

**10/31/20 Meeting Minutes**, 2 hour total length. Minutes are a condensed version of the meeting, but the Zoom recording can be found here:

[11th CW L.A. Fall Meeting - Zoom](#), passcode h.aXj9C

### **Bridge Update – Jerry Hertaus**

Legislators not able to get to tour our culvert location due to Covid and timing. MN Bonding bill requires 2/3 vote to be approved. Jerry had meeting with local Senator Utke to look at culvert up close. They introduced legislation to add \$2.4M to the existing \$1.6M that MnDOT has budgeted. The funding was approved with a total of \$4M towards this project. MnDOT does not want earmarks, so there is was an agreement in negotiations to remove the earmarks. Jerry had a meeting with Commissioner Kelliher that we have the funding to proceed.

Proposal was to have bridge with 20' min width and 8' height above waterline, 4-5' draft below waterline. There is some risk moving forward since there is no earmark on the additional funds. Discussed the many positives of this upgrade including likely increase in property values.

Jerry had met with Commissioner Kelliher one on one. Jerry prefers an abutment style bridge with a simple opening and channel. Widespread agreement that Jerry has gone above and beyond with trying to move this forward. Agreed to send out a thank you from members. Some discussion about dredging concerns with a bridge or a culvert (culvert being a bigger risk).

Some concerns from Pixie Point and Kim about more boat traffic, potential erosion, etc. Also some discussion around speed through the culvert/bridge and also shore angler safety around a potential upgraded structure. The group looked at the Hubbard Cty website for property locations/potential bridge location.

We talked about dust going in the lake from the ATV trail on the west side of Hwy 64. The ATV club had added pea gravel to the first property on the SE side of the west basin, so that is a possibility for the rest of the trail. More to come as the project moves forward.

### **Spring Meeting Minutes:**

Motion to approve Ken Emmeck, Second from Kim. Minutes approved

### **Treasurer Report:**

Cash: \$5075

General:\$ 5204

Income: \$1940

Lake Testing: \$425

COLA: \$232

Newsletter: \$169.52

AIS: -\$129

Income: \$260

Discussion about setting up Venmo to directly add funds to the CW association website. We'd need someone to help set that up.

### **Pre-Approve Boat Inspection Funds:**

Motion to pre-approve \$924 for funding additional hours. Motion to approve up to \$1100 (if hourly rate goes up) by Pam Raden. Second by John Paasonen. Motion approved

### **Ken Emmeck – Water Quality Update:**

Very windy this year, might have affected the readings to be 1-1.5' less on Secci disk. No 20' readings this year. Ken commented the color of the water is different between basins but the Secci disk was similar or the same. He

is continuing to take water quality samples. Agreed to do Velliger sampling every year for the short term, \$180 cost to the L.A.

**Updated Address List:** Discussed getting updated address list for mailing from COLA or through the Hubbard Cty Tax records. Josh Kietzman volunteered to help update the list

**CLP:** Some CLP seen in West basin west of Tom Sandberg. Rich confirmed this. He did not have much CLP in front of his house, most of it is to the west. Not as much on the east basin. We also talked extensively about the invasive snails, likely came from an aquarium.

**Outlet of 11th:** The fish grates were removed in early summer with Government approval/action. Scott to take pictures in fall or spring to show to the L.A.

**Discussion with Other Crow Wing Lake Associations:** Some discussion from whether there is any risk in talking with downstream associations regarding our bridge/culvert actions. Agreed all of the information is already available online, so there is little risk of releasing info. Scott to talk with Jerry before agreeing to meet with them. If no objections there, Scott will attend the meeting but will be careful about this topic.

**Spring Meeting Location/Time:** Agreed to meet on May 22<sup>nd</sup> with a Zoom meeting (in between fishing opener and Memorial)

**New Business:** Pam Raden discussed VRBO on the west side of the lake (north side of Solie Bay). Just some general discussion about how some customers can hold parties and some general concern. This might be something to consider in the future, if there is anything that can be done, lake association position, etc.

Submitted by Scott Solberg