

Pickerel/Crane Lake P & R District Commissioners' Meeting Minutes

May 9, 2022 10:00AM

N9397 County Hwy DD, Pickerel, WI

1.) Call to Order at 10:00 AM

2.) Roll Call: Chuck Sleeter, Craig Farah (by phone), Kathy Kupfer, Curt Haga and Dan Stoehr

3.) Old Business

A.) Approve minutes of the March 29, 2022 Commissioners' Meeting:

A motion was made by Dan and seconded by Curt to approve the March 29th Commissioners' meeting minutes. Discussion included making sure that the action items have been completed. Motion carried.

Action item: Chuck will call to invite two lake district members to join the Pickerel Lake Citizens Monitoring and Action Committee

B.) Harvester repairs:

Steve Bailey has completed the repairs and a bill for \$2,000.00 was submitted to Kathy for payment. Craig offered to do some additional repairs once he returns.

C.) LMP Grant:

Kathy reported that she received a check from the Wisconsin DNR for \$5,354.64. The money is to be used for the 2022 removal of Eurasian Milfoil on Crane Lake (as per our Lake Management Plan.) The Lake District will receive the remainder of this 3-year grant (created by Brad Kupfer) in 2024 after all work has been completed. A copy of the final 2021 Pickerel and Crane Lakes Comprehensive Lake Management Plans were handed out to all the board members. In addition, the entire LMP has been posted on our webpage.

4.) New Business

A.) Boat Landings Maintenance Update:

Curt gave a detailed explanation on the history, work completed, and future maintenance of our three Lake District boat landings. He reported that the Forest County Tourism Commission recently awarded the Town of Nashville a \$5,000 grant toward the Pickerel Lake north boat landing and the Town submitted a grant application on March 30, 2022 to the Potawatomi Community Foundation for \$15,000 for both Pickerel Lake north and south boat landings. After discussion, a motion was made by Craig and seconded by Chuck to use budgeted funds of \$12,000 to be equally divided among the 3 boat landings for use in boat landing maintenance projects. The project maintenance will begin this fall on the Pickerel Lake north boat landing.

B.) Lake Conference Update:

Curt Haga attended the Wisconsin Lakes and Rivers Conference in Stevens Point on April 6-8, 2022, reporting on what he had learned and had taken away from the conference. An excellent graphic on "The Value of Shoreland Zoning" was shown to the board. Kathy suggested it should be put on the website.

Action item: Curt will investigate getting permission to use this information on our webpage as well as a link for that purpose. If permission is granted, Kathy will add this to our webpage.

Curt will bring some additional brochures and information to the spring meeting on May 21st.

It was agreed by the board to pay for someone to attend next year's conference, and that he or she be reimbursed for any expenses (as outlined in our Mileage and Per Diem Guidelines), as long as the expenses are approved by the board prior to attending the conference.

Curt also reported that there is an upcoming Forest County Association of Lakes (FCAL) board meeting on Friday, May 20th at 9:30 AM at the Mole Lake Fishery with a 10:30 AM awards presentation followed by a tour. All are welcome to attend.

There will also be a FCAL Fall Forum at Lake Lucerne Association Pavilion on Saturday, August 20, 2022.

C.) Discuss possible winter kill on Pickerel Lake:

Chuck reported that several ice fishermen mentioned to him that they had minnows dying on tip ups indicating low oxygen levels. He asked if there was any fish kill washing up on shore. So far no one has reported any, but it may be too early to tell.

D.) Discuss upcoming Spring Lake District Meeting:

Chuck confirmed who was talking on each topic that will be presented at the spring meeting.

Action Item: Kathy will create a slide show for the spring meeting.

Action Item: All presenters must send Kathy any items they wish to be included in that presentation by Wednesday, May 18th.

- **Chuck, Aeration Update**
- **Chuck, Aquatic Plant Update**
- **Kathy, Wild Rice Update**
- **Brad Kupfer, 2022 Crane Lake Weed Harvesting**
- **Curt, Boat Landing Maintenance**
- **Chuck/Brad, Pickerel and Crane Lakes Citizens Monitoring and Action Committees**

Action Item: Board members meet at 4:00 PM on Friday, May 20th to assist with meeting setup.

Action Item: Dan will create minutes from today's meeting and send to board members to review before meeting on May 21st.

5.) Adjourn:

A motion was made by Curt and seconded by Craig to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 11:03 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Stoehr, Secretary
Pickerel/Crane Lake P&R District

