

Meeting Minutes from Oct 27, 2022 Skogman Lake Improvement District Meeting

Members present were Bill Berg, Jan Hasler, Jen Hunt, and Mark Funfar via Zoom. Members not in attendance were Shari VanAlstine, Myron Lindstrom, Dan Debban, and Jerry Miller.

Agenda:

1. Budget/Cash on hand: \$17,465.87 as of 10/11/2023. No outstanding bills. The cash-on-hand credits occur twice a year when property tax is paid. Mark reported some delay from Isanti County in getting bills paid on time. Jen said she can help in the future to gather receipts and approval from the LID board and bring those items to the county for payment.
2. Water Clarity and lake water level: Clarity was at 5 ft 8 inches end of August. Skogman Lake has improved its water clarity compared to the DNR analysis in 2015. The Lake level is down a bit from normal.
3. Wake Boat usage and reckless boating activity. There haven't been a lot of wake boats on the lake. About three at most at the same time and they have been staying in the middle of the lake. Thank you.
4. Lake Steward program reporting. Is any resident working on lakeshore restorations? None that we know of.
5. Select a new company for AIS treatment and surveys. Some companies to consider are Lake Management, Lake Restoration, and AIS Consulting. ICOLA reported AIS Consulting has a good working relationship with Lake Restoration. After some discussion, Jen proposed we hire Lake Restoration for AIS application and we use AIS Consulting for surveys. Mark seconded the proposal and the board approved it. Contact info for these companies is Chad Handler at chad@lakerestoration.com and Eric Fieldseth at eric@aisconsultingmn.com. Bill will check how the companies will handle owner application of their shorelines. Note: if we get a DNR grant, they require a different survey company from the AIS treatment company.
6. Grant application and MPARS permits. We should apply for a grant to treat the whole lake for EWM. Mark will check with the DNR to see how the process works. The plan is to apply for EWM treatment of the whole lake and skip CLP treatment in 2023.
7. Status of Shoreline Assessment from Isanti SWCD: Todd Kulaf says he will have it done in late November, and submit it to us to define the next steps. Mark mentioned the LID will have to pay SWCD for this assessment but most of it will come from a grant through SWCD.
8. Vice President position is open. Update: Jen has discussed this with Theresa Dolezal, and she agreed to be V.P.
9. Skogman Lake Website: Mark uses WIX to host our website. Renewal of annual fees will come up in January. The fee should be about \$150. Mark will pay the fee and get reimbursed.
10. Other business? Jan and Bill mentioned they noticed more weeds in the lake this year. More clumps of weeds. This is probably due to more EWM in the lake. Mark mentioned that the DNR reduced our proposed EWM treatment acreage in August as

well as our CLP proposed acreage. After LIMNOPRO treated EWM in August, Mark mentioned the weeds disappeared.

11. The ICOLA legislation proposal on shoreline buffer regulation to clear only 35% (once approved) is for new owners, not current owners.
12. Bill proposed we get more involved with the lake owners. Ideas to discuss at the next meeting:
 - At the annual meeting in July, throw a party with food and activities.
 - Do Tie-up-Tuesdays where boats meet at a site on the lake to get to know our neighbors.
 - Do a concert on the lake, anchor boats to listen to the music.

Next LID board meeting February 2023.

Mark will update the Website with this information.

Let me know of errors and omissions.

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D Mark Funfar (soon to be a permanent resident of Skogman Lake)
Skogman LID Secretary & Lake Steward