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Present: Jeff Harkman, Dave Lundberg, Jim Kelso, Dave Boie, Steve Miller, Kevin Bergstrom, Brenda Bauman, John Sedey, Karen Larson.

Absent: Ed Mader

President Jeff Harkman called the meeting to order.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the September 12th special board meeting.

Steve Miller presented the Treasurers' Report indicating a current balance of \$33,096. Despite this balance, income is not keeping up with expenses. If this trend continues, the situation will be even worse in 2019. Karen Larson had questions regarding the DNR and WCSWD donations which are not donations but grants for portions of AIS treatments.

Steve also presented current membership information: 95 paying members as of this date.

Jim Kelso gave an update on the Water Quality Fund Drive and we are at 99% of our first year's goal, albeit the first year included 4 months of 2017 for a total of 16 months. It was stressed that because of increased AIS management costs, this money is already being used. Discussions ensued about our ability to keep achieving our goal for the next 4 years, especially with the tax law changes. It was agreed that we need to make our 2019 budget available to our members when we send out our 2019 membership forms and letter. Brenda Bauman also suggested that we utilize Facebook for Fundraising.

The Newsletter draft was reviewed, and all additional comments/corrections are to be delivered to Gale Bergstrom within the next week.

Kevin Bergstrom informed everyone that the Starry Stonewort infestation had been pulled and the chemical treatment completed. He also share the plans for 2019 treatment and management activities which include employing divers for surveying and pulling any infestations of Starry Stonewort.

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Dave Boie gave an update on the Reginal Inspection Pilot:

- Initiative Foundation funding has been extended through the first quarter of 2020
- The program has received 501c3 status under the name of Wright Regional Inspection Coalition. Future checks in 2019 will no longer be made to GLSA.
- An Advisory board has been formed by Mike Zieska who is on the WCSWD board of directors. It
 includes 2 County Commissioners, a DNR representative, law enforcement representatives,
 WCSWD, the assistant Wright County Attorney, Jefferson Bishop, representatives from the WRIP
 governance council, and a representative from the fishing community.
- Five additional lakes have committed to join the program for 2019
- The WRIP Governance Council is putting together a budget and proposal for DNR approval, which usually takes some time.
- Karen Larson asked if signage could be improved so that boaters would be aware of the program before getting to the lakes involved.
- A motion was made by John Sedey to approve PLIA's contribution to the program of up to \$10,000. This was seconded by Steve Miller and subsequently approved.

Jeff Harkman shared a draft of a presentation to be put before the Annandale City Council asking for additional funding. The draft was gone through point by point with some corrections and modifications. Once we have firm expense numbers included in the draft, Jeff and Kevin Bergstrom will take it to the City Manager for review with the intention of presenting it to the City Council at their November 5th meeting.

Other potential presentations were discussed. John Sedey will contact Wright County Parks and Recreation to determine steps needed to approach them for additional funding as well.

A motion was made, seconded and passed, to accept Karen Larson as our newest board member.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 15th at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Boie, Secretary