

REGULAR MEETING OF THE WHITE BEAR LAKE CONSERVATION DISTRICT

7:00 pm Zoom meeting

Minutes of March 16, 2021

APPROVAL DATE: Approved

1. **CALL TO ORDER** the March 16, 2021 meeting of the White Bear Lake Conservation District was called to order by Chair Bryan DeSmet at 7:00 pm by Zoom meeting.
2. **ROLL CALL** Present were: Chair Bryan DeSmet, Vice Chair Mark Ganz, Sec/Tres Diane Longville, Directors: Scott Costello, Mike Parenteau, Cameron Sigecan, Susie Mahoney, Scott O'Connor and Meredith Walburg. A quorum was present.
3. **AGENDA** – Chair DeSmet asked for any changes. Motion to add Annual Water Patrol contract added to New Business and Social Media Idea under Education. Approve as revised (DeSmet/second) roll call vote all aye passed
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF** – February, 2021 board meeting. Motion (DeSmet/Second) to approve all aye passed.
5. **PUBLIC COMMENT TIME** – None
6. **NEW BUSINESS** – This year's committee assignments are as follows:
  - LUC – Chair Mark Ganz, Luke Michaud, Scott O'Connor, Scott Bohnen
  - Lake Education – Chair Scott Costello, Susie Mahoney, Meredith Walburg, Cameron Sigecan
  - Lake Quality – Mike Parenteau Chair, Diane LongvilleRamsey County Water Patrol Annual Agreement \$41.00 hr 120 hrs max \$4,920. Motion to approve contract DeSmet/second roll call vote all aye passed.
7. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – None
8. **REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS**
  - Executive Committee** – Executive meeting 3/3/21 discussed LUC rule updates, water quality and asking McComas for historical data. Discussed wake boat etiquette possibly having Education committee publish something in the White Bear Press, putting etiquette on website. Discussed office admin items.
9. **Lake Quality Committee – Mike Parenteau**

Requesting survey bids from McComas for treatment, also would like to add to request as a separate line item a request for water quality current and historical data going back 50 years if available and summarize in spreadsheet. Rice Creek publishes results on their website with some of this information, and in the 1980's Century used to test the water. Will check if we have any of these reports on file.

Received a grant , Ramsey AIS Control Grant Project for \$4500 for invasive species treatment.
10. **Lake Utilization Committee – LUC reviewed the following and submitted to the board for approval.** Roll call per item
  - VFW – Approved
  - Alicia Heights Approved
  - Snyder Bay – Approved
  - Wildwood Beach – Approved
  - Forest Heights – Approved

- Manitou Island – Approved no ropes buoys only same as last year
- Russ Becker – Tabled
- John Redpath – Approved with contingent WBLCD phone number added to the first and last buoys for identification purposes (Vote 1 abstain, 8 vote aye passed)
- WBL Yacht Racing Team – Approved
- Black Bear Sailing Team – Tabled

**11. Lake Education – Scott Costello**

Lake clean-up was March 6<sup>th</sup>. Groups were assigned to different sections of the lake. Event was very successful report will be on our website. Discussion of wake boats board will wait to take a position after U of M research has been completed. DNR has boating etiquette on their website we could put a link to on our website. Possible signage for boating suggestions to put up at ` launch sites, committee will bring possible sign ideas to April meeting.

Meredith Walburg would like to take on the responsibilities of posting on Facebook and Instagram, ideas to post ice out, clean up dates, lake quality, trends etc. Will add a section to future agendas under education for Meredith

**12. Treasurer’s Report** – Motion (DeSmet/Second) approval March 16, 2021 Treasurer’s report and payment of check numbers 4687-4689 Roll call All Aye passed.

**13. Board Counsel** – Alan Kantrud

Ice House Out Date all good. Will check on the ice house that was stuck in the house if was removed.

**14. Announcements** – None

**15. Adjournment** – Motion (DeSmet/Second) Move to adjourn. All aye Passed.

**Meeting adjourned**

ATTEST:

Kim Johnson: *Kim Johnson*  
Executive Administrative Secretary  
Date:

Bryan: DeSmet: *Bryan DeSmet*  
Board Chair  
Date: