

Minutes for CLA-BOD Thursday, July 28, 2011

The Next CLA-BOD meeting will be held Thursday, August 25, 2011, at the Cocolalla Community Club House at 7:00 PM.

Board Members Present:

Chuck Gladish –President
Fred Vincent – Vice-President
Sonia Gladish – Secretary
Cinda Crow – Treasurer

Janet Conlin – BOD member at large
Dave Crow – BOD member at Large
Cary Poston – BOD member at large
Bonnie Anderson – BOD member at large

CLA Members Present:

Norm Anderson
Herman Collins

Shelley Vincent

Guests:

Alton Howell – President –Bonner County Farm Bureau
Erin Mader – ISDA Associate Plant Manager

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chuck.

- Alton Howell gave a presentation on best farm management practices as they are being applied to his cattle ranch on Black Tail Road. He and his wife have been ranchers for over 30 years and have a very high regard for proper management of water drainage. They have reduced the contaminated runoff from their ranch into Cocolalla Creek to the point that it is nearly undetectable. They have found that applying necessary fertilizer after the surface has frozen reduces the phosphorous contamination in the creek. It also provides superior fertilization to the soil. Also they have fenced the creeks and water sources on their property to keep the cattle out and have provided a settling pond which clears the water to a great extent before it reaches the creek. Manure is kept on dry ground and provides good natural fertilization to the ground.

These efforts have been beneficial to Cocolalla Lake and are a very good example of how these resources can be maintained in good condition

1. It was moved by Fred and seconded by Janet to approve the minutes of the June Annual CLA meeting as they were sent to the members by e-mail. The motion passed.
2. Treasurers Report - Cinda Crow - See the attachment for the current balance sheet. In the future, we will have a report which shows the income and disbursements on a monthly basis.

We have been approved for an additional grant in the amount of approximately \$18,000 from the ISDA to treat the recurrence of EWM in the Lake in August 2011. This treatment program will be reported later in these minutes

3. Membership Report – Sonia

There are presently 88 currently paid members in the CLA. We are slightly less in total paid membership from last year. It would be good to encourage your friends and neighbors who enjoy the lake to help support the CLA.

4. Milfoil Committee Report – Cary

Cary reported that there will be a total of approximately 45 acres of Eurasian Water Milfoil to be treated this year. Originally we expected to have a total of 30 acres to be treated but an additional 15 acres were discovered in the spring surveys this year. The Idaho State Department of Agriculture has agreed to an amended grant to cover this extra cost. It is clear that this will be an on-going project and the EWM cannot be total eliminated and forgotten. Lakeland Restoration Services has agreed to do the treatment during the week of August 22, 2011. The notice of treatment has been sent by certified mail to all lakefront property owners and has also been sent out to CLA members by e-mail. The restrictions on lake water use are minor. Basically there is a 24 hour quarantine on swimming and water used for irrigation or drinking should not be used until the residual herbicide has been reduced to a minimum level. This will be reported on the Lakeland Restoration Services website www.lakelandrs.com as soon as the assay results are available. Also if you have questions or concerns about the treatment and testing results, call 1-877-273-6674. Signs will be posted near the treatment areas.

The earlier scheduled treatment for July 2011 was not done due to the unexpected changes in the notification requirement to lake users. It should also be noticed that many of the signs which were posted prior to the earlier scheduled treatment were vandalized and destroyed. This increases our cost and is also a danger to the public. If you should witness this please let me or another board member know. New signs will be posted during the week prior to the treatment.

We expect to do a treatment for the Curly Leaf Pond Weed late next spring or early in the summer. It needs to be treated early for best effectiveness.

5. **PLEASE NOTE:** It has come to our attention that with the increased summer boat traffic, boaters are sometimes careless about abiding with the Bonner County regulations regarding speed and wake within the proximity of other boats, people in the water and docks. There has been wake damage to docks on the western shoreline. The Bonner County Sheriff's office has agreed to provide us

with signs emphasizing these regulations. The signs are on heavy yellow cardboard and measure approximately 1 foot by 1 ½ foot. We have a limited number of these signs but can get more. If you would like to place one on your dock please let me know or contact Lt. Cary Kelly at the Bonner County Sheriff's office at (208) 263-8417 or by e-mail at: ckelly@bonnerso.org . The sheriff's office is located at: 4001 N. Boyer Rd., Sandpoint, ID 83864.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Sonia Gladish
Secretary, Cocolalla Lake Association