

Minutes of the Lida LAKES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (Lida LID)

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday, August 31st, 2021,

6:30 P.M. Lida Township Hall

AGENDA

Board Members Present – Brian Graftaas, Zach Hermann, Robert Nielsen, Sheldon Poss, David Hilber, David Braton

Board Members Absent – Mimsi Weckwerth

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm. Robert Nielsen presiding officer tonight by Board Consensus.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Board introduced themselves and discussed their time on Lida Lakes.

The Agenda was reviewed.

There was a motion made from the floor to add 'Removal of the Current Board Members' to the Agenda. 1st Peterson 2nd Unknown The motion failed 15 to 24.

A motion was made to approve the Agenda as written by Hermann and seconded by Graftnaas. The motion passed.

David Hilber spoke about the proposed LID programs and associated budget items. Several questions from the audience were addressed.

Zach Hermann spoke about the LID's funding mechanism and fund transfers from the Lida POA.

Comments were invited from the Public on the Budget items and received as recorded below, the LID Board's comments follow each concern.

Increasing the Contingency Fund – Addressed through potential excess dollars in Treatment and Survey

Explain Survey – Required to obtain the treatment permit

State Park Contribution – The Board is aware that the State Park does not contribute any funds to the LID at this point.

Riparian Rights, Campground vs CPU – The LID Board would like to address the mismatch whereby the multiple units at the Campground pay into the LID as though they were one parcel.

Curly Leaf Pondweed and Algae Blooms There is concern that treatment of Curly Leaf may not reduce the water quality issues the Lida Lakes have been experiencing. MN DNR has found whole lake herbicide treatments do NOT result in increased water quality. – In consultation with the MN DNR the LID Board will be using targeted Curly Leaf Pondweed treatments to attempt to reduce the algae blooms and nuisance conditions that have been impacting lake recreation.

Mechanical Removal of weeds vs herbicide – The Board will look into switching to mechanical weed removal. Currently the Herbicide Applicator's insurance covers any incidents that might occur.

Plant removal for Bass Harbor – The LID Board will consider plant control in those areas found to have invasive species. In the future additional considerations may apply.

What guarantee is there that the assessment will not increase? – Any increase in the LID's budget of \$5000 or more, a per parcel increase of \$5, would require notification of all affected residents and a vote at the Annual Membership meeting.

Internet Access – In the future the Board will make additional efforts to ensure the Annual Meeting is accessible in an online format.

A motion was made by Jason Erickson to Approve the Proposed 2022 Budget with the modification of changing Curly Leaf Pondweed Treatment to read AIS. The motion was seconded by Joey Albert. The motion passed.

The Board discussed assigning Officer positions. A motion was made by Poss to table the assignment of Officer positions to the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Graftnass. The motion passed.

The Board established Saturday October 2nd as the date of the next Board of Directors meeting. The time will be 6 pm and online access will hopefully be available.

There was additional discussion of resident's concerns about the Lida Lakes and preferences for future programs and efforts. Dredging, education, runoff reduction, representation on the Board by beaches, and water level control were all topics. The Board expressed their appreciation of the efforts by Beach Captains and the POA and hoped everyone would continue to maintain involvement.

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting made by Pete Presko and seconded by Jason Erickson. The motion passed.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:49 pm.