

HUBBARD COUNTY COALITION OF LAKE ASSOCIATIONS (HC COLA)

The Board of Directors Meeting – October 25, 2018, 6pm

Held at Northwoods Bank Community Room - Approved – 2-28-19

“HC COLA is the Leader in Protecting Hubbard County Lakes and Rivers for this and future generations.”

THANK YOU to the meeting hosts: Plantagenet, Potato and Stony.

1. Call to Order: Pass the microphone intros. Those present: **25** members present representing **18** lake associations, **4** guests.

2. Speaker: Area Fisheries Supervisor Doug Kingsley, MN DNR spoke about results of Dissolved Oxygen and Temperature sampling that some Lake Associations have been doing to monitor conditions for cold water fish species like Cisco. Doug also covered how that monitoring might be used to detect imminent summer fish kills or changes from increasing air temperatures or land use.

Speaker: William Lee, Water Quality Resource Specialist, Hubbard SWCD, shared highlights of the Deerview Road Drainage Improvement Project in Henrietta Township. Julie Kingsley discussed salt runoff. Information on salt and water quality is available at: <https://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/salt-and-water-quality>. One teaspoon of salt can contaminate 5 gallons of water. William’s presentation is available at: http://hubbardcolamn.org/uploads/3/4/5/6/34563649/deerview_presentation_pdf.pdf

3. Theora Goodrich – Restore the Shore Information. Order is due this evening. The nursery cannot fill tamarack orders this year.

4. Consent approval of the Agenda and September minutes (with correction). October treasurer’s report was presented and approved (Dan Kittilson/Deb Massey).

5. What’s New on Your Lake:

Stony Lake 330 acres, 120 properties on the lake with 86+ association members. Thirtieth anniversary of the lake association is coming up. No resorts, one public access, one public beach, one church camp. The association has been working with the church camp regarding increasing awareness of AIS.

Plantagenet has repaired their public access. It is now 12 feet wide and a solid concrete ramp.

6. Committee Reports & Info from Organizations HC COLA is a member of: These reports were provided as a handout and are available online at: http://hubbardcolamn.org/uploads/3/4/5/6/34563649/cr_2018_10_25.pdf

Chili Challenge: In the last 6 years, HC COLA has raised over \$15,000 to help the Food Shelf. The event is the 1st Wednesday in March. Monetary participation is needed. Suggest a form requesting donations, listing lake association. Moved/Carried (Lynn Goodrich/Wayne Swanson) that HC COLA should continue to participate.

Education Booklet: The DNR has asked if HC COLA is going to produce/update an educational booklet dealing with the lakes. It was suggested that this be explored over the winter, getting estimates and determining the scope of the project including format. Moved/Carried (Bob Berdahl/Wayne Swanson).

Eyes on the Water Survey: PLEASE RETURN.

7. Northwest MN Foundation & HC COLA Brochure/Grant Request Application.

The handout was reviewed. Moved/Carried (Lynn Goodrich/Wayne Swanson) to proceed with the following wording modifications: “Requested funds must be spent in the year requested” be changed to “Requested funds must be spent in the year awarded” and both occurrences of the application deadline be changed from December 15, 2018 to February 15, 2019.

Next Meeting is: Thursday February 28, 2019. Mtg at 6 pm, Northwoods Bank Community Room. Host lakes: Long, Boulder and Portage. Presenter will be Julia Dickie of Northwoods Wildlife Rescue; topic “Northwoods Wildlife Awareness & Rescue”.

Motion to adjourn. Adjourned at 7:55pm. Deb Massey - HC COLA Secretary