HILAND LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD
OCTOBER 18, 2023
MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Brennan at 3:04 PM. The meeting was held with board members present in person. The meeting was held subject to the requirements of the Open Meetings Act, as amended by 2020 PA 228, and was noticed in accordance with the Open Meetings Act (P.A. 1976. No. 267).

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dennis Brennan, Mitch Dempsey, Valerie Niemiec
MEMBERS ABSENT: Frank Sample, with notice

CALL TO PUBLIC: Opened at 3:05 PM. No public in attendance. Closed at 3:05 PM

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Dempsey and supported by Niemiec to approve the agenda as amended. MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Dempsey and supported by Niemiec to approve the 2/28/23 Meeting Minutes as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

1. *Appoint lake association representative to this Board:* At a meeting on 9/17/23, the HLPOA Board designated Mark Haddlesey as their representative to this HLIB. We thank Charlie Gabbard for his service, and welcome Mark. **A motion was made by Dempsey and supported by Niemiec to appoint Mark Haddlesey as the lake representative to this Board. MOTION CARRIED.** HLPOA 9/17/23 meeting minutes are attached with this document.
2. *Discuss process for calling for weed control and algicide services:* To resolve any confusion among the Board, the lake consultant, and our service providers, **a Motion was made by Niemiec and supported by Dempsey to grant Chair Brennan authority to order additional lake chemical treatments and/or harvesting, within budget, after collaborating with the treatment provider and the lake consultant. MOTION CARRIED.** The Board will send communication to service providers, prior to the 2024 treatment season, clarifying mutual Board and lake consultant authority.
3. *Discuss discovery of new weed problem (hybrid pondweed):* In late September, a new invasive was discovered by lake residents in the Association Bay, in the area previously treated with DASH weed removal. Following review of a proposal from Kieser and Associates for services related to this discovery, the Board discussed opportunities for lake consultant participation in problem solving regarding occurrences outside of scheduled LakeScan events. **A Motion was made by Niemiec and supported by Dempsey to clearly articulate expectations of the lake consultant in the 2024 contract.**
4. *Approve next step(s) in treatment of hybrid pondweed:* Per motion in Item 2, Brennan will contact the herbicide provider and direct immediate treatment.

SECOND CALL TO PUBLIC: Opened and closed at 4:48 PM

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Brennan and supported by Haddlesey to adjourn at 4:48 PM. MOTION CARRIED.

Submitted by: Valerie Niemiec, Secretary