

**DUCK LAKE**  
**LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

A meeting of the Duck Lake, Lake Improvement Board was held at the Crystal Community Center, 217 West Park Street, Crystal, Michigan on the 10th day of January 2022.

**PRESENT:** Dick Walthorn, Chairman  
Crystal Township Representative

David Wight, Secretary & Treasurer  
Abutting Property Owners Representative

Chris Johnston, Vice Chairman  
Montcalm County Board of Commissioners

Todd Sattler,  
Montcalm County Drain Commissioner

**ABSENT:** Tony Spalsbury, Member  
Crystal Township Representative

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Dick Walthorn at 7:00 PM.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Chris moved to approve the agenda, seconded by David.  
All members present voted aye, motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chris moved to approve the minutes of the October 11<sup>th</sup> and the October 27<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting, motion seconded by David.  
All members present voted aye, motion carried.

**TREASURER REPORT**

David noted that we have \$82,505.88 in our account..  
Motioned by Chris to accept the Treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Dick.  
All members present voted aye, motion carried

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

The public was given an opportunity to address the board.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Letter received from Mary Cooley regarding a desire to have the board update our 5 year plan.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chris motioned to nominate the current board officers to their current positions for 2022, David seconded the motion. David then motioned to approve the motion by acclamation. Roll call vote was requested. All members present voted aye, motion carried.

### SET MEETING SCHEDULE DATES FOR 2022

Dick explained how the dates are chosen being the first Monday after the first Tuesday of each quarter. This sets the dates for our regular meetings as 7:00 PM on:

January 10<sup>th</sup> 2022

April 11<sup>th</sup> 2022

July 11<sup>th</sup> 2022

October 10<sup>th</sup> 2022

January 9<sup>th</sup> 2023

David moved to approve the meeting dates for 2022, Todd seconded the motion. All members present voted aye, motion carried.

### 2022 WEED TREATMENT CONTRACT & AN EXPANDED PERMIT FOR NATIVES

David explained after getting more involved with the permitting process that it has become clear that we cannot go anywhere on the lake to treat invasive weeds, and we cannot treat native weeds under the standard permit. The permit calls out for treating invasives in the area submitted with the permit which makes the submitted map as the guiding item when providing herbicide treatments. This year we will be requesting the applicator to apply for an expanded permit that also includes the treatment of native weeds in a specified area at the east end of the lake. After an extensive discussion Chris motioned to authorize the Chairman to sign a one year contract with S&R for herbicide weed treatments for an amount not to exceed \$35,000, Todd seconded the motion.

All members present voted aye, motion carried.

### WEED HARVESTING CONTRACT

David motioned to authorize the Chairman to sign a one year contract with PLM for the harvesting of weeds in Duck Lake for an amount not to exceed \$10,000, Todd seconded the motion.

All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

### LAKE MANAGEMENT/ASSESSMENT CONTRACT

David motioned to authorize the Chairman to sign a one year contract with PLM for an engineering assessment of the lake to include water quality measurements, weed surveys, and an a proposed update to our 5 year plan, Chris seconded the motion.

All members present voted aye, motion carried.

### REVIEW OF PROPOSED SURVEY

David received several comments about the draft survey and it was requested that a date to return the survey should be added to the document.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

The public was allowed time to address the Board.

ADJOURN

Chris motioned to adjourn, David seconded the motion.  
All members present voted aye. Meeting adjourned.

State of Michigan )  
                         ) ss:  
County of Montcalm )

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the minutes of a meeting of the Duck Lake Improvement Board, Montcalm County, Michigan held on January 10th, 2022 and that said minutes are on file at the Crystal Township Office and are available to the public.

I further certify that notice of the meeting was posted at least 18 hours before the meeting at the Crystal Township Office, which is the principal office of the Duck Lake, Lake Improvement Board.



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David Wight, Secretary/Treasurer  
Dated: January 11, 2022