Minutes for Cocolalla Lake Association Board of Directors – Annual June Board Meeting July 27th, 2017

The Next CLA- BOD meeting will be held Thursday, August 24th, 2017 at the Cocolalla Community Center at 7:00 PM.

Board Members Present:

Fred Vincent – President Vern Newby - Vice President Janet Conlin Dale Sprecher Tom Park

CLA Members Present:

Cary Poston

Shelley Vincent Norm and Bonnie Anderson Gary Suppiger

Jim and Susan Whitehead

Jeremy Conlin Chuck and Sonia Gladish

Bob Brimmer

Guests

Amidy Fuson - Lands Resource Specialist Navigable Waters - Department of Lands (IDL)

- Meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by Fred Vincent
- Amidy provided information about permits for docks, water lines, banks, riprap and irrigation systems. She indicated dock permits should be acquired before purchasing a dock, as there are strict guidelines related to dock size and length and permits can require neighboring properties consent depending on dock location to property lines and existing neighboring dock encroachment into water bodies. Of note, Amidy indicated that IDL is now working with several dock builders who will come "salvage" older wood docks. One should check with Fish and Game about the use of their boat ramp in entering or removing docks into the lake. Also, docks coming in through the F&G boat launch will be subject to inspection. Amidy also indicated that IDL is no longer permitting private boat launches where public access is available. Amidy further noted that many of the "water toys" found around the lake, such as, trampolines, etc are subject to permitting by IDL, can't be permanently anchored and need to be removed daily.

- It was moved by Vern Newby that the June 22nd, 2017 Board Meeting minutes as sent out by e-mail be approved. Dale Sprecher 2nd and motion passed
- The Treasurer's report was not available for the meeting but is attached.
- The membership report was not available but is still at 73 members
- Cinda Bennett had indicated to Fred that we did receive a billing for our annual general liability insurance and that it had increased from approximately \$300 to over \$500. Cinda and Fred will investigate other carriers.

New Business:

- The July water quality lab report was not available as of the meeting date. Janet Conlin reported that the water quality report indicated that the lake was still oxygen depleted at the bottom, and the temperature had increased throughout the water column, leaving only a small layer that was good for fish. Cary added that fishing was very poor, except crappy. Tom Herron indicated to Janet that we may be headed to a late season (October?) algae bloom based on the NP ratio.
- Fred Vincent indicated that the Eurasian Water Milfoil treatment is now scheduled for the week of August 7th. Notices have been posted in the treatment area. Fred also sent a copy of the notice to all members prior to the meeting. In that notice there are contact numbers for questions about the treatment or restrictions in the treatment area,
- Jeremy Conlin reported on the status of development on the Findlay (Tim Trimble) property. Permits have been applied for to develop 9 lots. The CLA has contacted Milton Ollerton of Bonner County Planning and zoning to discuss our concerns over the shoreline activity along the water's edge and if it, in, fact complies with Bonner County Code 12-714, Section C. D and E. Fred also resent a picture of the shoreline activity that was taken by by IDEQ. Fred invited Mr. Ollerton to speak to our next BOD meeting, August 24th. Fred will follow up prior to the agenda being sent. Post meeting we (CLA) did receive notice of the development permitting along with other agencies and comments were to be submitted by August 25th.
- Vern newby reported that the water level as of the meeting date was 4.42 which he noted was about 7 feet lower than the high point during the spring flooding, but still slightly higher than previous year.
- Bob Brimmer reported that there have been 150 boats through his inspection station since Memorial Day. Most were properly registered. Some Kayaks and paddleboards were missing invasive stickers. He noted that several boaters had hit what appears to be an anchor barrel for the old F&G dock just beyond the end of the new dock. F&G did send someone to inspect and hopefully remove..

- Vern reported on the Bay Watch meeting he attended. It is a community outreach program focused on Lake Coeur D' Alene for the moment. Vern did note that the CLA has very established practices for lake monitoring and agency information. The hope is to create a database of information that can be shared by and with all lakes in the area.
- Fred Vincent presented the proposed wording for the by-law amendment related to usage of CLA membership information. Vern moved to accept as written, Cary Poston 2nd and all voted in favor. These minutes shall serve as notice of a special meeting to be held in conjunction with the August 24th, 2017 BOD meeting for a general membership vote on the amendment. All members present will be eligible to vote.
- Being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Conlin (for Kathie MCGonigle) Secretary