APPROVED MINUTES OF MONDAY NOVEMBER 6, 2023 6PM
WHITE POTATO LAKE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS
BRAZEAU TOWN HALL
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This is an open quarterly meeting of the Commissioners of the White Potato Lake District.

Notice of this meeting was given to the public at least 24 hours prior to the meeting, by forwarding the complete agenda to the town of Brazeau and by posting to public bulletin boards at the Brazeau Town Hall, Rescue building and the WPL Sanitary building on Walkers Bay Rd. Copies of the complete agenda are available for inspection at the Brazeau Town Hall or the Lake District website: https://www.wpldistrict.org

1. Call to order – at 6 pm chair Wittmann called the meeting to order
2. Roll Call – present Williams, Schaefer, Schneider, Kneibel, Wittmann, others present Steve Heimerman, Ken Dolata, John Jensema, Christine Jensema, Laurie VanDenElzen, James Rock, Dan VanStraten, Fred Rosner, Sue Belleau, Mark Wildenberg, Vicki Jensema, Bob Jensema, Dennis Schaefer
3. Adoption of agenda – motion by Williams, second by Schaefer to adopt the agenda as presented. Passed 5-0
4. Minutes from Sept 2, 2023- this was not acted on because it has to be done at the annual membership meeting.
5. Treasurers report – no report given because nothing has changed or deposited
6. Comments from the public – Dennis Schaefer recommended to the board that we add the Pledge of Allegiance to our agenda
7. Committee reports – none
8. Discussion items
   A. Annual membership meeting venue – Wittmann explained that after the membership meeting the commissioners had a training session with the Oconto County clerk and we learned we have to keep our meeting location consistent and in Oconto County. Therefore, we need to keep it at the Brazeau Town Hall.
9. Action items
   A. Lake management plan and goals prioritization – Commissioners went through all the goals that were in the Lake Management Plan and prioritized what they thought were the most important that we could start working on in the next year. The board realizes that all goals are important and need to be worked on. The goals that stood out and can be worked on (in order of importance) are: Goal 2- Maintain a diverse and robust native aquatic plant community free of invasive species. Goal 1- White Potato Lake will maintain a healthy, well balanced sport fishery. Goal 8- Increase participation in lake stewardship. Goal 6- Maintain or improve water quality in White

Potato Lake. Goal 3- Sensitive areas in White Potato Lake, which provide essential habitat and/ or water quality benefits, will be protected.

B. Committee formation – motion by Williams second Kneibel to form these committees. AIS committee, Policy and Procedures committee, Grant Committee, Communications Committee, Fisheries Committee. Motion passed 5 – 0. These committees are to come back with a list of people that will be on that committee. It was recommended that all committee meetings must be posted, minutes taken and open to the public.

C. Committee direction – motion by Williams second Schaefer to direct committees to look at the goals and actions, come back to us with their recommendations on a plan to get them done and if there is any budget needs they might have.

   1. Fisheries Committee – keep working with the Sportsman's Club and objective 1.2 Continue to manage for a healthy balance of predator and panfish populations and to also help evaluate musky planting pros and cons.
   2. AIS Committee – look at goals in management plan and give us a recommendation on what is ongoing and also doable moving forward
   3. Grants Committee – to get 3 people and look at the understanding of grants and recommendations to the district to build capability and capacity to receive grants.
   4. Policy and Procedure Committee – to review voting instructions and owner verification at the annual meeting.
   5. Communications Committee – to evaluate and recommend methods of communication and potential budget for website, Facebook, newsletter, electronic newsletter, text etc.

   Motion passed 5 – 0

D. Insurance – Williams reported that we are still getting quotes so they are equal coverages on each proposal. We had 2 quotes and there was such a big difference and coverages were not the same. We are out for bid with several other companies and because of underwriting they have not come back yet. We should have information back for our next meeting.

E. Information distribution – communications committee to come back with recommendations at next meeting.

10. Items for next agenda – committee reports and minutes for meetings
11. Next meeting proposed Jan 8, 2024 – this day was agreed with all commissioners
12. Adjournment motion by Williams second by Schneider to adjourn. Motion passed 5-0

Submitted by Williams 11/22/2023