



TOWN OF BARNES

NOTICE

AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, July 10, 2017

6:30 PM at the Barnes Town Office

AGENDA

1. Roll call and verification of public notice

Meeting called to order at 6:35

Attending: *Dave Pease, Sally Pease, Gus Gustafson, Andy Teal, Ingemar Ekstrom, Barb Romsted, Lee Wiesner, Jim Krook, Susan Jansen*

2. Approve the Agenda

motion made and seconded to approve agenda; motion approved

3. Approve the minutes of the previous meeting

motion made and seconded to approve minutes; motion approved

4. Communication

Ingemar – FOECLA sent money to town, Barb will check to see if the funds are deposited in the designated fund. Lee in communication with Matt Berg to arrange point intercept and litoral zone surveys on George(litoral only), Tomahawk, Sandbar, perhaps late August. Lee communicates with volunteers regarding CLP on the Upper. Reports from monitors on Middle state CLP found in many areas.

5. AIS Budget/Grant Balances/Sinking Fund – Barb

\$12,000 in Middle Eau Claire funds. Tomahawk will present challenge to come up with 25% match for this year, perhaps these hours can be spread out over the 3 years of the grant. Focus now will be on finding volunteers for hours on Tomahawk.

6. Clean Boats Clean Waters – Sally

Having a difficult time getting volunteers for afternoon hours on Middle. Sally will have display at the FOECLA annual meeting, looking to sign up more volunteers. Sally will also set up her display at future FOECLA lectures. Gene Miller is working on the Google calendar for signing up and scheduling CBCW volunteers. . Next meeting: look at the volunteer hours to assess the hour numbers

7. BAISS Boat Efforts on CLP

Future project – develop a map of CLP on Middle and/or Upper for distribution. what is the best use of the brochures remaining. Educational display, BAISS Boat for the FOECLA annual meeting July 15 – Ingemar and Gus will bring the Boat, and offer brochures for folks who are interested. Hose reel

installed on the boat, volunteers scheduled for same day each week. CLP now in decline and harvesting efforts called for this summer. Looking into future, Andy may have to train for plant identification with milfoil. If we can find enough divers, a second shift for harvesting may be possible. Boat will be available for Tomahawk and Sandbar if needed. Goal for next year is to harvest as much CLP as we can, focusing more on control rather than eradication.

8. Divers for BAISS boat

Another diver has been recommended to work on harvesting. Next spring, Fritz able to begin working earlier, perhaps organizing around May 20. Fritz experienced some physical issues with the air supply, and research needed to find a response. Andy will look into the air issue – air mix, pressure, depth, difference between hooka tank vs air supply. More frequent breaks might be needed. Lee will contact DASH Boat company to inquire about diving issues.

9. Status of Tomahawk and Sand Bar Lake Treatment – Gus, Ingemar

Gus looked for 2 hours around Tomahawk landing, and did not see any milfoil. This time, not sure of the treatment impact on native plants.

10. Fourth of July Parade

Over 380-390 brochures distributed during the 4th of July parade, bobbers were distributed also.

11. Surveys of Tomahawk, Sand Bar, George, Middle and Upper

Matt Berg to arrange point intercept and littoral zone surveys on George(littoral only), Tomahawk, Sandbar, perhaps late August.

12. Bayfield County AIS Coordinator Report – Andy Teal

As part of BAISS Boat project, Andy nominated the Town of Barnes AIS Committee and the FOECLA for Invader Crusader Award and both groups were recognized. AIS Snapshot Day, August 5 or 6, now includes lakes, and sites need to be within 20 minutes driving. Volunteer paired, the time commitment is 4 hours. Lakes nominated: Bony, Robinson, Island, George, Pickerel. Start time 9, wrap up about 1:00 at the Barnes Town Hall. Andy will look for volunteers at the annual FOECLA meeting. Attendance at the Northwest Lakes Conference down from Bayfield county, but Barnes was well represented.

13. Next Meeting Date – August 14, beginning at 6:30

14. Adjourn – motion made and seconded, motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:05

Submitted by Susan Jansen, secretary

POSSIBLE BOARD GATHERING

Three or more Members of the Town Board might be in attendance at this meeting. The additional Board members are there for information-gathering only; no Board actions will occur.

Barnes Town Office and Town Hall are handicap accessible.

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