

Minutes for Cocolalla Lake Association Meeting Thursday, May 25th, 2017

The Next CLA BOD meeting which is The June Annual Meeting and Board/Officer Elections will be Thursday, June 22, 2017 at Cocolalla Community Club Course at 7PM.

Board Members Present:

Fred Vincent -President
Vern Newby-Vice President
Cinda Bennett-Treasurer/Membership
Kathie McGonigle-Secretary
Janet Conlin
Dale Sprecher
Cary Poston

CLA Members:

Herman Collins
Susan Whitehead
Jim Whitehead

Guests: Tom Herron, Regional Water Quality Program Manager IDEQ

- The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by Fred Vincent.
- It was moved by Janet Conlin that the April 28th, 2017 meeting minutes as sent out by e-mail be approved. Cinda Bennett 2nd and the motion passed.
- Cinda Bennett gave the treasurer's report which is attached to these minutes.
- Cinda Bennett gave the membership report. We now have 73 members, 1 renewal this past month which brings the membership dues collected to \$2,365.00.

Cinda brought up that we had received a letter from Liberty Mutual who covers both our general liability and director indemnification policies. They will no longer be offering those type policies in Idaho and will be moving us to another carrier within their family of companies. The terms and premiums may change. We will revisit this when more information is received. At this time only our general liability insurance is affected.

New Business:

- May water quality test results: Tom Herron and Janet Conlin reported there is good water quality. There was 4.5 meters of clear water. The oxygen level is 4.8 MGL and the temperature at the top was 71 degrees.
- Milfoil treatment update: Fred met with Adam Schroeder and Bruce Davis, both with Idaho Department of Agriculture. Adam will be our contact this year in place of Tom Woolf, who resigned to take a new position with the State of Montana, for our Invasive species treatments. We have not been advised of any change for currently scheduled milfoil treatment. It will be at the south end of the lake after July 4th approximately a 1/4 mile from that end. There is no news yet on curly leaf. Our new applicator will be Aqua Technics. Hopefully, they will reach out soon and confirm our treatment date. Bruce Davis oversees the boat inspection personnel in our area. He was agreeable to our proposal for IDA to hire a person to replace Isabel. We discussed investigating whether or not we might have someone within our CLA membership that would be willing to go through the IDA training session and become an IDA inspector working at our boat launch. The other point we discussed was to try get authorization for 16-20 working hours per week so that we could have flexibility as to the work schedule based on weather, expected boat traffic and holiday's. Please see the Boat Launch paragraph below
- June Annual Meeting and Board/Officer Elections: Cinda Bennett and Cary Poston will volunteer for another term on the board. We will be accepting board nominations at this time. It is a worthwhile cause that is making a difference to our Lake. Please consider volunteering.
- Boat Launch Update: Good news! Bob Brimmer, a new CLA member as of last year, agreed to go through the IDA training and as of June 1st became a IDA employee scheduled to work approx about 20 hours per week as Lake Cocolalla's Lake Host. However as of the meeting it was brought up Bob Brimmer had not been fully vetted by IDA, so a motion was presented to pay him out of the CLA budget to be able to have a lake host for the holiday weekend. Cary Poston moved to pay him \$12.00 per hour Saturday, Sunday and Monday for 6 hours per day. Vern Newby 2nd and all approved. Bob inspected approx 40 boats during those 3 days!!
- May Water Level: Herman Collins reported the water level was at 5.56 when measured 5/25/17. Last years measurement at this approximate time was 4.9 so we are still higher than the previous year.
- There was no old Business
- **Other Business: There were several items brought up.**

- Eat Six LLC/Custom 1031 purchased and is developing the Findlay property at the south end of the lake. They have been clearing the land up to the shoreline, and, according to a memo issued by IDEQ appears to be in violation of Water Quality Management, and are not using best management practices. Tom Herron's department has sent a letter to the owner and developer with their concerns

Fred will compose a letter on our behalf and send out to our for board approval. A letter will also be sent to the county to assure that all licenses and permits were properly issued for the development.

- It was brought up that a political posting was forwarded to all of our e-mail members through one of Fred's postings. We will be making an amendment to our By-Laws that our member e-mail list should not be used for anything but lake and water related issues.
- There was a question from the floor about the cause of the train derailment. Fred had sent out an email to Bob Howard of Bonner County Emergency Management shortly after the incident asking for any information as to what may have caused the derailment but had not gotten a response as of the meeting. He will follow up with that.
- It was reported to us that an automobile motor is in the lake north of the Sandy Beach Property. While the water is still clear we will try to locate and check it out.
- Another contact for treatments around docks and your personal lake property is Lakeland Restoration, Dave Kluttz at 208-597-6601.
- There being no further business Dale Sprecher moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30PM Cary Boston 2nd the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathie McGonigle, Secretary