

# Bone Lake Commissioners Meeting

**Saturday March 28, 2015 FINAL, Georgetown Hall**

Present:

Bob Murphy  
Phil Foster  
Bob Boyd  
Mike Musial  
Karen Engelbretson  
Patricia Schmidt, Polk County  
Wayne Shirley, Bone Lake  
Andy Brown, Bone Lake  
John Molamphy, Georgetown  
Cheryl Clemens, Harmony Environmental  
Bob Singer  
Sherri Singer

**The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.**

Minutes for September 13 and November 15 meetings were read and approved as final.

## **Treasurer Report**

Phil Foster presented the BLMD Income Statement and Projected Budget for 10/1/2014 through 9/30/2015. Cash balance February 28, 2015 \$209,822.43.

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report, carried.

## **Core Study**

Bob Boyd presented the Bone Lake Sediment Core Study Executive Summary that shows:

- More tests on the sample are needed to determine internal loading and historical presence of cyanobacteria
- Recent management practices are working to reduce sediment
- Algae present is not much different than the year 1830
- Top 4 cm of sediment is nutrient rich and easily enters water column due to weather, wind, runoff, boat traffic
- The Executive Summary and 24-page report are to be uploaded to [bonelakewi.com](http://bonelakewi.com).

## **Lake Management Plan**

Cheryl Clemens, Harmony Environmental presented the Lake Management Plan (LMP) implementation plan, tactics to reach goals & objectives. In April the complete plan will be available, followed by outreach and public notice of plan for review.

Cheryl also presented a grants report of new, pending, and completed grants. Every activity in the LMP is covered by grants for three years.

Phil Foster conducted a brainstorming session for communication to property owners on condition of lake and the LMP. Suggestions included:

- The lake depends on you
- Without action the lake gets worse
- Protect your investment
- Impact of waterfront runoff
- Long term stewardship focus
- Native vegetation critical for wildlife habitat
- Use visuals of good vs. bad water quality
- Leaders make a difference
- Learn about barriers to changing behavior
- Cite benefits of desired outcome
- Have a hotline – one person to call to make it simple

### **Committee Reports**

Fisheries, Bob Boyd.  
See page 6 of LMP

Testing and Evaluation, Bob Boyd  
Conducting water sampling to determine impact of nitrogen on algae as part of lake internal loading.

AIS, Bob Boyd

- Rusty Crayfish are in the creek but not in the lake. Remind property owners to watch for Rustys.
- CLP grant to Lake Restoration to treat approximately 30 acres, same areas. Steve Schieffer measures, checks natives and turions.
- Cameras N: 3970 launches, S: 697 launches. Need something different for data transmission.
- Boat launch monitors are now of college age, most are kids and grandkids of Bone Lake property owners.

Communications, Karen Engelbretson

Spring newsletter schedule provided. Facebook page now has over 100 members with regular postings.

Wildlife and Natural Beauty, Karen Engelbretson

The proposed no wake zone at the north end in front of DNR property was described. GPS readings were taken by the committee over the ice in March with the help of Bob Boyd.

Watershed, Phil Foster

250<sup>th</sup> project complete on the Vilstrup/Christensen property. Testing culverts. No new projects identified yet.

Waterfront Runoff, Phil Foster

Letter sent in November 2014 generated interest from 25-50 properties. \$1000 Septic incentives again thi year.

Social, Phil Foster

- Spring event May 2. Committees should bring informational displays.
- 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade planned by Wilkins

Boating & Safety, Mike Musial

- A training session can be held for certification, or website certification
- Will need six new buoys
- Buoys to be put in before fishing opener
- Wayne Schneider can no longer do south landing dock, dock needs work, Mike will find solutions

### **New Business**

Sherri Singer compared sediment removal from lagoon to watershed projects.

After internal loading studies are completed there may be some alternatives for help with dredging.

Motion for \$1000 to Lions Club for north landing maintenance, carried.

Motion to sponsor Karen Engelbretson's registration and hotel expenses to attend the Wisconsin Lakes convention, carried.

Motion to approve Andy Brown as Town of Bone Lake liaison to Bone Lake Management District, carried

Meeting adjourned 12:00 noon

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Engelbretson  
Secretary  
Bone Lake Management District  
June 1, 2015