kitzmiller will bring refreshment for people volunteering to help clean up
- Volunteers are encouraged to bring tools and gloves to help with the work

Water Quality Consultants – vendor presentations today after this meeting

- 2 companies are coming, 1 would not give us an updated proposal so they are out of the running
- Craig DeSimone will talk to the township to see if the special assessment district money could supplement what we are paying for the assessment

- The fisheries study will be acceptable to the DNR, we need this study to continue fish stocking
- Suzanne Reed will contact her aunt or Shelly Carpenter to get information about a grant for our water quality study

GL Stickers – Janice Pinkos, table this as an email discussion

- Stickers or cling, member benefit or for sale

Boater Safety Cards – the left over stickers are in the DeSimone house

Channel Dredging – Art Earl paid for the channel core samples and they had to take 7 instead of the 6, this is more than was previously approved so we need to decide if we will pay for the increase

- Ken Hochsprung moves to approve \$1225 for channel core sampling, seconded by Greg Kitzmiller, motion carries (Dave Brown voted against this motion)

Michigan Riparian subscriptions – all paid members will receive a subscription for the 2015 year, this will alleviate administrative issues for this year and next year paid members will choose to continue the subscription or not in 2016

Invoices for dues will go out in early May 2015

New Business

2015 calendar decisions

April BOT meeting on 4/18/15
May BOT meeting on 5/23/15
June Membership meeting and Picnic on 6/13/15
July 3rd – Paddle Boat Regatta in the evening
July 4th - Boat Parade, Fun Run, Kids' Games
July BOT meeting on 7/25/15
July 25, 2015 – Social
August 8, 2015 – Poker Run
August Membership Meeting on 8/22/15
September BOT meeting on 9/19/15
October BOT meeting on 10/17/15

Poker Run 2015 – should we take this on? Is there a liability? Craig DeSimone will research this with the insurance company and gaming commission

Next BOT meeting is 10/18/14 at 10am at Porter Township Hall

Adjourned at 11:12am, moved by Dave Brown and seconded by Kevin Lalone, carried.