Phantom Lakes Management District

August 26, 2021, 7:00 P.M. Meeting Minutes

\*\*\* Time Change to 7PM \*\*\*

Virtual Meeting with audio call in

#### APPROVED

# 1. Call to Order:

Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM by Chairman Joe Graczyk.

# 2. Open Meeting Notice:

The meeting was noticed and posted according to law.

# 3. Board Members Present:

Joe Graczyk, Joe Kirchner, Jake Jagmin, Adam Miller, Dave Dubey, Joanne Tlachac-Hehn. Also present: Dawn Couillard, Steve Verduyn, Mac Hannon, Gary Eastland, Leanne Eastland, Addison Quarpana, Brad Blatnik. Not present: Darlene Johnson

# 4. Open Forum:

Mac Hannon appreciates the harvesting operations but has concerns regarding the bay area near the end of Lake St on lower Phantom. Dawn Couillard advised that Bill Morris was not able to harvest that area the last time he serviced Phantom Lakes due to weather. Further discussion was had on this topic under harvesting report.

# 5. Announcements & Correspondence:

Bethany Simon resigned as the PLMD assistant as of 8-25-2021.

# 6. Fish Stocking:

Steve Verduyn forwarded quotes from vendors for Walleye and Largemouth Bass stocking to board members. Quotes were received from Gollon Bait & Fish Farm, Wisconsin Lake & Pond Resource and Taal Lake Hatchery. Steve Verduyn advised that Gollon was successfully used previously and was lowest cost.

Jake Jagmin made a motion to have Gollon Bait & Fish Farm provide \$5100 budgeted + \$400 donation + \$100 donation for a total of \$5600 of fish with half being Walleye and half being Largemouth Bass to be evenly distributed between Upper and Lower Phantom Lakes. Seconded by Joe Graczyk. Motion carried.

# 7. Secretary's Report:

Jake Jagmin made a motion to approve the meeting minutes created by from 8-26-2021 with an amendment to item 3 to note that Dave Dubey was present. Seconded by Dave Dubey. Motion carried.

# 8. Treasurer's Report:

Jake Jagmin made a motion to issue a check not to exceed \$400 to the "Post Master" for postage to deliver the annual newsletters to residents. Seconded by Joe Graczyk. Motion carried. Joe Graczyk made a motion to approve the Treasurers report as presented and pay the bills. Seconded by Joanne Tlachac-Hehn. Motion carried.

# 9. Harvesting Report:

Harvesting Manager, Dawn Couillard, provided an update. Bill Morris was on the lake again August 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> to harvest the shallow water areas with special equipment as permitted under the harvesting permit and as possible due to water depth and weather conditions. Dawn Couillard mentioned that a large willow tree fell near the harvesting truck during a windstorm; however, no PLMD property was damaged. Town DPW is in the process of cleaning up the downed tree.

Leanne Eastland is concerned that wild rice is spreading in lower Phantom Lake. Jake Jagmin advised that the DNR has previously said wild rice is an indicator of good water quality. PLMD plans to have our aquatic plant survey contractor study this issue and advise on our options in the future.

Joanne Tlachac-Hehn motioned to request Dawn Couillard contacts Bill Morris to harvest areas missed during the August 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> shallow water harvesting with services not to exceed \$1500. Seconded by Joe Graczyk. Motion carried.

# 10. New Harvester:

Bids and equipment from Aquarius Systems and Inland Lake Harvesters were discussed. Inland Lake Harvesters was the low bid.

Brad Blatnik, Addison Quarpana and Dawn Couillard recommended PLMD pursue Aquarius equipment with an emphasis placed on superior service from this vendor.

Adam Miller, Joe Graczyk, Joanne Tlachac-Hehn, Jake Jagmin, Dave Dubey and Joe Kirchner recommended PLMD pursue Inland Lake Harvester equipment with an emphasis placed on lower price and superior build quality.

Joe Graczyk motioned to use costing for the Inland Lake Harvester in our proposed 2022 budget and the PLMD board will recommend a new 7ft harvester to be purchased from Inland Lake Harvesters during the annual meeting. Seconded by Joe Kirchner.

# 11. Assistant Role:

PLMD is looking for an assistant Treasurer/Secretary. Dawn Couillard may know someone who may be interested. Jake Jagmin to try to post job opening on the Clerks Network as recommended by Dave Dubey.

# 12. Lake Survey:

Joanne Tlachac-Hehn provided an update. She will submit the grant pre-application by 9-2-2021.

# 13. 2022 Budget:

General budget discussions were had. Proposed budget was revised to include the new 7ft harvester (and associated grant) with pricing from Inland Lake Harvesters as recommended in item 10.

# 14. Annual Newsletter:

Board members reviewed a draft of the annual newsletter and found a misspelling in "Secretary". Jake Jagmin to correct and submit documents to Central Printing in Delavan by 8-30-2021 to process and mail to residents.

#### 15. Next Meeting:

9-22-2021, 7:00 P.M. Joe Graczyk to print and bring paper ballots.

# 16. Adjournment:

Joe Kirchner made a motion to adjourn at 9:25PM. Jake Jagmin seconded. Motion carried.