Pleasant Lake Association Board Meeting Minutes - February 18, 2017

Present: Chair Sedey, Treasurer Harkman, Sec. Peterson, Directors Boie, Mader Miller, Bergstrom, Kelso **Not Present:** Honsey

Treasurer Report: J Harkman reviewed the 2016 financial year. We have collected \$5,000 in dues for this year and hope to collect another \$1,500. Our income tax year filing costs have increased close to \$500 due to additional filing forms. The Water Quality account and the General Fund account total \$29,000.

Membership: At present we have a total of 65 paid members for the 2017 year. Reminders will be sent to past members if memberships are not up-to-date. Last year we reached 95 members from a total of 130 lake residents. Close to 80%.

Water Quality: The largest portion of this topic was reviewing the request from the Greater Lake Sylvia Association for organizational seed money. Over the past years Initiative Foundation legacy money from the state has been used to cover the costs of boat inspections at landings. Last year we received approx. 9 hours per week per landing at a cost of \$19.00 per hour for landing inspections. The 3 lake project is in its early stages and long range goals will be developed through this group. The city of Annandale and the DNR will also be included in this project. The seed money for our Association is \$1,000. Motion by Boie, 2nd by Bergstrom to join in the project at that cost, MSP. In other related discussion we will contact the DNR and ask if they check all lakes for invasive species yearly. We will not be contracting with any company for a lake survey this year.

Minnesota Lakes: Membership to this group who lobbies on behalf of lakes is \$150 per year. Discussion of benefits lead to Motion by Bergstrom, 2nd by Mader to join. MSP

COLA: Clearwater Lake Watershed Dist met with Wright, Stearns & Meeker County along with area lake associations. Projects completed and in progress reviewed along with funding options. Assessments to individual lake residents reviewed and procedures discussed.

Inlet inspections: The bid for the sampling of run-off from the local golf course came in at \$2,450, our part of the total cost. The board discussed the project and decided to not complete the sampling this coming summer. The Watershed Dist will be contacted with this decision and asked to attend our next board meeting to go over options we may have.

Watershed Dist: Funding discussed. Procedures reviewed relating to tax assessment petitions and costs which can be as high as \$2,000 just to apply. Kathy Jonsrud of the Cedar Lake association will be asked to attend our board meeting and share their past project. Bergstrom to contact her.

Lake Restoration: Rep Jeniffer has in the past requested grants from the county and DNR on our behalf. We will contract with Lake Restoration for our weed control project the season.

Boat parade: Chair Honsey was not in attendance. There were 15 entries last year.

4th of July parade: Fire truck will be our entry again this year. If at all possible it might be a good time to educate the public of the Starry Stonewort situation. Ideas shared but more to come.

Zebra muscle: Boie reported on last year's testing sites and will continue the data collection this coming year. Last year he had 7 sites on the lake.

Sand on beach: The DNR must be contacted to determine the amount of sand owners can add each year.

U of Minn. The U will be taking samples from all Mn lakes this summer in search of invasive alga starry stonewort. The sample will be taken Aug 5th. A local coordinator is needed to be trained and then train persons for individual lakes in our area.

E-Mails: Suggestions shared on lake news that would be very beneficial. Dave Boie and Jim Kelso will organize this new effort.

Newsletter: Coming out very soon. Chair Sedey has included an article that will inform homeowners what topics the board is attempting to address.

Annual Meeting and Picnic: Maders will again chair this event. Saturday Aug 19th at the part pavilion . Peterson will contact the city for this date requesting up and down.

Board Meeting: April 8th 9 am at Chair Sedey's home.