

Minutes
Ida Lake Association
Board of Directors Meeting
Ida Township Hall
September 28, 2019

Members Present

President – Elaine Greer	Vice President – David Geddes
Treasurer – Mike Kleve	Secretary – Pamela Phillips
District 1 – Wes Smith, Jerry McClure	District 10 – Amy Sunderland
District 2 –	District 11 – Bob Reed, Dave Murphy
District 3 – Jim Phillips	District 12 –
District 4 –	District 13 –
District 5 –	District 14 – Elke Richards, Jim Conn
District 6 –	District 15 –
District 7 – Duane Doucette	District 16 – John Dahl, Cliff Drenttel
District 8 – Bud Nielsen	District 17 –
District 9 – Andy Lopez, Dian Lopez	District 18 –
Newsletter -	Past President – Dick Sudmeier, Jeff Johnson

President Elaine Greer called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Meeting Agenda Andy Lopez moved to approve the agenda. Jim Phillips seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Secretary's Report Jim Conn moved to approve the minutes. Jim Phillips seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report as of September 26, 2019.

Total cash assets of \$106,205.

Membership dues paid so far in 2019: \$1,000, 457 memberships, up 24 compared to same period in 2018.

There is \$10,945.36 available for walleye stocking. We received a check from Leaf Valley for \$2500 for walleye stocking – they want a receipt. That brings total available to \$13,445.36.

Bills to be paid:

- No outstanding bills

Open commitments:

- Ditch 23 project \$
- Fish Stocking \$16,000

Jeff Johnson moved to pay open bills and approve the Treasurer's report. Dave Murphy seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Old Business

Ditch 23: Jerry Hagenmiller submitted a grant application for the work following a recommendation from the engineer for a ditch across north end for \$700,000. Will hear an answer from the state in December. A couple of small projects will be done either this fall or this spring when the farmers get the crops out. We have no financial commitment at this point. 25% has to come from somewhere else – maybe the county, Soil & Water, or ILA may be asked to contribute something, but we don't have to.

Election Results: Andy Lopez moved to approve the slate of Directors and Officers voted on at the August general meeting. Dian Lopez seconded the motion. Motion approved. We added Lee Katzmarek as a District 8 Director. We will send an email to the districts who don't have directors to find someone. Those districts with one director will get a different director and the other director will knock on doors.

Dave Geddes was asked to be Vice President. He agreed. Dian Lopez moved to approve the appointment. Dick Sudmeier seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Fish Survey/Stocking:

We have verbally committed \$16,000 for this year and next year. We normally stock in the fall. An extra \$2600 would need to come from the general fund. Some concern was expressed for the amount of money we're spending compared to the value since it doesn't seem to be helping much. DNR doesn't have the answers either. We stock fingerlings – fry just get eaten. Cost is by the pound. We get 1000 pounds; there are about 10 fingerlings per pound. Jeff Johnson moved to obtain the extra \$2600 from the general fund. Jim Phillips seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Jeff Johnson volunteered to head up a fish committee, noting that the ILA mission is to preserve and protect the serenity and quality, and to organize and educate. [The mission of the Ida Lake Association is to preserve and protect the serenity, quality, and natural beauty of Lake Ida. In addition, it is our purpose to organize and educate all those concerned with Lake Ida, including lakeshore owners, area residents, and visitors. We acknowledge our role as caretakers and propose to work as one to accomplish our responsibility to water and the land.] Jeff suggested we fulfill our 2 year verbal commitment for stocking walleye, and have a committee to figure out how we want to proceed in the future. Start thinking about it now so we're ready to make a decision later.

AIS Report:

ILA has to send a letter to homeowners to opt out of Curly Leaf Pondweed treatment. It needs to be sent in the fall. The survey will be done in the spring, and treatment will be done soon afterwards. A grant pays for about 75% of it. Dick Sudmeier will help because of the hoops we have to jump through with the County for permits, etc.

New Business

Directory Update: A directory committee has been established (Tina Linstrand, Betty Cichy-Anderson, and Lynette Dempsey). The last printed directory is 5 years old. They will send out letters to get updated information.

Pilgrim Point Update: Bud Nielsen spoke with Senator Engebritsen about legacy money – Bud also called the Trust for Public Land; they buy properties and give land to local governments to use to protect the land. Brad Bonk took a developer out to the property to get a valuation. He submitted it and it was rejected. The county thinks if the sellers can't get their price, they will eventually come down. They want to wait and see. The Trust said this is the type of project they are interested in. They don't want to give property to a public entity if they turn around and develop it. They hold monthly meetings to discuss the situation, and it was discussed favorably. ILA could form an ad hoc committee to monitor the Pilgrim Point situation and dissolve it when the property is finally sold. Elke Richards wants to be on the committee. Jeff Johnson moved to form a committee to bring pressure to bear on the county commissioners. Dick Sudmeier seconded the motion. Motion approved. (Elke Richards and Bud Nielsen agreed to be on the committee.)

Fall Cleanup: The west side of Co Rd 34 hasn't been mowed yet. Someone will call the county highway department. We will plan for cleanup on October 5th at 9:00 a.m. We need volunteers. Dick Sudmeier will pick up vests on Friday from the highway department.

DCLA meeting – several were there and Dave Rush mentioned several speakers who could come and speak about care of the lake. Who might we want for our spring meeting? We may want to push the idea of a buffer zone up to the lake. Dave Rush has a shoreline scoring system. We could maybe get a takeaway flier. Dave Geddes will talk to Dave Rush and find a speaker. Soil and Water has grant money for shoreline restoration – they will give 75%.

Next Directors Board Meeting: Saturday, April 25th, 9:00am.

Adjourn: Andy Lopez moved to adjourn the meeting. Jeff Johnson seconded the motion. Motion passed, meeting was adjourned at 10:13 a.m.

[Noted Update to minutes approved on 4/25/2020 by ILA board –Jeff Johnson is no longer the past president as of the last meeting when Dick Sudmeier became past president and is therefore no longer an at-large board member and cannot make motions, second motions, or vote at the board meetings. On 4/25/2020, the board voted to accept the motions that were voted on at the April meeting since generally there was more than one person offering to make the motion, since we had valid seconds to the motions, and since we had more than a majority voting to approve the motions.]

Respectively submitted,
Pamela Phillips, ILA Secretary