

Pleasant Lake Association
Board Meeting
Minutes - December 2, 2015

Present: Chair Sedey, ViceChair Hogberg, Treasurer Harkman, Secretary Peterson, Directors: A Miller, Boie, S Miller, Bergstrom

Not Present: Directors: Mader, Honsey

Survey: Wesley Boll, Environmental Scientist, with Wenck Associates presented the lake survey his company completed in late September of this year. Vegetation samples were taken in June and again in August, There is a large variety of healthy native vegetation. The tools used in sampling range from rakes to high definition sonar. When compared with the 2011 survey there is less curly leaf pondweed on the north side of the lake near the county park area. Navigation might be a reasonable consideration when treating areas in the future. Shoreline management should be included in our yearly water treatment plans. Often times less can be better when treating pondweed by letting native vegetation hold the spread down. The DNR will allow us to treat 20 acres of our 600 acre lake. They impose this rules and regulation so that individuals and associations do no harm to the lakes. Wenck Associates yearly furnish the Clearwater Watershed District report cards on all the lakes in our area that are in the district. Pleasant Lake has been getting good reports over the years with clarity and controlled weed growth. Areas that might be treated in the future are those with high density growth. It is recommended that we repeat this survey in 3 to 5 years unless we discover a noticeable change in clarity or fish population shift. We are reminded that less snow cover and water level can affect weed growth. Phosphorous and chlorophyll levels are consistent with past surveys and fall below concern levels for the DNR. Keeping native plants healthy can help keep Eurasian milfoil from getting a start. Mr. Boll feels that our lake has been exposed to Eurasian by now yet it cannot establish itself due to this. Completely removing curly leaf pondweed from our lake might only lead to another native plant taking over and becoming the next issue. DNR does recommend a chemical treatment over a mechanical process of controlling problem weedy areas. The survey shows an increase in weeds in the Northwest and the city side of the lake from the landing to the Lundberg home. These areas will be the scheduled for treatment next Spring. The inlets on the city side of the lake were discussed and Mr. Boll will report this area of increased vegetation to the Watershed Dist and suggest further exploration. Director Bergstrom will contact Lake Restroation and PLM for treatment bids. These 2 companies are recommended by the DNR, Watershed Dist. and Wenck Associates.

The membership committee will meet 12-30-2015, 9 am at the Sedey home.

The full Board will meet 2-20-16, 9 am at the Sedey home.