**TLPOA Board Meeting Minutes**

**December 9, 2023**

**Meeting Called to Order** by President Tom Conquest at 8:30 AM via Zoom.

**Attendees:**

Board Members - Tom Conquest, Pete Stephens, Pat Kish, Judd Wellard, Colin Gibbings, Tim Manganello, John Jackson, Tom Page, Wendy Huston

**Meeting Minutes:**

The Board unanimously approved the minutes from the October 28, 2023 Board Meeting.

**Officer Remarks:**

Wendy confirmed that payments to the State of Michigan for participating in the CLMP program for 2024 were made for both East and West Twin Lakes. Financial statement through the end of November was distributed and reviewed.

**New Business:**

**Historical Society donation request:**

It was moved and seconded to submit a $100 donation to the Lewiston Historical Society consistent with previous year donations. Motion passed unanimously.

**Treasurer Transition:**

Wendy announced that a conference call between her and Colin has been scheduled to complete the transition of Treasurer responsibilities over to Colin beginning January 1. Wendy reported a positive response to the new on-line member registration process with over 25 members taking advantage of the new website feature over the past few weeks. One issue raised was that two of the on-line registrants failed to properly navigate the electronic payment after registering on-line. While Wendy and Tom P have successfully worked through the issue, Tom C agreed to contact Jim from Carrie’s Creation to see if we can have the registration form e-mailed to both the Treasurer as well as the Membership Chairman and to determine if there is another safety mechanism that can be created to ensure payment is properly received after filling out the registration form.

**2024 TLPOA Calendar:**

Tom C issued a draft 2024 TLPOA Calendar with significant dates to the Board and requested members review and let him know if any changes need to be made at this time.

**2024 TLPOA Budget preparation:**

Tom C requested all Board members to submit their expected budget requests to Wendy and Colin so a 2024 draft budget can be created for review at our January 2024 Board meeting.

**New TLPOA Website:**

The new TLPOA website is now active with the same URL as the old site. Wendy reported that we have not yet received an invoice from Carrie’s Creation for all the work done this far but Pete assured the Board that an invoice would be forthcoming.

**Township Zoning Ordinance Changes:**

No Board member has yet heard of any proposed changes to existing township zoning ordinances as suggested by Jeff McDonald, the current Albert Township Zoning Administrator several months back.

**EGLE Testing of East Twin Lake:**

Judd reported on his correspondence with EGLE and their water testing efforts on East Twin Lake this past season. EGLE tested for PFOS at three locations in East Twin Lake plus the Lewiston retention pond. EGLE plans to do additional investigations as well as testing East Twin fish for evidence of PFOS which is consistent with their efforts on other northern Michigan lakes.

**Goose Busters project:**

Pete reported that getting together with Charlton Township officials has been difficult due to infrequent township meetings with limited agendas. He plans to attend the next Charlton Township meeting to get them to approve our TLPOA goose reduction resolution using Goose Busters. This resolution is nearly identical to the one already approved by Albert Township.

**Spicer Group efforts:**

John agreed to contact Spicer to determine if they can test for PFOS in both lakes and in the retention pond in addition to the water quality testing they are already being contracted to conduct.

**Ongoing Activities:**

**Membership**

Tom Page provided the following update on our membership counts:

* 164 Family members
* 135 Stewards
* 6 Donations
* 305 Total Members

**Aeration:**

Tim reported that budgeting for aeration costs in 2024 should be consistent with the 2023 budget.

**EWM:**

Tom C reported that the contract has been signed for PLM Lake & Land Management. In addition to ongoing EWM treatments, PLM will conduct vegetation surveys on both East and West Twin consistent with the surveys conducted in 2022. No Phoslock treatments are planned this year.

**Social Events:**

Pete agreed to contact Johnson Subdivision to see if they would be interested in hosting the Heart of the Summer Party this summer. Pat will include an article in our March newsletter requesting volunteers to host both Heart of the Summer and Wine & Cheese Parties.

**Website Administration:**

The new TLPOA website is up and running. The same URL used for our previous website has been successfully transferred to the new website.

**Newsletter:**

Pat reported the November newsletter has been published and distributed. The next newsletter is scheduled to be published in March 2024.

**Water Quality:**

Nothing new discussed other than that previously reported.

**Go Around:**

On-line TLPOA registration adds an approximate 3% fee. Tom P. suggested we may want to ask members to add on the fee in addition to their dues payment when electronically filing. But all agreed, we should not pursue this until our on-line registration process has a chance to mature.

The next Board meeting is planned for January 27th at 8:30 AM. This will be a Zoom meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:45 AM.