

LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD – WIGGINS LAKE
Held at Sage Township Hall
July 18, 2023

Meeting called to order by Mike Rajt at 6:59p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Mike Rajt

Present: Mike Rajt, Rick Dvorak, Ron Taylor, and Terry Walters.

Also Present: Lucy Zeestraten, Mike Pichla from PLM and Rick Buteyn Progressive AE

Absent: Renee Zelt

Additions to the agenda: None

Correspondence:

Motion to approve June 20, 2023, minutes by: Rick Dvorak, Seconded by Ron Taylor. All in favor.
Motion carried.

Received and file account ledger. There was a question about a permit fee not being paid. Lucy stated that it had been paid and taken care of. Mike asked Rick if it reflected the June treatment. Rick stated probably not, and the treatment was \$6,542.94.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mike asked Rick to clear up the swimming restriction on the lake with treatment. Rick stated that the areas that have treatment right in front of their property and 100 feet from those areas get a sign in their yard. The signs will have the restriction on them. Regarding swimming or arrogation. For most treatments there is a 24-hour swimming restriction but that's for Non-Aldersyde Herbicides. There just Copper being used so there is no reason for restrictions. The state (EGLE) requires a 24hour restriction. Mike asked that it's only the areas that are treated and Rick stated that is correct. Mike asked how many acres were treated. Rick 10 or 11 acres. The restriction is more so that the herbicide isn't moved from where it was applied. There was more discussion about the restrictions.

The lake was survey today. As they went around the lake, they are seeing a lot of Wild Celery but not super tall yet. Water Stary Grass that grows up near shore. This is a native planet and benefits the lake, so they don't treat it. Doesn't respond to herbicide. There are a couple areas with Asin Milfoil that will need treatment as well as a couple of areas of Wild Celery. The algae in the South Bay have looked worse in the past. That will be treated next week along with the other areas that require herbicide treatment. They will forward with the mechanical harvesting of the lake. That will only be in selected areas to improve navigation and reduce the number of floaters. That will take place Thursday and Friday next week. It is recommended to push the floats that are near the shore out into the lake to be scooped up. The Phoslock treatment is being successful they are seeing less algae than last year. South Bay will treat one more time after this last algae treatment. Progressive asked PLM to get a permit for Turtle Bay because they are seeing more algae growth. It's about 4 ½ areas. This will cost about \$1,500.00. Motion to authorize the Phoslock treatment in Turtle Bay starting now by Mike Rajt. Seconded by Rick Dvorak. All in favor. Motion carried. Someone asked if the harvesting was mapped yet, and Rick stated that he just mapped it out.

Mike hasn't had any reports that wake boats being used in wake boat mode in the areas that were marked on a map that Rick gave Mike. Rick stated the people should navigate in the area off of Peace

Haven and Nipigon. There is bunch of Stoney Star Wort. This will be treated on the next treatment. Someone asked if they should still stay out of South Bay. Rick stated yes if possible.

OLD BUSINESS:

Motion to adjourn was made by Terry Walters, supported by Rick Dvorak.
All in favor, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15p.m.

Respectfully submitted.
Lucy Zeestraten, Secretary,