

Newman Lake Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

April 23, 2018

Attendees:

AB Members: Karen Stebbins-Chair, Lee Tate, Karen Taff, Dennis Rewinkel, Suzanne O'Connell

Chair acknowledged quorum present.

Motions:

1. Approval of revised 2/22/18 AB minutes, which are a direct derivative of the meeting's audio, that AB chair will submit to Colleen to replace the current version of the 2/22/18 AB minutes that are now on the link. Vote: 5/0 PASS
2. Approval of April 9, 2018 AB minutes. Vote: 5/0 PASS
3. Lee will contact Chad by phone to discuss setting up meetings with Karen S. and Lee to discuss AB's needs with Colleen. Goal is to have 1st meeting this week. They will share that AB has approved Dennis as the AB Representative pertaining to the prioritization of maintenance issues discussions with Colleen. Vote: 5/0 PASS
4. Approval of eight NLFCZD Representation Areas and the revised map with a title. Vote: 5/0 PASS
5. AB chair will send out our first email communication to members of our 8 Representation Areas the week of April 24th, 2018, if possible, informing them of our Summer Meeting. Vote: 5/0 PASS
6. AB will add the 2 following statements to our Bylaws: Vote: 5/0 PASS
 1. If email being sent out is for entire contingency then that email will be sent out by AB Chair, with CC sent to rest of AB.
 2. If one AB member is sending out an email to only her/his contingency, then all other AB members will be sent a CC.
7. AB chair will send a formal documented correspondence to Colleen pertaining to the input of alum when water is at a high level and flowing out through the ditch taking the alum with it. AB is not aware of this being done before. Vote: 5/0 PASS

Tasks Assigned With Update For Next Meeting:

- AB members have been assigned a topic(s) to present at Summer Meeting from the list that Lee presented to AB at this meeting.
- Each AB member is to do an outline of topic so we can detect any overlaps and if time allocated needs to be changed. Lee suggested 4-5 bullets.
- Email one's outline to AB members so all can review to see if any additions/changes need to be made, i.e. overlap of topics, other suggested changes. Be ready to discuss at next meeting.
- If any handouts needed for your presentation make this known to AB.
- Dennis will try and have a couple volunteers to be at a table to help anyone who doesn't know how to look up their parcel on the county website.

Topics Discussed: (plus those above)

- Summer meeting suggestions: Get to know what community members want, inform topics before we ask their opinion, get pulse from attendees as to what they would like AB to focus on, community needs to know where their dollars are being spent, concern that we DO NOT attempt to solve issues at this meeting, want community members as they leave to say "I need to do something to improve the quality of the lake".
- Annual Budget Flow and Budget Sections: This task was assigned to be discussed at today's meeting but time ran out. Possibly will be on the next AB agenda. Lee previously asked AB to review and be ready to discuss the handouts. Lee stated that the board will be asked to approve the budget and we don't have sufficient knowledge to contribute much for 2019. Dennis shared that with reserves at near zero, and a growing backlog of equipment maintenance coming due, a revision to the assessment base to increase funding is vital.
- By-laws. Karen S. received phone call from Ron who was complimentary on the revised by-laws except he shared that AB cannot define the relationship between the District and AB. The AB can't tell the District what they can or cannot do. Pertaining to Section V. MEETINGS, Karen S. will redo the paragraph beginning "District staff is welcome to attend any Board meeting". Ron felt the BOCC wouldn't approve.
- An AB meeting has been set up by the County on May 24. Question is does County set dates for AB meetings or does AB? Lee would like AB Chair to clarify Colleen's purpose for requesting this board meeting when we are meeting that week already. AB has concern that County sets up meeting's date, time, agenda, and location without AB input.
- Dennis distributed handout NLFCZD Representation Areas 4/23/18 Draft #2. He shared that he turned the zones into parcel areas to help when a community member calls you with a question/concern.

- AB was concerned that the lake was filling up too fast. Staff was asked if snotel site had been checked. Answer was no but due to AB asking, Staff did check the snotel. AB appreciated that Staff responded and did open up the gate. The board is pleased that Staff reacted to its input.
- Assessment update from Dennis. Latest information from Kerns is that petitions/signatures are all in. 39 were bounced back, 15 of those have been corrected and sent back in but have not been reviewed as of yet. There will be a resolution adopted by BOCC on May 1, 2018 recognizing the receipt of our petitions 10 weeks before that. Asked Ron for update of last Monday's emergency meeting but due to litigation he is not allowed to share any information. Karen S. shared that she received a call from Ron whom shared there was an open meeting and an executive session. AB's motion was a huge sticking point with the BOCC where we asked them to rescind the petitions and to submit new petitions. Ron asked if AB would rescind our motion and let the process move forward as defined by law. AB Chair asked if knowing what we know now does AB still stand behind the letter sent requesting they rescind the petition and create a new one? 3-Yes, 1-No Karen S. did not vote.
- ZD Scope of Work: Dennis is still working on the scope of work and is about 60% done. Concern pertaining to work that maintenance is doing, i.e. trimming weeds, versus what work should be done. District needs to have maintenance working on a prioritized list of maintenance/repair items. Dennis shared grave concern pertaining to the pump and its need for repair work done. See Motion #3 above to help in completing needed maintenance work.