

Minutes for CLA-BOD Thursday, April 26, 2012

The Next CLA-BOD meeting will be held Thursday, May 24, 2012 at the Cocolalla Community Club House at 7:00 PM.

Board Members Present:

Chuck Gladish –President	Bonnie Anderson – BOD member at large
Fred Vincent – Vice President	Dave Crow – BOD member at large
Sonia Gladish – Secretary	Vern Newby – BOD member at large

CLA Members Present:

Norm Anderson	Ron Muskopf
Kristine Newby	Linda Muskopf
Larry Erickson	Rich Beck

Guests:

Bob Howard – Director Bonner County Emergency Management
Robert Webber – Chief Sagle Fire District
Dave Klutz – Lakeland Restoration Services, LLC
John Selby – Cygnet Enterprises NW

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

- Bob Howard, Bonner County Emergency Management Director told us that there is going to be work done on the bridge at the Cocolalla Creek outlet. This is to strengthen the bridge. It will necessitate having one way traffic over that portion of The Cocolalla Loop Road. It is hoped that the traffic restriction should not be for more than a couple of weeks. Also he said that the washout on the south end of the loop road will be repaired with a large structural culvert and fill. Once the work is started, it should not take more than a week to do the job but the starting date has not been set yet.

GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

- Secretary’s Report – Sonia Gladish
It was moved by Bonnie and seconded by Fred that the March 22, 2012 minutes be approved as reported to members by e-mail. The motion passed.
- Membership report – Sonia Gladish
There are 89 paid members as of this date.
- Treasurers Report – Dave Crow for Cinda Crow
See attachment.

April dues payments in the amount of \$190.00 have been deposited in the CLA Checking account in addition to the \$35,315.58 shown in the account.

New Business –

- Bob Howard and Sagle Fire District Chief presented a very informative “Firewise” program for residents. Besides protection of your home and property, the preservation of the lake from the disastrous effects of a forest fire cannot be over emphasized. Fire debris is a very serious pollutant in the lake. The Sagle Fire Department has a program for training fire fighters. There is no cost to the individuals or the CLA to participate in this program and we are encouraged to do so. Volunteers are needed. Sagle Fire Department has about a 16 minute response time to a fire in the district and they can provide 10,000 gallons of water for the first response. Keep in mind that it is your responsibility to protect your property as much as possible – clearing flammables from at least a 30 foot area around buildings, etc. Also consider the access to your place and is there adequate space for turnaround? Chief Webber is ready and willing to answer any and all questions regarding fire safety and services. We have a limited number of “Firewise” brochures which give numerous helpful hints on landscaping and construction. These are available to you upon request. Also, call 911 for medical emergencies such as possible heart attack or stroke. Promptly calling for help is very important. The first hour is critical in an emergency medical situation.
- Dave Klutz and John Selby informed us that EWM and Curly Leaf Pond Weed are easier to treat than some other invasive species. The effects in the use of the 2,4-D product “Navigate” is often not immediately evident and it may take some time before a decrease in the weed is observed. That is likely the case in our fall application and we expect to see a reduction in the weeds in the surveys to be made this spring.
- So far this year many boats which were inspected at the Idaho State operated inspection stations have had Zebra and Quagga Mussels on them. At least 25 contaminated boats have been discovered so far. Our inspection station at Sportsman Access will be operating in May. There is no charge for an inspection and cleaning of your watercraft and it is very important that you have this done before it is put into the lake. A significant number of the inspected vessels that were contaminated came from the Lake Mead, Nevada area.

There was a discussion on how we can further our efforts to keep invasive species out of our lake One suggestion was to publicize in the form of a brochure how much money and time we have spent since the Cocolalla Lake Association was formed in 1986 to keep the lake clean. This would include grants, association dues and donations, and not to forget the volunteer hours

spent in this effort. These efforts have been very successful and we are now used as an example of what can be done with good organization and community support.

Old Business –

- Minimum lake level legislation – The minimum lake level legislation committee of Herman Collins, Fred Vincent Bonnie Anderson and Janet Conlin will be pursuing further action on having a minimum lake level established by the Idaho State Department of Water Resources and the Idaho State Legislature. They hope to have more information on this at the May, 2012 meeting.
- The Annual Membership meeting will be held on June 21, 2012. This will involve election of officers. The nominating committee will have a list of nominees at the May 2012 meeting. This will be for a new President (since Chuck has served for 8 years) and Vice-President. Fred Vincent has agreed to be nominated for president and we will need nominations for vice president. Sonia has agreed to take secretary for one more year until June 2013. Our next CLA-BOD meeting will be held at 7:00 PM at the Community Club on May 24, 2012
- Being no further business, the motion to adjourn at 8:30PM was made by Bonnie and seconded by Fred. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sonia Gladish Secretary