## LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD – WIGGINS LAKE Held at Sage Township Hall August 15, 2023

Meeting called to order by Mike Rajt at 7:00p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Mike Rajt

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

Also Present: Kathy Mills, Mike Pichla from PLM and Rick Buteyn Progressive AE

Absent: Renee Zelt

Additions to the agenda: None

Correspondence: Mike Rajt received and invoice from PLM for algae treatment and treatment for the Stary Stone Wart in the amount of \$3,250.97. Added to the balance its \$29,695.98.

Motion to approve July 18, 2023, minutes by: Ron Taylor, Seconded by Rick Dvorak. All in favor. Motion carried.

Received and file account ledger.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Rick Buteyn passed out treatment maps and journal. Rick gives his remote on the condition of the lake. The lake is in really good shape. For the majority of the survey the lake is really clear. The only area that's cloudy is out where the river is coming in. That is typically especially after a rain. The algae is not to bad. Found a new area of Stary Stone Wart. There is a little bit of Asian Milfoil regrowth. Not enough to treat this late in the season. There will be a small treatment on the Stary Stone Wart and algae. The areas where the Phoslock was done are looking good. Turtle Bay is looking good after the Phoslock treatment. Little bit of algae on the bottom no huge floating mats. Over all conditions have improved. South Bay is looking pretty good. A little bit of algae. The Stary Stone Wart treatments are working as intended. It really browned it up and burned it down. That helps from spreading it around. Those areas will be treated earlier in the year. It will depend on the growth pattern; how harsh the winter is and how warm the spring is. How big of the area we have of Stary Stone Wart currently? The new area is about an acre. Mike asked that the price on that is \$275.00 an acre? Rick said yes. Mike asked how much algae are they looking at treating? Rick stated about 10 acres. Mike asked if that is \$35.00 an acre? Rick answered yes. Mike states we are looking at a bill under \$1,000.00. Rick said yes that's the plan.

As far as Stary Stone Wart as treatments does that kill the plant or just nock it down and it grows back. Stary Stone Wart is a macro-alga so it doesn't have roots. We can't kill it to the roots. We can kill as much as the biomass as we can. Its similar to native plant called Karra that grows on the bottom. It burns it down with cooper products. You will see more growth if you have a light winter and a hot sunny summer vs a long cool spring fallowing a hard winter.

## **OLD BUSINESS:** None

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:06p.m. Respectfully submitted. Lucy Zeestraten, Secretary,