

COCOLALLA LAKE ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2006
7:00 PM
COMMUNITY CLUB HOUSE

(The next Board Meeting will be September 19, 2006 at 7:00 PM based on availability of Club House.)

ATTENDEES

Chuck Gladish
Herman Collins
Cary Poston
Max Birdsell
Barb Weatherly
Glen Weatherly
Sonia Gladish
Shelley Vincent
Fred Vincent
Dal VanderMeer
Teri McGrath

INTRODUCTIONS

Max Birdsell was introduced to everyone. Max was the representative for the Land Use Committee.

MINUTES

Motion was made by Fred Vincent to accept the minutes of the July 11, 2006 meeting. The motion was seconded by Glen Weatherly. Motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT

Glen Weatherly, Treasurer, gave treasury report

Checking account.....	\$2077.91
CD at 4.60%.....	<u>\$2590.19</u>
	\$4668.10
Management Fund.....	\$18,821.35
90 day CD at 4.50%.....	<u>\$20,000.00</u>
	\$38,821.35

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Sonia Gladish Membership Chairman, gave membership report
111-2006 paid members

NEWSLETTER REPORT

Glen Weatherly reported that 60 newsletters had been emailed and 100 had been mailed. There was a discussion; some people didn't think they had received the newsletter in the mail so Glen will check it out.

WATER TEST AND MILFOIL TREATMENT REPORT

Cary Poston Lake Management Chairman gave the Water report. There are two different tests being conducted at this time. The testing from CVMP [Citizens Volunteer Monitoring Program] and Dissolved Oxygen readings are being taken twice a week as required for the milfoil treatment.

The levels are typical for this time of year. The oxygen levels are lowest at the outlet bridge.

The phosphorus and Chlorophyll levels are 2 to 3 times greater at Westmond creek than the other streams that feed the lake.

Cary brought some current pictures of the milfoil and the milfoil was obviously failing!

COMMITTEE REPORTS

LAND USE COMMITTEE

- **Members:** Rose Chaney (Temporary Chairman) Max Birdsell, Kevin Hatcher, Jim Cooper (Max Birdsell represented Land Use Committee at the meeting.)
- **Objectives:**
 - Reduce Pollutants coming into Cocolalla Lake from Watershed and Waterfront Properties
 - Identify problems and the extent of their effect on the lake.
 - Explore funding sources that may be available to remedy the identified problems
- **Specific Goals:**

(Ask for notification by county of any hearings on land use issues. Determine if those land use issues affect Cocolalla Lake and if they do have a representative attend the hearing.)

 1. Explore methods of preventing degradation of stream banks that enter Cocolalla Lake.
 - Fencing domestic animals back from stream banks
 - Hardening domestic animal crossings of the streams
 - Involve landowners who have fenced their stream banks in sharing their success stories with other land owners
 - Seek advise and assistance from agencies that are concerned with water quality in the watershed; i.e. Idaho Department of Lands, IDEQ and Department of Fish and Game
 - Study the feasibility of establishing filtering areas near the mouth of Upper Cocolalla Creek and Fish Creek
 - Identify funding sources
 2. County Road sediment abatement needs
 - Observe and record roadway sediment problem

- Obtain and study Bonner County Road and Bridge long and short term plan for roads in the Cocolalla Lake watershed area
 - Explore possible solutions of hard surfacing and storm water management swales on older roads in the area
 - Identify funding sources
3. Non conforming septic drain fields near the lake
- Long term – Ideal solution—forming sewer district
 - Medium term – Study the feasibility of obtaining easements for drain fields away from lake for owners with non-conforming septic systems
 - Check wit IDEQ about alternatives to drain fields for grandfathered homes with nonconforming septic systems.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

- **Members:** Fred Vincent (Temporary Chairman), Dal VanderMeer, Glen Weatherly, Ron Muskopf and John Trana
- **Objectives:**
Continue to keep Management fund growing.
Help other committees with funding
- **Goals:**
 1. Collect Pledges
 2. Board approve funding for Algae testing and software for weather station
 3. \$5000.00 of Pledge money was specific for Blue Green Algae research and treatment
 4. Resume talks with Harry Gibbons.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Sonia Gladish Temporary Chairman

- **Members;** Sonia Gladish (Temporary Chairman), Nancy Cambron, Phyllis Mott
- **Goals:** Seek new members by keeping eyes and ears open.
- **Objectives:** Sending out letters to all lakefront homeowners.

LAKE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

- **Members;** Cary Poston (Temporary Chairman), Lindy Horn, Jim Vandemark, Dave Wallace, Jana Wallace. Possibly Dale Shultz and Vicky Pfeifer.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

- **Members:** Teri McGrath (Temporary Chairman), Herman Collins, Linda Muskopf Nancy Cambron, Jan Herman, Beth Martin. (Possibly Dale and Barbara Schultz)
- **Committee Report:** Six members of the committee attended a ‘Train the Trainer’ Seminar in Sandpoint on July 29th conducted by the Water and Soil Conservation

district. This was to train us to go into the watershed and help homeowners assess their property using the Lake*a*Syst program.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Shelley Vincent Temporary Chairman

- **Members:** Shelley Vincent , Chairman, and Linda Muskopf
- **Committee Report:** The committee has a meeting with Senator Shawn Keogh, Matt Voile and George Eskridge.
Shelley has been invited to come and speak during the legislative session!

STREAMWALK

Cary has a meeting on Fri. with Glen Rothrock and Glen Pettit to discuss conducting an abbreviated streamwalk. We are running out of certified streamwalkers and DEQ won't accept the results of the streamwalk if the tests aren't conducted by certified streamwalkers.

There was an in depth discussion about the pros and cons of dropping the chemistry portion of streamwalk.

Including children in the streamwalk was discussed as an educational tool.

NEW BUISNESS

1. **Weeds cut and left in lake:** Shelley had a report that someone was cutting weeds and leaving them in the lake. She contacted Doug and was advised that the situation is considered a 'nuisance' and is a 'neighbor issue'.
2. **Boat Ramp:** Priest Lake- Dave Klutz and Eric Anderson reported that Priest Lake has a very small infestation of Eurasian Milfoil next to the boat ramp and they were able to immediately shut down the ramp. Eric Anderson will tour our ramp. He is instrumental in Adopt a Ramp and is also trying to help with grants for a boat wash. Glen has a meeting with Eric to discuss a grant.
3. **No Wake Zone Law Violations:** There have been numerous complaints of boats and jet skis coming in to close to the shore. The boating laws are 200 feet from shore is a 'NO WAKE ZONE'. Bonner County Sheriff Water Patrol is the enforcer of the law.

Motion:

Teri McGrath moved that the CLA contact the Water Patrol to see if they will provide signs to notify boaters and Jet Ski users of the 200 ft. law.

The motion was seconded by Cary Poston. The motion carried.

(Shelley will contact Carry Kelley to investigate.)

4. **Possible Change of CLA Board meeting date to 3rd week of month:**

After discussion, it was agreed to postpone this decision until the September meeting.

Motion:

It was moved by Cary Poston that the September meeting be changed to the 3rd Tuesday, (September 19th) based on the availability of the Club House meeting site. Fred Vincent seconded the motion. The motion carried.

(Herman Collins will check on the availability of the Club House.)

5. **Letter to the Editor:** Chairman Gladish read a proposed LETTER TO THE EDITOR from Cocolalla Lake Association thanking all the people that helped the CLA with the milfoil treatment.

Motion: Cary Poston moved that the letter be sent as written to the Bonner County Daily Bee and the Spokesman Review. The motion was seconded by Herman Collins. The motion carried.

6. **Lake Surface Water Level**

A. Measurement at Loop Road Bridge: The “comparative” Water Level August Measurement was 4.8 feet [approximation because the device is bent at 5 feet]

B. Measurement at 265 N. Terrace Drive: The New “Comparative” Water Level Measuring Device “comparative” water level August Measurement is 0.0 feet.

(This water level measuring device ranges from 0.0 feet to 4.0 feet. The differences between the two measuring gauges need to be noted.)

C. Herman Collins presented receipts for one new measuring device which he installed.

ADJOURNMENT: At 9:00PM Cary Poston moved that the meeting be adjourned. Fred Vincent seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Teri McGrath
Acting Secretary