

FIVE LAKES ASSOCIATION OCTOBER 14, 2013
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

1. Meeting called to order
2. Pledge of allegiance
3. Roll call
Present: Southworth, Greenfield, Newberry, Chamberlain,
McFall, Church
Absent: Bellah, Verardi
4. Bre Grabill, Northern MI Manager, PLM presented the 2013
Lake Management and Weed Control Report.

Pockets of Variable Leaf Milfoil (VLM) remain, but fair less than previous years. The Spring, 2014 lake survey will reveal extent of VLM pockets.

In Spring, 2013 Watershed Lake Mgmt Committee requested PLM to review utilizing less expensive systemic chemicals Sculpin G Renovate 3 and Renovate OTF to effect budget control.

Discussion of Systemic and Contact chemicals utilized to manage, control native and non-native invasive weeds. Systemic chemicals are supposed to kill, weaken the root system. Contact chemicals are a temporary control of native and non-native invasive weeds.

Dave Southworth, Five Lakes Association Watershed Lake Management Committee Chairperson stated: in 2013 we began a new weed treatment review process as follows:

1. PLM will conduct a lake survey
2. PLM will develop the weed treatment plan
3. PLM will develop a budget for the recommended plan
4. PLM will meet with Board members at Chairperson Southworth's home. PLM will present lake survey, weed treatment plan, treatment budget. Board members will review, question survey, treatment plan and budget for adjustment and approval.

Southworth commented it is our goal to control, manage, reduce VLM. In 2014 we will focus on identifying possibilities of reducing our weed treatment budget. To this end during the winter break I am committed to drafting a Watershed Lake Mgmt, Weed Treatment Budget Control and Renewal Plan. The plan will be presented to Board April, 2014.

5. President introduced guest speaker Paul Hausler, Senior Water Resources Specialist with Progressive AE. Paul talked about the possible effects of a winter lake drawdown.

Ralph Greenfield, Project Leader for a winter lake drawdown will present his research results at the November, 11th Board meeting.

6. Bob McFall presented information concerning a dead 65" ash tree on his property line and the south side of the Association's swimming beach south property line. Subsequently members of Bobs family cut the tree down.
7. Discussion of a Special Assessment District (SAD). Further review required. Board members will vote on a SAD during the November 11th Board meeting.

Board meeting was briefly opened for public comments.

8. Area Rep reports.
There was no activity to report by Chamberlain, Church, McFall.
9. Treasurer's report
10. Audience comments
11. Meeting adjourned