

Aquatic Invasive Species Committee Meeting

Monday October 10, 2016

6:30 PM at the Barnes Town Office

AGENDA with Minutes

1. Roll call and verification of public notice

Committee Chairman Lee Wiesner called the meeting to order at 6:42. Members present: Sally Pease, Dave Pease, Chris Webb, Ingemar Eckstrom, Gus Gustafson, Susan Jansen. Also present Pamela Toshner, DNR

2. Approve the Agenda

motion made and seconded to approve agenda, motion passed

3. Approve the minutes of the previous meeting

motion made by Sally, approved by Dave, motion passed

4. Communication - Bottom Line News Interview

Allen from Bottom Line News interviewed Tom Krob, Lee, Gus for an article to appear in November issue of the newspaper featuring the BAISS Boat

5. AIS Budget/Grant Balances – Chris

Chris reported that enough volunteer hours were logged. Summary of total hours for each lake reviewed. Note was made that there is a need for volunteer monitors. Need for more efficient ways to sign up calendars – Google Calendars an option. Gene Miller, Town of Barnes web designer, would be able to set up an online calendar for signing up to volunteer at a landing. Need to look at pairing volunteer hours with Tomahawk Lake, Island Lake, Robinson and George Lake – especially on busy weekends. To be eligible for grant funding there needs to be a public landing. These hours impact the grant the committee is pursuing. Pamela will check to see if lakes for sharing hours need to be specified in the grant application. Grants due December 10

6. Clean Boats Clean Waters Grant

Project Summary Hours

total CBCW volunteer hours: 540.75@\$12/hr. = \$6,489.00

total CBCW volunteer mileage: 606 @ \$.565 per mile = \$342.39

Town of Barnes Expenses: \$19,064.42

Volunteer Costs/Total Project costs = 26.4%

Town Expenses/Total Project costs = 73.6%

Total Paid Hours: 1664.2
Total Volunteer Hours: 353.8
Total Hours Spent: 2018.0
Boats Entering: 2123
Boats Leaving: 1485
Total People Contacted: 6069

Upper Eau Claire Lake Project

Total Volunteer Costs: \$4,938.00
Town Expenses: \$6,828.98
Barnes AIS Harvester Expenses: \$6,828.92
Total Project Costs: \$11,766.98
Volunteer Costs/Total Project costs = 42%
Town Expenses/Total Project costs=58%

7. Shoreline Monitor Hours –
drawing for the winners of the shoreline monitor: William Hoyer, Lloyd Pickering and Chris Neff
8. Progress on BAISS boat – Gus
Boat ready to be stored for the winter. Some work still needs to be done, bracket to be installed to strengthen the railing. Tom will check on safety of divers and the need for a vest
9. Divers for BAISS boat 2017 season
Need to hire divers. Bill Flood may be available but not on a permanent basis. Approximate pay for divers \$20.00 . Training for using the hoses and identifying the invasives, how to remove. Might Matt Berg be available for the training? Lee will ask Andrew Teal if he would be available/interested in training. volunteers will be needed on the boat when collecting milfoil, boaters/kayakers needed when collecting curly pond weed. Job description needs to be written and advertised on the Town website. Chris will look into a designated AIS fund in the town budget for depositing the donations made to the activities of AIS and investigate how the grant money is recorded.
10. Clean Boats Clean Waters Update- Sally
11. Matt Berg Survey Results (Tomahawk, Sandbar, George) – Ingemar, Gus, Lee
Tomahawk Lake – eurasian milfoil bed has expanded along the northern shoreline, the beach, and a new bed appeared in a pocket on the south shore. Sandbar Lake, the mill foil has expanded but it's dispersed around the lake. No milfoil found on George Lake. Reports prepared are filed at the Town of Barnes and will be available on the website
12. Established AIS Grant Application for Tomahawk and Sandbar Lakes-Pamela, Andy
Grant deadline February 1, 2017. Plan for point intercept survey, plan to treat the whole lake @Sandbar and Tomahawk. Include some costs for BAISS boat. Grant writing process needs

to get started, committee established: Lee, Gus, Susan, Ingemar, Pamela, Andy. Lee will send out an email to determine a meeting date. Town Board needs to pass a resolution for the grant application in November, Lee will attend the meeting.

13. Bayfield County AIS Coordinator Report - Andy Teal

ID Day Wednesday at the Visitors Center in Ashland, featuring students from Drummond who have gone through the LEEP program in Barnes sponsored by the FOECL

14. Next Meeting Date

next meeting will be April 10, 2017 at 6:30

15. Other Business

how to involve community member volunteers by remote connection – the Town does not subscribe to a service to enable this

Sally will attend the November Bayfield County AIS committee meeting– give recognition to Andy for supporting the Barnes AIS committee and attending many of our meetings

16. Adjourn

motion by Ingemar, seconded by Gus, motion passed

8:28

Submitted by Susan Jansen, secretary