

## Monthly Board Meeting Minutes, September 20, 2022

Via Zoom: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81796139565">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81796139565</a>
4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

**Board Member Attendees:** Ron Meyer, Lloyd Thyen, Tom Kuschel, Jodi Eberhardt, Jim Chamberlin, Barb Courneya, John Forney

**Board Members in Attendance via Zoom:** Darril Wegscheid, Sheila Boldt, Clay Schulte, Jodi Billy, Bob Karls

Other Attendees: Tasha Lauer

(1) Agenda Approval

There was a motion by Barbara Courneya and seconded by Darrel Zenk to approve the 9/20/2022 PRWA Board Meeting agenda. Motion carried. Additions: to vote on management liability insurance, HDT education, 9/24/22 MN lakes and rivers meeting-legislative support.

(2) Approval of Previous Minutes

There was a motion by Tom Kuschel seconded by John Forney, to approve the 8/16/2022 PRWA Monthly Board Meeting minutes. Motion carried.

There was a motion by Ron Meyer seconded by John Forney, to approve the management liability insurance in the amount of \$1035.00 Motion carried.

- (3) Committee Reports
  - Finance: Balance of \$99,957.49
  - Land and Waters: Jodi and Natasha spent time on the loon center stories for The World and NPR. PLA created a map of Pelican lake with additional info and this format may be useful for other lakes.

Website/Facebook

- o Please share events, project updates with Tasha and Sheila
- Land and Ag: Forage council tours were last week. About 20 people showed up.
   Good discussion. Kent Solberg and Cory Borman attended. Isaac the speaker was knowledgeable. Virtual fencing tryout and demo is planned with funding



- Conservation/Enbridge: Barb: county district judge ruled police should protect the people, not the companies. Bob: testified down at the LSOHC on tullibee lakes efforts, ranked #4 of 54 in preliminary scoring, very optimistic about funding. 2<sup>nd</sup> grant to increase efforts on Lakes of Biological Significance (LOBS) efforts. Efforts to look at lakes with natural spawning and protection of these spawning grounds. Teaming with MLT. Preliminary scoring 7<sup>th</sup> out of 54 so again optimistic about funding. Starting July 2023. NWLT received a grant, 1 of 4 projects picked for the state, grant money just came through. DNR loon program is trying to do some protection of selected parcels, one is on Big Trout. Would like to express appreciation for PRWA.

## - Newsletter

- Need articles from the different groups.
- o Please come up with some ideas and send to Sheila Boldt.
- o Bill Brekken and Carrie Ruud are no longer running.
- Sept 24, 2022 meeting on legislative support, at Cragun's Resort at 10am in the Pioneer Room
- O Ask the candidates where they stand on some issues.
- Darrill: may be able to find some open mindedness. Need to get people to think about it,
- Membership
  - Need to increase membership and/or donations with an increase in expenses.
- (4) One Watershed One Plan (1W1P): setting up the next advisory committee in October What are the next steps for the lakes?
- (5) Grassland 2.0: Jim is putting in a lot of grant work, it will be interesting to see if support for our CW Forage Basin efforts and meat processing receive funds.
- (6) ATV Update: DOT wanted to bundle this project with others but lead time issues on materials may not let that happen. Still hoping to get this done this year.
- (7) The Challenge of Climate Change-The Portage Learning Center on October 8, 2022.
- (8) HDT education: you can sign up for the newsletter. Lots of kids programming and other items that may be of interest but each Board member should look at it and decide.



(9) Tax Forfeited Land: land is purchased. Ron has toured with MLT. Ron has contacted the DNR about access to management area but has not heard back. The land is posted as not public tax forfeited land. Over the winter they will do the survey of the land. There is an environmental assessment of the land that needs to be done and the plan is to complete this in the fall.

(10) Board comments

Steve Roe - not here

Jim Brandt – not here

Jim Chamberlin – HDT applied to host We Are Waters exhibit and were chosen to have exhibit in April 2023. We are looking at the outdoor exhibit at the dam. Colorado got 3 inches of snow.

Ron Meyer – hoping to work with the DNR with the land that was tax forfeited.

Tom Kuschel –Carrie Ruud has a tremendous amount of the internal knowledge of the legislature, we should get information from her, contacts would be beneficial.

Kirk Soldner -

Clay Schulte – interested in the trout lake property, impressed by the Loon center. Loon Center is negotiating with Jethro Carpenter. The loon center could own this property.

Jodi Billy - where is Steve Roe?-health is not good.

Jodi Eberhardt – work with Shelly and Laura, we will look at putting that in the newsletter. Mapping the projects in the newsletter is possible with Sheila. Pontoon trip, mapped all old resorts on Ossie. Google story map, tag locations, make stories and make animations. Work with people on the lake, and to care, be a part of something.

Barb Courneya- didn't do much in Crosslake because of the construction. Impressed with Jodi's articles.

Darrill Wegscheid—the group met with Enbridge in Hill city. They are convinced they will not see a leak. Line 67 is the oldest existing line. One issue is there doesn't appear to be anybody internal to Enbridge that is asking tough questions. They maintain that water sampling is not going to happen because it isn't necessary, they will sense it before it gets to the water. The tar sand does not sink and will float in a lake, is what they are saying.

John Forney-WAPOA is water testing 5 times a summer, 43 locations, run by Scott Johnson and AW research lab. Animation of the lakes based on TSI numbers. As of 2 days ago they opened up Crosslake, Hwy 66, but are still doing some work. Needs to be open for Crosslake days this weekend. The projects that have been completed will maintain the economic viability of Crosslake.

Sheila Boldt- glad to be back, working with Shelley Larson and Laura with Great Roots, with shoreline erosion control. Teaming up together. Keeping busy and wants to do the newsletter and Facebook.

Lloyd- getting concerned, Jeff Forester was at the lake assn meeting, we have to engage with the legislators. Annual corn feed, get the lead out, moved out 40 lbs of lead. Articles were in the northland press, forward to Sheila.



Adjourn: 5:30 PM.





## **PRWA 2022 Meeting Schedule**

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month from 4:00 to 6:00 PM Central Time (established 12/29/2020)

January 18 <sup>th</sup>	No Meeting	-
February 15 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 to 6:00 PM	Zoom Meeting
March 15 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 to 6:00 PM	Zoom Meeting
April 19 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 to 6:00 PM	Ideal Corners
May 17 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 to 6:00 PM	Ideal Corners
June 21st	3:00 to 4:00 PM - Annual Meeting	Ideal Corners
	4:00 to 6:00 PM - Regular Board Meeting	
July 19 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 to 6:00 PM	Ideal Corners
August 16 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 to 6:00 PM	Ideal Corners
September 20 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 to 6:00 PM	Ideal Corners
October 18 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 to 6:00 PM	Ideal Corners
November 15 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 to 6:00 PM	Ideal Corners
December 20 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 to 6:00 PM	Ideal Corners

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