

WALLED LAKE
LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD MEETING MINUTES
September 24, 2013

The meeting of the Lake Improvement Board for Walled Lake was held at the Novi Civic Center at 45175 W. 10 Mile Road on September 24, 2013. The meeting was called to order by Dave Galloway, Chairman, at 4:01 p.m.

Present: Casey Ambrose, City of Walled Lake
Brian Coburn, Secretary-Treasurer, City of Novi
Kathy Crawford, Oakland County Board of Commissioners Representative
Dave Galloway, Chairman and Riparian Representative
Karen Warren, Oakland County Water Resource Commissioner's Office

Also

Present: Mark Roberts (Attorney, Secrest Wardle),

Chairman Galloway opened the meeting and then asked for Public Comment. There was no member of the public that spoke.

Moved by Coburn, Supported by Warren; CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To approve the Minutes of November 13, 2012 meeting.

Secretary-Treasurer Coburn presented the Treasurer's Reports for the fourth quarter of 2012 and first and second quarters of 2013. The balance on hand as of June 30, 2013 is \$96,980.85. He also included the approved 2013 budget for the benefit of the new board members.

Moved by Coburn, Supported by Warren; CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To accept the Treasurer's Reports as presented.

Secretary-Treasurer Coburn stated that the City is required to review and certify the delinquent assessments as required by the statute. He presented the delinquent assessments that were provided by the Treasurer of each City along with a copy of Resolution 3.

Moved by Coburn, Supported by Crawford; CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To certify the delinquent amounts, plus interest, to the City Assessor for each City for presentation to each City Council for placement on the winter tax roll for collection.

Galloway gave a brief history and background of the Lake Board progress for the new members. He showed the board the initial weed study from the engineering report as the starting point before the Lake Board began working to control the lake. He compared it to the most recent weed survey from 2012 to show that progress that has been made. Galloway explained that the Board has used a balanced approach between herbicide and harvesting to avoid some of the negative impacts that other lake boards had experienced, such as fish die off. Galloway explained that the natural vegetation is coming back now that the invasive milfoil has been addressed. Galloway

noted that harvesting may be necessary next year in the boat traffic areas to control some of the native plants. He also stated that there are still some areas that need to be addressed using an on-going management plan.

Galloway shared some additional information that he received from Michigan Lakes and Streams to show that there are some additional invasive weeds that the public should look for in the lake.

There was a discussion about what items should be included in the budget for 2014. Coburn noted that there is a large balance in the account, but Roberts said that the contingency in the statute is based on the average of the five year and any balance would be addressed at the end of the assessment period. Galloway noted that from his observations on the lake, there would be a mix of herbicide and harvesting proposed for next year.

Galloway stated that he would like another weed survey of the lake along with a new water quality survey, which had not been completed since the original study in 2009.

The Board discussed the contract with Savin. Roberts confirmed that the contract language allows the Board to extend the contract with Savin each year for the duration of the assessment period.

Coburn noted that he would prepare a draft budget for discussion by the Board at the next meeting based on the preliminary discussion at this meeting.

Ambrose shared his observation that the Board has improved since the Lake Board has started.

Chairman Galloway asked for Public Comment. There was no member of the public that spoke.

Coburn shared with the Board that the Resolution passed by the Novi City Council to establish the Lake Board contained a provision requiring a public hearing on the dissolution of the Board at the first available City Council meeting in January 2014.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Lake Board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:43 p.m.



Brian Coburn, Secretary-Treasurer