## LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD - PRATT LAKE

## Meeting Minutes Held at Sage Township Hall July 18, 2023

Meeting called to order by Terry Walters at 6:31p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Terry Walters.

Present: Terry Walters, Craig Mills, Chris Meissner, Ron Taylor, and Lucy Zeestraten.

Absent: Renee Zelt

Additions to the Agenda: motion to amend the agenda to discuss the assessment by Craig Mills. Second by Ron Taylor by putting number 4 under new business. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion to approve June 20, 2023, minutes made by Craig Mills, Seconded by Ron Taylor. All in favor, motion carried.

Account ledger received and filed.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Ron asked what was Ray's best guess between now and the end of the year for treatment? Ray stated that maybe double from what the last treatment was. The last treatment was \$2,778.00. Ray is suggestion doing spot treatment for Stary Stone wart. That's a high cost per acre. This year we just used the contact. Combined with a secondary treatment so you're only coming out once instead of 3 times. Ray thinks the assessment should remain the same. Keep the course that you are at. You will be able to deal with a lot of contingences that might come up. Chris commented that now with the low water levels there are more weeds on the shore. Ray looks at where do people have the hardest time getting out. Its usually the shallow areas and the corners where the wind blow things. They fragment and grow and now you have a problem. Those areas you have to stay on top of. You will have that growth further into the lake because now we have areas that were that were 8ft deep and now they are 5 or 7ft deep. The sunlight will warm up the water and promote growth. He hasn't heard from the people on the lake. Ray believes we keep treating the lake the way they have been. Ron Taylor asked if we were on a 5yr assessment. Ray states this is the end of the 5yrs. There was discussing on keeping it a 5yr assessment. Ray will get out on the lake and look. A lot of miniature lily pads. They look like mini footballs. They must be targeted specifically. Chris had received a call from a property owner wanting to know if the cattails could be treated. Chris informed them that we have never treated them before. Chris asked Ray if the cattails had ever been treated. Ray stated no. You would have to get a amendment to the permit to do that. There is certain area that can't be treated because of the Loon nests. There was more discussion on the cattails.

Motion to have a public hearing to make the assessment the same for 5 years by Ron Taylor. Seconded by Chris Meissner. All in favor. Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

## **COMMENTS:**

A Motion to adjourn was made by Ron Taylor, 2nd by Craig Mills. All in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:47p.m.

Respectfully submitted. Lucy Zeestraten, Secretary