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UNAPPROVED Minutes
Hess Lake Improvement Board
July 13, 2020
10:00 A.M.

Board Members Present: Bart Calvi, Dale Twing, Richard Bosowski, Ken DeLaat

Board Members Absent: None

Also Present: Erick Elgin-MSU Extension, Tony Groves-Progressive AE, Jessica Pieri-Newaygo County Deputy Drain Commissioner, Several Residents of Hess Lake

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Twing

2. Agenda:

Motion by DeLaat, seconded by Twing to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

3. Approval of Minutes of 5/18/2020 Meeting

Motion by Bosowski, seconded by Twing to approve the minutes of the 5/18/2020 meeting. All ayes. Motion Carried.

4. Public Comment: (2 minutes)

Janet Vandenberg spoke about the fish in the lake, mainly catfish and Carp. They've become a problem. There's also a concern about decaying weeds. She wanted to know the plans to take care of that were and if stocking fish in the lake was a possibility.

5. Financial Report:

Motion by DeLatt, seconded by Calvi to approve the Treasurers Report as submitted. All ayes. Motion carried.

6. Old Business:

Tony Groves provided a report overview.

Calvi asked about no wake zone, it isn't reasonable, there was a discussion about it.

Wheeler Drain-A discussion about limiting phosphorus, there was a how to study drain discussion. There was also an Alum treatment discussion on how and where it should be done.

There was a talk about establishing native plants. There is no real way to replant but Tony thinks the seed bed is there and if the water clears up the good plants should regrow. There was also a discussion about people's response to good weeds when they come back.

There was an update on the Muck Pellet Study-Erick Elgin gave a study synopsis. DeLaat asked to have Erick expand on what he meant by residence adjusting to change. Native plants can fill water column and might be a nuisance to boaters.

Bosowski addressed the Algae study started by USGA, they were hazardous algae blooms, but they're being monitored.

7. New Business

There was a conversation started by Calvi about communication with Savin on when spraying is going to take place, residents would like more than a day's notice. They also requested better communication about what chemicals are being used and what the chemical is used for. EGLE guidelines are being followed, Mary Spicer will post. Emails could be sent out if we receive email addresses, a conversation with Savin will be had about it. Erick added that he would be glad to have an extra education forum besides the Healthy Lake Forum. It could be a virtual meeting that's set up.

8. Correspondence/Bills

Twing talked about EGLE and the algae bloom. He discussed the response procedures and who needed to be contacted. USGS was contacted about algae monitoring.

Motion by DeLaat, seconded by Calvi to allow the Drain Office to pay all routine bills without having preapproval. All ayes. Motion carried.

9. Public Comment (2 minutes)

Chad Bishop likes what he is hearing, he also asked about how this gets approved and financed. Twing discussed the process of how the lake board is composed and how it functions.

Chad also asked about fish removal, Tony discussed the different types and the effectiveness of them.

Questions and discussions were had about dredging, a talk about lily pads coming back was had as well.

Bosowski said the lake association had money and would plant fish when the habitat was better.

10. Miscellaneous

A discussion on the need for public hearing and the ability to assess and approve plans. Twing will talk to Stacy about what we can and should do because of COVID.

11. Adjournment

Motion by Bosowski, seconded by Twing to adjourn the meeting. All ayes.
Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Dale E. Twing, Secretary

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-AGENDA-

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Approval of Agenda**
- 3. Approval of the minutes of the 05/18/2020 Meeting Minutes**
- 4. Public Comment-2 minutes**
- 5. Treasurers Report:**
Cash on hand as of 7/8/20 \$65,175.97
- 6. Old Business:**
- 7. New Business:**
- 8. Correspondence/Bills**
- 9. Public Comment – 2 minutes**
- 10. Miscellaneous**
- 11. Adjournment**

**Financial Report for Hess Lake Improvement Board
For 07/13/2020 Meeting**

Revenues and Expenses from 10/01/2019-07/08/2020

REVENUES	
Special Assessments	\$45,000.00
\$45,000 to be collected	
Total Revenues	\$45,000.00

EXPENSES	
Contracted Work	
Progressive	\$10,000.00
Savin Lake Services	\$20,555.00
Freshwater Physicians	\$4,300.00
Postage/Copying	\$12.61
Printing/Publishing	\$39.38
DEQ Permit Fees	\$1,500.00
Utilities	\$667.58
Per Diem	\$225.00
Total Expenses	\$37,299.57

Beginning Balance	\$57,475.54
Revenues	\$45,000.00
Expenses	-\$37,299.57
Total Cash on Hand	\$65,175.97