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August 2, 2019

Mr. Robert Ripstra
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Dear Mr. Ripstra:

Re: Freedom of Information Act FOIA #19-097B
Granted

Newaygo County received your Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") request dated August 1, 2019.

1. May 13, 2019 Hess Lake Board Approved Meeting Minutes

The County has granted your request.

2. July 15, 2019 Hess Lake Board Meeting Agenda & Draft Copy of Meeting Minutes and handouts

The County has granted your request.

The County has determined that the total cost of processing and finalizing this request is \$ 10.06. (See attached Detailed Itemization Sheet.) The County estimates that it will provide the documents to you within 5 business days of receiving the fee.

Since your request has been denied in part, you have the right to (1) submit to the head of the public body a written appeal that specifically states the word "appeal" and identifies the reason or reasons for the reversal of the disclosure denial or (2) seek judicial review of this decision, as stated in Section 10 of the Michigan Freedom of Information Act, MCL 15.240 (see attachment). Further, you have the right to seek attorney fees and damages as provided in Section 10 (see attachment) if the court determines that the County has not complied with this section and orders disclosure of all or a portion of the public record.

Please be advised that the County's FOIA Policies and Procedures and written summary are available on the County's website at: www.countyofnewaygo.com.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debra L. Berger".

Debra L. Berger
Administration Office Manager/FOIA Coordinator (Designee)

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Meeting Minutes
Hess Lake Improvement Board
Organizational Meeting
May 13, 2019
10:00 A.M.

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Board Members Present: Rosen, Twing, Lipner, Bosowski, DeLaat

Board Members Absent: None

Also Present: Jessica Pieri-Drain Office, Tony Grove-Progressive AE, Matt Novotny- Savin Lake Services, Blake Pierce, Shelly Pierce, Bart Calvi, Nancy Calvi, Betty Pennington

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Rosen
2. Election of Officers

Pieri took nominations for Chairman of Hess Lake Improvement Board

-Twing made a motion to keep officers same as last year, seconded by Lipner. No other nominations were brought forth. All ayes. Motion carried.

1. Chairperson-Rosen
2. Vice Chairperson- Lipner
3. Secretary- Twing

3. Agenda:

Motion by Lipner, seconded by Bosowski to approve the agenda. All ayes.
Motion carried.

4. Approval of Minutes of 09/17/2018 Meeting

Motion by DeLaat, seconded by Lipner to approve the minutes of the 09/17/2018 meeting. All ayes. Motion Carried.

5. Public Comment: (2 minutes)

Blake Pierce questioned the aeration in general and expressed his concern about the noise. It was discussed, Matt from Savin was going with Bosowski after the meeting to investigate and try to remedy the situation.

6. Financial Report:

Motion by Bosowski, seconded by DeLaat to approve Treasurers Report as submitted. All ayes. Motion carried.

7. Old Business:

- A. Matt from Savin reported there was approximately 10 to 12 acres of Milfoil. The aeration permit rules and the aeration in general were discussed. Also discussed was the difficulty in measuring the muck and what has been tried. The topic of looking into some buoys to put in to get better readings was also discussed.
- B. Tony Groves gave an update on the things they were studying as part of Progressive's contract and that they would do it in two years rather than three. He also stated that Progressive AE would be flexible with payment requirements. We discussed aspects with the thought that we would look into a fish study from Dr. Jude to help us figure out how to best deal with carp and the possibility of doing a fish kill. A lengthy discussion was had about some of the issues with bad information being disseminated and continued need for better communication, much of this having to do with Wheeler Drain.

Motion by Lipner, seconded by Twing to NOT use muck pellets this year. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Bosowski, seconded by Lipner to continue with using aeration. All ayes. Motion carried.

8. New Business:

- A. A brief discussion was had about the EcoHarvester and the possibility of Hess Lake utilizing it, it was determined that it's not something for Hess Lake to use.
- B. A discussion was had on FOIA requests and how information is to be handled. Everything is to go through Deb in the Administration office.

9. Correspondence/Bills

Motion by Lipner, seconded by Bosowski to approve the Newaygo County Drain Office to pay all routine bills. All ayes. Motion carried.

10. Public Comment (2 minutes)

A general summation of where we are headed and things that we need to communicate was discussed.

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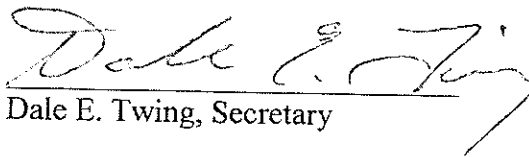
11. Miscellaneous

Next meeting is July 15th, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

12. Adjournment

Motion by Lipner, seconded by DeLaat to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:28 a.m.


Dale E. Twing, Secretary